



## **WHIMWOOD ESTATE WINES awarded SILVER MEDAL at Royal Melbourne Wine Awards**

The medal and trophy winners of the 2016 Royal Melbourne Wine Awards have been announced with local winery **Whimwood Estate Wines** receiving **Silver Medal** after judging was completed over a week in October at Melbourne Showgrounds.

“We fell in love with the property at first sight in 2011, without even knowing that it had a vineyard! We were off on a new adventure; leaving the city and corporate world behind and enjoying our new challenge of making award winning wines”.

Entering the awards for the first time this year, the owners said the win would help grow their business.

“As a first time entrant, we were thrilled to receive this award, which gives us the confidence that we are producing great wines,” said Vignerons and vineyard owners Steve Johnstone and Maree Tinker.

The Royal Melbourne Wine Awards is the most respected wine show in Australia, conducted by The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria for 131 years, and received over 3100 entries from over 500 exhibitors this year.

A panel of 35 industry experts assessed the thousands of entries over five days, overseen by Chief Winemaker, Yabby Lake Vineyard and previous Jimmy Watson Trophy winner Tom Carson.

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