

Press Release

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2014 RESULTS

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Economic Community Administration**A very international quality high-level for the 2014 award list**
23 countries in competition and 7 on the Top 10 ranking of the best Muscats 2014

Muscats du Monde 2014: An international opportunity to establish the extraordinary aromatic diversity of Muscats. The results of the 14th Edition of the Muscats du Monde® International Wine Competition, have just been announced. Over the course of two days, international experts tasted 208 Muscat wines from all over the world. The 2014 awards list from Muscat du Monde® is an opportunity to discover the incomparable palette of aromas that Muscat wines can offer. Strict quality standards and optimal tasting conditions enabled international judges to award 73 medals that are recognised as a reliable criterion for selection.

The 14th international confrontation of the world's best Muscat wines, **Muscats du Monde®**, organised by Forum Œnologie, was held **2 and 3 of July 2014** in the Languedoc-Roussillon region in the city of Frontignan-la-Peyrade (France). The iconic birthplace of

the Muscats of Frontignan hosted the international experts-judges in the historical setting of the Voltaire House.

Since 14 years, its international wine competition recognised the world's best Muscats wines, **awarding reliable and thus representative medals**. Muscats du Monde® is founded on a single conviction: **distinctive marks of quality** are the key to the differentiation and thus to the promotion of medal-winning wines in a highly competitive and often confusing marketplace. Medal-winning wineries can use their medals in marketing their wines.

Muscats du Monde® 2014 brought together still and sparkling Muscat wines from 23 countries, making this competition into one of the world's top events for Muscat wines. Since its creation, this competition has been a wonderful occasion to taste traditional Muscat wine (VDN : Vin Doux Naturel / Sweet

natural Wine) and to follow the development of a wide variety of new wines, highlighting the complexity and aromatic richness of Muscat varieties.

Muscats du Monde® has carved out a place of its own amongst wine competitions, thanks to its international flavour and its rigorous methods. During the two days of tasting under optimal conditions, the international expert judges awarded **73 medals (25 Gold and 48 Silver Medals)** in accordance with **international wine competition regulations** and in strict compliance with **Quality Assurance requirements**.

Muscats du Monde® has progressively distinguished itself from other international competitions thanks to **quality standards** that are much stricter than the norm and by remaining faithful to its founding principles: **diversity, quality and high standards**.

2014 General Trends

Geographical diversity: with 23 countries Muscats du Monde® is the strongest Muscat wine concentration ever realized. It is thus the most significant and legitimate qualitative confrontation for the distinction of best Muscats of the world. All of the Muscat-producing regions in France were well represented: Alsace, Corsica, Languedoc-Roussillon and the Rhône Valley.

Other well-represented countries included Spain, Italy, Portugal and even such faraway countries as South Africa, Australia and Brazil. The participation of countries such as Romania, Russia, United-States and Switzerland was also notable.

An international Award list of very high-level of quality

A very high-level of international quality for the 2014 award list: 23 countries in competition and seven on the Top 10 ranking of the best Muscats 2014.

The Top 10 ranking honor seven countries: South Africa, Australia, Bulgaria, Spain, France, Italy and Portugal. The sweet wines of late harvest and by "mutage" obtain beautiful Gold medals.

Italy and Spain occupy the two first places.

The **good place of France** is noted with 5 Gold medals and 21 Silver medals. Three French wines made the Top Ten. Languedoc-Roussillon and Provence took home a number of prestigious medals.

In Europe, Spain, Italy, Bulgaria and

Portugal distinguished themselves with several medals.

Outside Europe, South Africa, Australia and Brazil all stood out.

Switzerland, Russia, United-States, and Romania reach the level of the best.

Diversity of Sensorial Expression

Each of the wines that distinguished themselves at **Muscat du monde®** did so because of their **own intrinsic quality**, not in comparison with the other wines. This event is therefore a unique opportunity to bring together and discover a wide variety of Muscat wines in all their forms: dry, sweet, still, sparkling, with and with pink to dark red shades. According to the expert judges, this extraordinarily rich group of wines demonstrated a level of sensory complexity rarely

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Participating Countries

	Armenia
	Australia
	Austria
	Brazil
	Bulgaria
	Cyprus
	Croatia
	Czech Republic
	France
	Germany
	Italy
	Macedonia
	Portugal
	Romania
	Russia
	Slovakia
	Slovenia
	South Africa
	Spain
	Switzerland
	Turkey
	USA
	Uruguay

encountered with other wines. **Several marks of quality Gold and Silver** were awarded to botrytised, late harvest and special selection. A wide variety of dry, off-dry, sweet, still, sparkling, young, age-worthy wines received favourable notice. **Several gold medals** were awarded to dry wines, which were characterised by an elegant acid balance and by floral, muscat aromas. The sparkling

wines were noted for their elegance and lightness (low alcohol). For the sweet wines (vins doux naturels and vins de liqueur), the expert judges had a wide choice of high-quality wines from which to pick the best. Incontestably the 2014 award list honour naturally sweet and VDN (Sweet Natural Wine) Muscats. **The participation of sparkling wines is in increase with very beautiful**

medals obtained by the Australia, Brazil, France, Italy and Russia.

Muscats du Monde® is organised by the Association Forum Œnologie with participation from the Revue des Œnologues and in partnership with the city of Frontignan-la-Peyrade and the Services Actions Qualité company for competition-related computing services.

Top 10* Best Muscats du Monde® 2014

Country	Products	Winery
 Italy	Societa Agricole Vignalta	Colli Euganei Fior d'Arancio Doc - Alpanae - Passito 2011
 Spain	Bodega Coop. Sant Vicent Ferrer de Teulada	Alicante Do - Teulada Moscatel Reserva
 Australia	Morris Wines	Morris Cellar Reserve Grand Liqueur Muscat
 Bulgaria	LVK - Vinprom Ltd Ad Targovishte	Muscat Dessert Wine 2012
 Australia	Morris Wines	Morris Black Label Rutherglen Liqueur Muscat
 Spain	Bodegas Ochoa	Navarra Do - Ochoa Moscatel Vendimia Tardia 2013
 France	Cave de Die Jaillance	Clairette de Die Tradition Vin Bio Jaillance
 South Africa	Distell	Nederburg Private Bin Eminence 2011
 Spain	Cherubino Valsangiacomo	Valencia Do - Vino de Licor Raim Moscatel Cuva Vella 1980
 France	Gross et Fils	Alsace Grand Cru - Vendanges Tardives Muscat Golbert 2009
 France	Les Vignerons de Baixas - Vignobles Dom Brial	Muscat de Rivesaltes - Château les Pins 2006
 Portugal	Bacalhoa-Vinhos de Portugal	Bacalhoa - Setubal Do - Moscatel Roxo Superior 2002

* Some wines are rigorously equal thus the TOP 10 2014 includes 12 wines.

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Leading *Quality* indicator

The Muscats du Monde® competition received official approval from the DGCCRF (the French consumer-protection agency) and the European Union on 21 June 2001.

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