



OUTSTANDING SUCCESS FOR ARGENTINA AT THE 2022 DECANTER WORLD WINE AWARDS

Argentina enjoys a record-breaking year at the 2022 Decanter World Wine Awards

7 June: Full results from the Decanter World Wine Awards 2022 have been released today (7 June), and Argentina has recorded its best-ever results for Best in Show and Platinum wines awarded.

Now in its 19th year, the Decanter World Wine Awards (DWWA) is the world's largest and most influential wine competition, with unrivaled global reach. Judged by top wine experts from around the globe, DWWA is trusted internationally for its rigorous judging process.

As part of this process almost 250 expert judges, including 41 Masters of Wine and 13 Master Sommeliers, evaluated 18,244 wines from 54 countries at DWWA 2022, making it a record year for wines tasted.

Argentina won a total of 486 medals and had its best ever showing for top-scoring wines with four Best in Show and 13 Platinum medals awarded - all scoring 97 points.

Reinforcing the exceptional value to be found in the country, three out of Argentina's four Best in Show wins were awarded to value wines (up to £14.99) from Mendoza including **Pacheco Pereda, Estirpe Organic Fairtrade Cabernet Franc, Agrelo, Luján de Cuyo 2021, Morrisons, The Best Gran Montaña Reserve Malbec, Uco Valley 2020** and **Finca Sopenia, Altosur Malbec, Gualtallary, Tupungato 2021**.

Bodegas Bianchi, IV Generación Gran Corte 2019 from Tunuyán, Mendoza was also awarded a Best in Show medal. On this top-scoring blend, the judges commented: "Try to get hold of a bottle of this midnight-black blend of Malbec with Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot. The blend has brought complexity to what is clearly outstanding fruit."

Red wines dominate Argentina's top medal winners, but three white wines stood out with **Bemberg's La Linterna Finca El Tomillo Parcela No 1 Chardonnay, Tupungato, Mendoza 2017** awarded a Platinum medal and the 2018 vintage



winning a Gold alongside **Colomé, Estate Torrontés, Calchaquíes, Salta 2021**. In total, an impressive 24 Gold medals were awarded, up more than threefold from 2021 results.

On the importance of value wines and judging by price band, alongside country, region, colour, grape variety, style and vintage, Decanter World Wine Awards Co-Chair Andrew Jefford, comments:

“Price is very critical to everybody’s buying decisions. I’m always buying the best wine I can get for the price. So having that price band enables consumers to calibrate what they can actually get ahold of to their own budget - I think that’s what people are really looking for.”

Co-Chair Sarah Jane Evans MW adds: “The Decanter World Wine Awards is something really special. We pay huge attention to the wines we have. Each one we approach like one of the family in the sense that we really care for it, study it and then rate it as it is now. You know that what you’re doing is having a big discussion about who’s going to enjoy it later.”

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Note to editors

Argentina was awarded a total of 486 medals, with 4 Best in Show, 13 Platinum, 24 Gold, 205 Silver and 240 Bronze.

The following wines won Argentina's Best in Show medals:

- Pacheco Pereda, Estirpe Organic Fairtrade Cabernet Franc, Agrelo, Luján de Cuyo, Mendoza 2021
- Bodegas Bianchi, IV Generación Gran Corte, Los Chacayes, Tunuyán, Mendoza 2019
- Morrisons, The Best Gran Montaña Reserve Malbec, Uco Valley, Mendoza 2020
- Finca Sopenia, Altosur Malbec, Gualtallary, Tupungato, Mendoza 2021

About DWWA

Launched in 2004 and now in its 19th year, the Decanter World Wine Awards (DWWA) is the world's largest and most influential wine competition.

Decanter - the world's leading wine media brand - has a trusted relationship with an international audience of both consumers and trade that sets DWWA apart from other competitions. Sustainability is a key focus for the DWWA team. All plastic and cardboard is collected and recycled, while every bottle is crushed and remelted, ready to be remade into usable glass within 30 days. All leftover wine is also collected, recycled and sold back into the national grid as gas.

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