



Xabregas shines at International Wine Shows

Award winning Great Southern wine, Xabregas, has shone on the international wine circuit this week, collecting gold (best in class) at the International Wine and Spirit Competition 2008 and two gold at the New Zealand International Wine Show 2008.

Xabregas received gold (best in class) for the Xabregas Show Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2005 in the Single Estate Vintage Wines entry category at the International Wine and Spirit Competition 2008 in London.

Judges tasting notes described the Xabregas Show Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2005 as 'a deep dark rich colour with seductive notes of chocolate, backed by cassis and sweet cedar. This follows through to the mouth where it is beautifully balanced against silky tannins and a lingering hint of blackcurrant. Quite delicious now, but will continue to develop in bottle.'

The Xabregas Show Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2005 and Xabregas Cabernet Merlot 2005 were also awarded gold at the New Zealand International Wine Show 2008, in the Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Predominant blends class.

These were the only Western Australian wines to be awarded gold in this class.

Xabregas also received silver for the Xabregas Show Reserve Shiraz 2005 and bronze for the newly released Xabregas Shiraz 2007 at the New Zealand show, which is considered one of the largest wine competitions held in the Southern hemisphere.

Background

Established in 1996 in the Great Southern Wine Region of Western Australia, Xabregas takes the finest cool climate fruit and creates premium wines of exceptional quality, elegance, sophistication and style.

Xabregas continues to be at the forefront of wine technology and production, investing in two world-renowned Ganimede Fermenters that create more 'naturally' aromatic red wines, which are softer and produce more intense fruit flavours.

The winery has also invested in the world's first Nairn 3080 Harvester fitted with a Tier 3 John Deere diesel engine that produces lower carbon emissions. This custom designed harvester represents the winery's commitment to sustainable viticulture.

The recommended retail price for the Xabregas Premium Range is \$22.95 and Xabregas Show Reserve Range is \$34.95

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