



MARGARET RIVER



2010 International Wine Challenge

The world's most prestigious and influential independent wine competition – the International Wine Challenge (IWC) – announces the results of the 27th Challenge at the London International Wine Fair (LIWF). With a record number of 46 wine producing countries entering the 2010 Challenge, the competition enjoyed a 15% increase in entries year on year with standards higher than ever. Of the 4,026 medals awarded there were 326 Golds, up 14% on last year, 1,445 Silvers, up 14% and 2,255 Bronzes 9% up on 2009. Also 3301 wines were commended, up 26% year on year.

France takes poll position, retaining its No.1 nation status with 75 Gold medals and an impressive 947 medal haul. The top three Gold medal countries have mirrored 2009 with Australia second to France with 65 and Portugal third collecting 35. The overall medal tally board also matched the previous year's results with France out front and Australia achieving 602 and Italy 394. Trophies will be announced on 30th June, 2010.

Wines are marked out of 100, with the following points corresponding to the relevant award: Gold 95 - 100, Silver 90 - 94, Bronze 85 - 89 and Commended 80 - 84. A full list of all winners is available on www.internationalwinechallenge.com



GOLD Clairault Semillon Sauvignon Blanc 2009

A tropical stunner. Medium intensity with a ripe grapefruit nose. Long and lingering on the palate with firm grapefruit, lemon and pear nectar. Long and absolutely delicious.



SILVER Clairault Sauvignon Blanc 2009

Grassy nose, a subtle yet pleasant example of Sauvignon Blanc. Elegant fruit with citrus notes and a long apple finish. Deliciously fresh and well-balanced. Lovely complexity of orange hinged with fruity-floral aromas. White peach and a touch of nuttiness on the palate with a long and elegant finish.



SILVER Clairault ESTATE Cabernet Sauvignon 2005

Ripe, sweet, berry aromas. Seamlessly integrated fruit : tannin : acid. Long flavoursome savoury finish. Needs time as still very fresh and youthful. Delicious.



BRONZE Clairault Cabernet Sauvignon 2007

Subtle nose. Palate of ripe fruit, good sweet, juicy fruit and lovely acidity. Attractive wine. Today wine.



COMMENDED Clairault Cabernet Merlot 2005

COMMENDED Clairault ESTATE Chardonnay 2007

