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Results Are In for the Ultimate Wine Challenge 2011

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Ultimate Beverage Challenge's (UBC) second annual Ultimate Wine Challenge was held at Astor Center on May 2-6, 2011. Once again, Ultimate Wine Challenge has proved that integrity, method, and credibility can flourish and be the driving forces in a competitive beverage alcohol environment.

2011 Ultimate Wine Challenge Chairman's Trophy Winners

For a complete list of results and scores please go to www.ultimate-beverage.com/uwc2011results

Red Wine:

Altos Nevado Malbec 2008 (Argentina): Malbec-World
Beronia Tempranillo Reserva (Spain): Spain-Reds
Black Stallion Winery Cabernet Sauvignon 2008 (USA): Cabernet Sauvignon-World
Cecchi Sangiovese di Maremma Bonzio 2009 (Italy): Sangiovese-World
Falua Conde de Vimioso Reserva 2008 (Portugal): Portugal-Reds
Franciscan Magnificat 2006 (USA): Assorted Reds-North America
Giarrusso Zinfandel 2008 (USA): Zinfandel-USA
Sequana Pinot Noir Sarmiento Vineyard 2009 (USA): Pinot Noir-World
Wakefield St. Andrews Estate Shiraz 2006 (Australia): Shiraz/Syrah-World
Wild Horse Merlot 2008 (USA): Merlot-World

White Wine:

Clos du Val Ariadne Semillon/Sauvignon Blanc (USA): Sauvignon Blanc-World
Glen Carlou Chardonnay 2009 (South Africa): Chardonnay-World
La Miranda de Secacastilla Grenache Blanc 2009 (Spain): Assorted Whites- Europe
Wagner Vineyards Riesling Semi-Dry Estate Grown 2009 (USA): Riesling-World

Champagne/Sparkling:

Piper Sonoma Blanc de Blancs NV (USA): Sparkling-World

Dessert Wine:

Inniskillin Vidal Blanc Ice Wine 2007 (Canada): Late Harvest/Botrytized-North America

Fortified Wine:

Taylor Fladgate 20 Year Old Tawny Porto (Portugal): Porto-Portugal

Panels of best-of-the-best judges led by F. Paul Pacult (Judging Chairman) and Sean Ludford (Assistant Judging Chairman) - specifically Lorena Ascencios; Michael Apstein; Christy Canterbury; James Conley; Mary Ewing-Mulligan, MW; Mary Gorman; Ed McCarthy; John McClement; Steve Olson; Patricia Savoie; Tara Q. Thomas and Jennifer Simonetti-Bryan, MW carefully assessed the submitted domestic and international wines. The judging panels did not know the identity of any of the entered still, sparkling and fortified wines in order to provide a completely level playing field for all entrants. Entrants were judged on the 100-point rating system in multiple rounds to arrive at the top wine per category. All wines were judged in flights according to price, grape type and region. The highest scoring wines were awarded the coveted Chairman's Trophy.

Said UBC Managing Partner F. Paul Pacult, "In order to make our results more informative for consumer, this year we're providing brief tasting notes from the judges for all Chairman's Trophy-winning wines as well as for Finalists. In addition, we've designated wines that represent Great Value, indicated by the dollar icon on our website, based upon the relationship between their price and final score."