

## **Press Release**

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## Turkish Wine Challenge® 2022 Awards Ceremony, 21st November 2022, Istanbul Turkiye

We are hosting the annual awards ceremony which includes a tasting of all 84 medal winning wines from the 2022 edition whereby guests will include the wine producers, members of the trade and consumers at the Divan Hotel, Istanbul on Monday, 21st November 2022. This will be a wonderful opportunity for networking amongst the stake holders. Tickets can be purchased via contact with the organiser at narsap@gmail.com.

Wines from eleven wine-growing countries of the world were tasted blind at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Turkish Wine Challenge® (TWC) which was held on May 7th in London, and May 11-15th in Kusadasi, Turkiye. The TWC has achieved immediate popularity internationally with countries such as South Africa, Malta and Italy entering for the first time. A total of 84 Medals were awarded; 1 Grand Gold, 30 Gold and 53 Silver medals. Italy, Georgia, Germany and Turkey were the countries with most Gold in both reds and whites whilst Spain was awarded Gold in the sparkling as well as fortified categories.

The special award "**TWC Trophy 2022**" was won by Çamlıbağ Winery, for recording the highest score. Bozcaada's boutique producer, Çamlıbağ also received the only Grand Gold award in the competition with their Ayapetro Merlot 2013. This wine also was the highest-scoring red wine receiving the "**TWC 2022 Best Red**" award.

"We, and our professional jury consisting of eight different nationalities, were very pleased with this year's Turkish Wine Challenge®. TWC is proud to offer a boutique style approach when it comes to engaging the award winners with stakeholders/distributors in Turkiye and around the world." Turkish Wine Challenge Founder Serhat Narsap recounts; "Considering that Turkish Wine Challenge® is only two years old, the results give me confidence to continue on growing our international wine competition without loosing the personal touch that we are appreciated for".

We are excited to announce that registration for the third edition of TWC to be held in London in May 2023 is now open. Contact: Serhat Narsap, Founder, <a href="mailto:narsap@gmail.com">narsap@gmail.com</a>, +90 539 980 7178

**About**: *Turkish Wine Challenge*® is an international wine competition held in Turkey by London-based Sonvino Ltd. The competition awards only Grand Gold, Gold and Silver medals with blind tasting to 100 point based scores. <u>www.turkishwinechallenge.org</u>