



New Zealand Organic Wine Awards

2014
Results

Welcome



The 'New Zealand Organic Wine Awards' is a new 'exclusively organic' wine competition. In order to be judged, wine's must be created using certified organic grapes, at an organic vineyard. Vineyards may be certified by any of the following certification authorities; Biogro, Demeter, Asure Quality or Organic Farm NZ.

Organic wine is a fast market growth area, with consumer demand growing exponentially. Organic Wine doesn't just offer health benefits such as being pesticide free, and generally lower in sulphites; we believe using organic techniques can help to create a superior wine.

Traditional wine competitions tend to use a generic scoring system to judge wine's, which rarely lends itself well to organic wines. Organic wines are frequently more complicated than non-organic; but may lack some of the specific notes that judge's expect in a particular category, causing them to miss out on points.

Our judging was completed blind, by a large and varied tasting panel, and scored in accordance with what should be expected from an organic wine. All members on our panel are independent and not connected to any wineries partaking in the awards. Wine's were judged on a variety of factors and awarded points for each. Vineyards were also awarded a score for their sustainability practices that went above and beyond what is required for the 'Sustainable Wine Growing' certification. Which was

added to each wine's score to give final points.

The top wine's from each category have been awarded certificates, which are displayed on the following pages.

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All wines below, are eligible to display the relevant awards logo on the bottle, or use in marketing materials as desired. Please contact Luke@organicwineawards.co.nz for details and media files.

Elite Gold, Elite Silver, Elite Bronze have been awarded to exceptional wines in the \$20+ (Sauvignon Blanc) and \$30+ (Pinot Noir) categories respectively.



Gold

The following wines have been awarded the highest accolades available.

(Elite) Fancrest 2009 Pinot Noir
(Elite) Villa Maria 2013 Single Vineyard Templar Sauvignon Blanc
(Elite) Loveblock 2013 Sauvignon Blanc
Naked Vine Wine Mt Patriach 2012 Pinot Noir
Giesen 2013 Organic Sauvignon Blanc
The Darling 2012 Chardonnay
Loveblock 2011 Gewurtztraminer
Turanga Creek Le Pur 2011 Pinot Gris
Sunset Valley 2012 Reserve



Silver

The following wines have been awarded Silver, or Elite Silver.

(Elite) Woolaston Mahana 2012 Pinot Noir
(Elite) Wairau River Reserve 2012 Sauvignon Blanc
(Elite) Villa Maria Cellar Selection Organic 2013 Sauvignon Blanc
Richmond Plains 2013 Pinot Noir
Naked Vine Wine Mt Patriach 2013 Sauvignon Blanc
Loveblock 2011 Bonedry Riseling
Richmond Plains 2012 Gewurztraminer
Babich Family Estate Headwaters Organic 2013 Gruner Veltliner
Urlar 2013 Pinot Gris
Quartz Reef Methode Traditionnelle Brut NV
Turanga Creek La Cote 2011 Syrah



Bronze

The following wines have been awarded Bronze, or Elite Bronze.

(Elite) Soderberg Homeblock 2012 Pinot Noir
(Elite) Urlar 2011 Pinot Noir
(Elite) The Darling 2013 Sauvignon Blanc
(Elite) Walnut Block 2013 Sauvignon Blanc
(Elite) Richmond Plains 2012 Blue Moon Sauvignon Blanc
Sunset Valley 2013 Pinot Noir Reserve
Petit Clos Sauvignon Blanc by Clos Henri 2013 Sauvignon Blanc
Konrad Wines 2013 Sauvignon Blanc
Villa Maria Private Bin Hawkes Bay Organic 2013 Gewurtztraminer
Turanga Creek 2012 Late Harvest Viognier



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