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## Trump Winery wins double gold at nation's largest and most prestigious wine competition

All six Trump entries medal at San Francisco International Wine Competition

Charlottesville, VA – July 7, 2015: Celebrating its 35<sup>th</sup> year as the largest and most influential international wine competition in America, the San Francisco International Wine Competition (SFIWC) awards medals that are among the nation's most highly-esteemed wine accolades. This year Judges tasted more than 4,900 wines from around the world at the Hotel Nikko, San Francisco on June 12, 13, and 14, officially releasing results the first week of July.

Trump Winery's 2009 Blanc de Blanc won a double gold medal beating well known sparkling wines from the most famous regions around the world including Champagne, Prosecco, Veneto, and California to name a few. The *Méthode Champenoise* brut Blanc de Blanc is crafted from 100% estate grown Chardonnay and is aged a minimum of 36 months on the yeast to increase complexity. The wine is rich with flavors of bright green apple, lemon notes, pear, and brioche.

The 2008 Sparkling Reserve and 2014 Viognier both received gold medals. The 2014 Sauvignon Blanc received a silver medal, and both the 2014 Chardonnay and 2014 Rosé received bronze medals.

Following the announcement of these awards, Eric Trump, President of Trump Winery, said "When we purchased the winery in 2011 we set out with the goal of producing wines that could compete with the best in the world. These amazing accolades, which are an honor to receive, prove we are doing what we've set out to do. We are consistently beating world-renowned wineries from the most famous regions and it is really a testament to our hard work and focus on being the best at what we do. I am very proud of the team and all their hard work. "

Winemaker Jonathan Wheeler, commented "I am always eager to find out the results of this competition because it really is the best competing. I am very proud of the sparklings in particular because the wines were up against the best sparkling houses in California, New York, Veneto, Prosecco, and of course Champagne. It's also great to see our Viognier do so well. The 2012 vintage won a gold medal at the 2013 competition as well so I am really proud of the consistency of quality we are able to produce."

Judged by a prestigious panel of fifty internationally-recognized wine experts, the wines that receive gold medals are considered the best in the world. The judges tasted wines from 26 countries and 29 states. Judging is based on a blind, consensual procedure, ensuring competitive integrity, and the SFIWC remains the nation's most respected wine competition. Find out more about the competition: <http://sfwinecomp.com/pdf/2015SFIWCresultsFINAL.pdf>

Find out more about our awards: <http://www.trumpwinery.com/winery/accolades/category/awards/>

### About Trump Winery

From our award-winning wines to memorable events to our world-class accommodations, there are innumerable ways to experience the magic of Trump Winery. We pride ourselves in creating the finest terroir-driven sparkling, white, and red wines, which have won numerous national and international gold medals and best-in-class designations. This power of place permeates beyond our wines and is felt as soon as a guest steps onto our nearly 1,300 -acre estate, whether for a meal and glass in the Tasting Room, to celebrate a friend's wedding at one of our stunning venues, or for a relaxing stay in the luxurious accommodations at Albemarle Estate. We invite you to experience firsthand why Wine Enthusiast name Virginia wine country as one of the "Top 10 Best Wine Travel Destinations" in the world.

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