

CHABLIS HAILS WINNERS OF 27TH ANNUAL COMPETITION

The Chablis commission of the Bureau Interprofessionnel de Vins de Bourgogne (BIVB) has released the names of the award winners from this year's annual Chablis wine competition.

This year marked the 27th year of the annual competition in the region, and on a cold Saturday last weekend, 12 January 2013, 72 judges made up of journalists, restaurant owners, sommeliers, oenologists and wine connoisseurs, tasted 347 Chablis wines to select the winners.

The judging took place in two flights. All 72 tasters judged all 347 Chablis wines, and then those which received the best grades went on to a second judging by a "super jury" who then award the medals.

Out of the 347 Chablis wines tasted, which represented 91 different maisons, the judges awarded a total of 22 medals. The 22 award winning wines will now become the Chablis Wine Ambassadors of the BIVB in the UK and abroad for 2013.

The competition was chaired by head sommelier at Alain Ducasse Entreprise, Gérard Margeon, who commended the high quality of the competition, "Chablis is a highly respected wine and is recognised throughout the world as one of the greatest white wines.

"The wines tasted for the competition were truly outstanding, and on many occasions although some wines did not receive a medal, they deserved to be recognised as a very high quality wine."

Said Françoise Roure, Marketing Communications Manager at BIVB, "The Chablis wines competition is a great way to start the year and celebrate the fantastic wines which Chablis has to offer.

"We look forward to sharing the medal winning wines with the UK this year which we hope to incorporate into activities taking place such as our Chablis trade masterclasses."

*The Bureau Interprofessionnel des Vins de Bourgogne (BIVB) is the generic body responsible for the promotion of wines from all the Burgundy wine regions.

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CHABLIS WINES COMPETITION – THE RESULTS (12 JANUARY 2013)

Petit Chablis 2011

Gold Medal

Domaine GAUTHERON - Fleys

Louis MOREAU - Beine

Silver Medal

William FEVRE - Chablis

Bronze Medal

Domaine SAVARY - Maligny

Domaine MILLET - Tonnerre

Chablis 2011

Gold Medal

Isabelle & Denis POMMIER - Poinchy

Silver Medal

Jean-Claude COURTAULT - Lignorelles

Domaine CHRISTOPHE – Fyé

Daniel DAMPT - Milly

Bronze Medal

Bernard DEFAIX - Milly

Domaine de la CORNASSE - Beine

CHABLIS

Chablis Premier Cru 2011, Rive Droite

Gold Medal

Jean-Paul et Benoit DROIN - MONTEE DE TONNERRE - Chablis

Silver Medal

Alain GEOFFROY - FOURCHAUME - Beine

William FEVRE - MONT DE MILIEU - Chablis

Bronze Medal

Nathalie et Gilles FEVRE – VAULORENT - Fontenay-Près-Chablis

Domaine de LA MEULIERE - MONT DE MILIEU - Fleys

Chablis Premier Cru 2011, Rive Gauche

Gold Medal

Alain GEOFFROY - VAULIGNEAU - Beine

Bronze Medal

LA CHABLISIENNE - BEAUROY - Chablis

Domaine PINSON - LA FORET - Chablis

Chablis Grand Cru 2010

Gold Medal

GARNIER & Fils - LES CLOS – Ligny-le Chatel

Domaine LONG-DEPAQUIT - VAUDESIR - Chablis

Silver Medal

Domaine LONG-DEPAQUIT - LES CLOS - Chablis