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## Trump Winery 2012 New World Red Nominee

Charlottesville, VA – December 15, 2014: Trump Winery recently received high marks for their red wines at the annual I Jefferson Cup Invitational wine competition held on 20-21 November, 2014. Our 2012 New World Reserve was a Jefferson Cup Nominee, equivalent to a Double Gold and the 2013 Meritage was awarded a Medal of American Merit, similar to Silver.

The Jefferson Cup celebrated the 15<sup>th</sup> year being the only competition to judge the best entries from all the wine regions in the United States. This year wines from twenty five states were pre-selected to exemplify top viticulture and winemaking. The structure of this invitation only competition allows for every wine to find a place at the judges' table.

When asked about the award, winemaker Jonathan Wheeler commented that "It is an honor to be invited to compete in the Jefferson Cup and for two of our wines to bring us medals, we are very proud."

The Jefferson Cup Invitational was founded in 1999 in honor of Thomas Jefferson who brought winemaking to the region where Trump Winery is located called the Monticello American Viticultural Area. Following the Jefferson Cup competition, the remaining wines are donated for an annual event that benefits children and adults in need. This year the Jefferson Cup raised more than \$90,000 for Angel Flight Central.

Find out more about our awards here: <http://www.trumpwinery.com/scripts/awardList.cfm>

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### About Trump Winery

Featuring over 1,300 acres of breathtaking scenery, Trump Winery is situated in the heart of the Monticello Wine Trail in Charlottesville, Virginia. Just a few miles from Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, Trump Winery follows Jefferson's footsteps in making new world wines inspired by the French wine regions of Bordeaux and Champagne. With a deep sense of place we aim to tie together terroir and innovation, producing wines receiving national and international acclaim. With almost 200 acres of vines, Trump Winery is the largest vineyard in Virginia. Our wines are currently available in sixteen states and two countries.

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