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WESTEND STEALS 2010 SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL WINE SHOW

Showcasing the strength of its Riverina portfolio, Westend Estate Wines stole the show on Saturday at the '2010 Sydney International Wine Competition'. Among its haul, Westend Estate Wines was awarded 'The Wine Society Perpetual Trophy for 'Most Successful Winery or Brand' and nine outstanding awards.

The competition results were presented on Saturday, February 20, at a seven course degustation banquet in the Grand Ballroom, Shangri-La Hotel Sydney. The International Wine Competition attracts entries from both boutique and large commercial wine companies with its main aim to encourage consumers to make up their own minds about which wines to choose. It's built around helping consumers make considered choices, to take full advantage of the vast array of wine styles that are available and to choose what to drink with a given dish with a purpose in mind. Competition director, Warren Mason says "Each wine entered has its own unique story, and a notable example this year included Westend Estate Wines".

The Sydney International Wine Competition entries are capped at 2000 wines, Westend entered twenty wines into the 2010 competition with nine wines taking out an award. "Considering only 15% of all entries receive any award, this was a remarkable achievement from Westend Estate" comments Mason.

In an extraordinary presentation for the winery, Westend Estate Wines was awarded 'Most Successful Winery or Brand' for the nine awards, which included:

- 3 Bridges Cabernet Sauvignon - Top 100 / Blue Gold Award
- 3 Bridges Shiraz - Top 100 / Blue Gold Award
- Westend Riesling - Top 100 / Blue Gold Award
- 3 Bridges Durif - Blue Gold Award
- Westend Viognier - Blue Gold
- Richland Pinot Grigio - Highly Commended
- 3 Bridges Reserve Botrytis Semillon - Highly Commended
- Richland Cabernet Sauvignon - Highly Commended
- Richland Merlot - Highly Commended

Westend Estate Wines Director, Bill Calabria, collected the award on the day and said the trophy and awards won by the 'Three Bridges' and 'Richland' wines reflected the winery's commitment and investment in the Riverina region. Enthused Calabria also described the win, "This is a fantastic note to start the year."

Westend Estate Wines was established in 1945 by Bill's parents, Francesco and Elizabeth Calabria. The newly arrived young Italian migrants brought with them expertise of traditional Italian cooking and the love of making wines. These were the foundations laid out for what would become one Australia's most interesting family winemakers. Today the winery harvests 14,000 tonnes of grapes per annum, exports to over 30 countries around the world and employs over 40 people, including six members of the Calabria family.

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