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PRESS RELEASE

CHARDONNAY DU MONDE 2024: A UNIQUE INTERNATIONAL AWARDS LIST

The 31ST annual Chardonnay du Monde® wine competition was held March 13-15, 2024 at Château des Ravatys, the wine estate Burgundy (France).

The **Chardonnay du Monde** international competition recognizes the world's best Chardonnay wines by awarding them with reliable and **representative medals**. This competition is based on a single conviction: distinctive marks of quality are the **key to real differentiation** and therefore enhancing the value of the awarded wines in this highly competitive market where the array of products becomes more vast each day. Award-winning wineries can use this recognition for sales purposes by placing medal stickers on their bottles.

This event is unique in terms of its scope, its method and its ambition

- **International in scope and a seldom reached diversity:** 579 wine samples, 33 countries, 200 international expert judges.
- **A strict method with the focus on quality:** compliance with international competition standards, rigorous selection of expert judges, and the use of scientific criteria for tasting, and secure processing of computer results.
- **Optimal tasting conditions:** sensory isolation, number of samples limited to 20 per panel, expert judges do not

add up their scores allowing them to focus on evaluating the wines, and wines are tasted at an appropriate pace.

As part of these Quality Assurances, all new judges must participate in a one-day training session before being admitted to the tasting panels. For each judge, this session includes sensory profile determination, Chardonnay aromas identification and various exercises to familiarise themselves with methods used in international wine judging competitions.

Chardonnay du Monde has progressively distinguished itself from other international competitions thanks to **quality standards that are much stricter than the norm** and by remaining faithful to its founding principles, which have driven its success over the years: **diversity, quality and high standards**.

After three days of judging, the **panels awarded medals to 189 participants**.

Medals Distribution

Gold medals	68
Silver medals	121

2024 GENERAL TRENDS

■ **An unique geographical diversity:** with 33 countries and 579 wines entered, Chardonnay du Monde is the strongest concentration of Chardonnay wine ever realized. It is the most significant and legitimate qualitative competition for the distinction of best Chardonnay of the World.

There was also strong participation from South Africa, Brazil, Canada, Czech Republic, France, Hungary, Italy, Romania, Spain and Switzerland.

The country winning the most medals

- **The good place of France** is noted with 32 medals. The Burgundy Region, the Southern France and the Champagne were rewarded by numerous and beautiful medals.
- **Many sparkling Chardonnay were in competition:** Champagne gains very beautiful medals. Belgium and Brazil received also very good notes.
- **Within Europe:** Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary,

Romania, Slovenia, Spain and Switzerland stood out for their numerous medalled wines.

■ **Outside Europe:** Brazil, Canada, Japan and South Africa confirmed their successes of earlier years.

There was a high level of diversity in terms of the sensorial qualities of the wines

Each wine distinguished at Chardonnay du Monde was judged for its individual quality. A favorable view is granted to the wines showing good typicity and intense Chardonnay aromas. Oakiness is considered a plus when it is discreet and harmonious, but this quality was marked down when it masked varietal aromas.

■ The presence of sugar at a few grams per liter has a tendency to improve scores. This tendency, already noted in previous years, was confirmed this year with a number of successes for off-dry wines.

■ **Expert-judge gave severe notations** for the wines



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South Africa



Spain



Switzerland



USA



Uruguay

whose flavours of Chardonnay are masked by too much wood and Sauvignon flavours; they thus privileged the Chardonnay expression.

■ **Dry wines were judged successful** when they displayed harmony in the form of elegant acidity, with aromatic complexity.

International expert judges trained

A unique level of quality and rigor for the evaluation of the Chardonnay du Monde

More than 700 international expert judges have been trained to evaluate the wines in competition after a specific training.

TOP 10* BEST CHARDONNAY DU MONDE 2024

Country	Product	Winery
Czech Republic	Chardonnay 2018	Vinarstvi Josef Valihrach
Brazil	Gazzaro - Gran Reserva Chardonnay 2020	Vinicola Gazzaro Ltda
Chile	Qu - Chardonnay - Gran Reserva 2023	Vina I Spa
South Africa	Glen Carlou Chardonnay 2023	Glen Carlou Vineyards Ltd
China	Helan Mountain - Xiafeng - Chardonnay	Pernod Ricard (Ningxia) Winemakers Co, Ltd
France	Vin de France - Louise Dubois - 1885 - Chardonnay 2023	François Martenot
France	Petit Chablis AOP - Durup 2023	Jean Durup Père & Fils
Canada	Magnotta - Chardonnay - Limited Edition Niagara Peninsula VQA 2020	Magnotta Winery Corp
Kazakhstan	Altyn Arba - Chardonnay Reserve 2013	Arba Wine
Czech Republic	Chardonnay Reserva 2021	B\W Vinarstvi A.S
Canada	Wending Home - Estate Vineyard - Chardonnay Creek Shores VQA 2020	Wending Home Estate Vineyards & Winery
Canada	G. Marquis - Chardonnay - The Silver Line Niagara-on-the-Lake VQA 2020	Magnotta Winery Corp.
France	Vin de Savoie AOP - Domaine Charles Gonnet Chardonnay 2023	Vins Château de La Violette
Germany	Weinactum Bad Cannstatt - Chardonnay - Auslese 2022	Weinactum Bad Cannstatt Gmbh
Australia	Miles from Nowhere - Best Blocks - Chardonnay 2022	Tate Wine
France	Bourgogne AOC - Les Ursulines - Chardonnay 2022	Maison Jean Claude Boisset
France	Mâcon-Azé AOP Prestige 2021	Cave Coop. d'Azé
France	Côtes de Thau IGP - Beauvignac - Chardonnay 2023	Cave Coop. Les Costières de Pomerols

* Some wines are rigorously equal thus the TOP 10 2024 includes 18 wines.

All results awarded by country and by medal are available at www.chardonnay-du-monde.com



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Chardonnay du Monde® competition is organised by the Association Forum Œnologie, with participation from the Revue des Œnologues, the sensory performance assessment centre for the expert judges. Secure computer processing of results is ensured by The Services Actions Qualité company.