

SA Young Wine Show delivers fresh new tastes

The recently held 2013 SA Young Wine Awards had 135 producers enter 2060 wines from the eight wine regions. The wines were judged in 17 different categories. The SA Young Wine Show is one of South Africa's largest and oldest competitions for young wines and offers winemakers the opportunity to compare their choices of wine styles and production methods with those of their peers at an early stage.



Pictured with the SA Young Wine Show trophies are JD Rossouw, Head Winemaker Daljosafat and Bernard Smuts, Cellar Master Boland Cellar.

Boland Cellar did well, receiving eight gold, nine silver and 16 bronze medals. It also had two class winner trophies for its unwooded Chenin Blanc and wooded Petit Verdot, which respectively won the Boeresake and Arnold Graue Trophies. Gold medals were awarded to the wooded and un-wooded Chenin Blanc, the Cabernet Sauvignon/Merlot/ Cabernet Franc blend, the Cabernet Sauvignon/Shiraz/Pinotage blend and the Shiraz. The Chenin Blanc (wooded and un-wooded) as well as the Shiraz also won gold in 2012.

"Our performance over the past couple of years has been very consistent, which is a good indication of the high quality wines produced by the cellar, across the range of wines," says Boland winemaker Bernard Smuts. He adds that both the Paarl and SA Young Wine shows provide the ideal platform for testing new cultivars, which will ultimately be used in one of the cellar's popular blends.

"We are delighted to see that decades of sourcing ideal micro-climate regions for the production of quality vineyards with unique character, is paying off. It is exciting to apply our knowledge of masterful blending to produce interesting blends and we will definitely use the award-winning Petit Verdot as one of the pillar cultivars in the new Bordeaux blend."

He also applauded the other Paarl vineyards that achieved top results, winning more than half the gold medals at this year's show. "Paarl is especially well-suited to producing top quality Chenin Blanc grapes and we are delighted with the gold medals for both our wooded and un-wooded Chenin Blanc," he concludes.

Winners

SA Champion Wines

- Genl Smuts Trophy: SA Kampioenwyn - Diemersdal: Sauvignon Blanc (Hout)
- Pietman Hugo Trophy: Beste Punte Behaal Met 5 Beste Inskrywings - Bon Courage
- Frank Myburgh Trophy SA Kampioen Sémillon - Ghost Corner/Cederberg: Sémillon
- Les Tastevins Du Cap Trophy SA Champion Chenin Blanc - Alvi's Drift Wines: Chenin Blanc (Wooded)
- John McDonald Trophy SA Kampioen Sauvignon Blanc - Diemersdal: Sauvignon Blanc (Hout)
- J G Graue Trophy SA Champion Chardonnay - Goudini Wynkelder: Chardonnay

- Sbw Trophy SA Champion White Blend - KWV SA: Sauvignon Blanc/Sémillon
- H A Conradie Trophy SA Kampioen Ander Wit Kultivar - Merwida Wynkelder: Nouvelle
- Agri Expo Silver Tray SA Champ Natural Sweet White Wine - Bon Courage: Natural Sweet White Wine
- Agri Expo Goue Trophy SA Kampioen Edellaatoeswyn - Bon Courage: Edellaatoeswyn (Hout)
- Vine Products Trophy SA Champion Red Blend - Perdeberg Wynkelder: Pinotage/Mourvedre/Petit Verdot (Wooded)
- Dr A I Perold Trophy SA Kampioen Pinotage - Namaqua Wines (Spruitdrift): Pinotage (Hout)
- Burgoyne Trophy SA Champion Shiraz - Spier Wines: Shiraz (Wooded)
- Roberto Moni Trophy SA Kampioen Cabernet Sauvignon - Flagstone Winery: Cabernet Sauvignon (Hout)
- Libertas Trophy SA Champion Merlot - Botha Kelder: Merlot (Wooded)
- Stephan Smit Trophy SA Kampioen Ander Rooi Kultivar - Alto: Cabernet Franc (Hout)
- Sawfa Trophy SA Champion Port - Boplaas Family Vineyards: Vintage
- H J Etchell Trophy SA Kampioen Dessert Wyn - Bon Courage: Rooi Jerepiko
- Agri Expo Silver Trophy SA Champion Muscadell - Allesverloren (Malan Boerdery): Rooi Muskadel Jerepigo

Class Winners

- R Santhagens Trophy - KWV SA - Class 01:17 Enige Kultivar Versnit (Nie-Muskaat)
- Nederburg Trophy - Slanghoek Kelder -Class 02:44 Enige Kultivar Versnit (Nie-Muskaat) (Hout)
- Boland Koöp Wyn Trophy - Badsberg Wynkelder - Class 04:04 Enige Kultivar Versnit (Muskaat) (Hout)
- Wine and Spirit Revue Trophy - Goudini Wynkelder - Class 05:38 Chardonnay
- Cuthbert Burgoyne Trophy - Badsberg Wynkelder - Class 06:19 Chardonnay (Hout)
- Boeresake Trophy - Boland Kelder - Class 07:36 Chenin Blanc
- Standard Bank Trophy - Alvi's Drift Wines - Class 08:01 Chenin Blanc (Hout)
- HF Theron Trophy - Van Loveren - Class 09:21 Colombar
- Oranje Vaal Trophy - Merwida Wynkelder - Class 11:14 Nouvelle
- Monis Trophy - Anura - Class 13:32 Sauvignon Blanc
- Koöp Wynkelders Trophy - Diemersdal - Class 14:07 Sauvignon Blanc (Hout)
- Paul J De Wet Trophy - Ghost Corner/Cederberg - Class 15:02 Semillon
- Fjj Rabie Trophy - Spier Wines - Class 16:09 Semillon (Hout)
- Alva Laval Trophy - Badsberg Wynkelder - Class 18:11 Viognier (Hout); Lutzville Wingerde - Class 23:04 Rosé; Van Loveren - Class 26:09 Enige Kultivar Versnit (Musk)
- Eerste Nasionale Bank Trophy - Van Loveren - Class 28:01 Colombar
- South Trade Trophy - Nuy Wynkelder - Class 32:06 Chenin Blanc; Slanghoek Kelder - Class 35:01 Enige Ander Enkel Wit Kult (Nie-Musk)
- Jonker Broers Trophy - Bon Courage - Class 41:01 Natuurlike Soet Wit, Blanc De Noir Of Roséwyn; Bon Courage - Class 42:06 Edellaatoeswyn;
- HAC Bairnsfather-Cloete Trophy - Bon Courage - Class 43:02 Edellaatoeswyn (Hout)
- Mooiuitsig Wynkelder Trophy - Wellington Wines - Class 46:25 Enige Rooi Kultivar Versnit
- Peter Barlow Trophy - Perdeberg Wynkelder - Class 48:67 Enige Rooi Kultivar Versnit (Hout)
- National Wines and Distillers Trophy - Alto - Class 51:12 Cabernet Franc (Hout)
- Castle Wine & Brandy Co Ltd Trophy - Wellington Wines - Class 52:18 Cabernet Sauvignon
- Capt Peter Bairnsfather-Cloete Trophy - Flagstone Winery - Class 53:11 Cabernet Sauvignon (Hout)
- Aan De Doorns Koöp Trophy - KWV South Africa -Class 55:09 Malbec
- Dr GCV Odendaal Trophy - Perdeberg Wynkelder - Class 56:13 Malbec (Wood)
- CF Shaw Trophy - Aan De Doorns Wynkelder - Class 57:41 Merlot
- WH Lategan Trophy - Botha Kelder - Class 58:37 Merlot (Wood)
- Badsberg Koöp Wynkelder Trophy - Babylon's Peak - Class 60:11 Mourvèdre (Wood)
- Arnold Graue Trophy - Boland Kelder - Class 62:01 Petit Verdot (Wood)
- PP Botha Snr Trophy - Boschendal - Class 63:11 Pinot Noir (Wood)
- Prof CJ Theron Trophy - Diemersdal Class 64:21 Pinotage
- Paul Sauer Trophy - Namaqua Wines (Spruitdrift) - Class 65:40 Pinotage (Wood)
- Oude Meester Kelder Trophy - Uniwines Vineyards - Class 66:32 Ruby Cabernet

- JA Meyer Trophy - Wellington Wines - Class 68:28 Shiraz
- CWH Kohler Trophy - Spier - Class 69:75 Shiraz (Wood)
- Boland Bank Trophy - Welbedacht Wine Estate - Class 70:09 Any Other Single Red Cultivar
- Castle Wine & Brandy Co Ltd Trophy - Babylon's Peak - Class 71:03 Any Other Red Single Cultivar (Wood)
- Bertrams Trophy - Lateganskop Wynkelder - Class 74:09 White Jerepigo
- Simonsvlei Koöp Wynk Bpk Trophy - Bon Courage - Class 75:14 Red Jerepigo
- Monis Trophy - Boplaas - Class 77:03 Red Port Intended for Cape Tawny Port
- Dr Al Perold Trophy - Boplaas - Class 78:01 Red Port Intended for Vintage Port
- AJ Conradi Trophy - Boplaas - Class 79:04 Any Other Port or Port Blends
- Slanghoek Koöp Wynkelder Trophy - Badsberg Wynkelder - Class 80:13 Hanepoot Jerepigo; Owk Kakamas - Class 81:04 White Muscadel Jerepigo: <16% A/V
- Overhex Boerevereniging Trophy - Owk Kakamas - Class 82:17 White Muscadel Jerepigo: >16% A/V; Bon Courage - Class 83:07 Red Muscadel Jerepigo:<16% A/V
- Jurgens Schoeman Trophy - Allesverloren (Malan Boerdery) - Class 84:14 Red Muscadel Jerepigo: >16% A/V; Aan De Doorns Wynkelder - Class 85:08 Any Other White/Red Muscat (Can Also Include A Blend); Badsberg Wynkelder - Class 86:06 Any Other White/Red Muscat (Can Also Include A Blend) (Wood)

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