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Sanguine Estate's 2014 D'Orsa Reserve Shiraz achieves equal 5th best Shiraz in the world!

Sanguine Estate's latest release 2014 D'Orsa Shiraz has been awarded 5 Stars (Gold Medal), best Shiraz in the "\$50 to \$60" category and equal 5th best Shiraz overall at Mainfreight World's Greatest Syrah & Shiraz Challenge just 4 places behind the 2010 Penfolds Grange Shiraz (valued at \$1,048).

The results of the largest Shiraz and Syrah competition in the world are featured in Winestate's September/October issue of the Magazine to be released on 1st September 2016 and distributed within Australia and New Zealand as well as Asia, USA and UK reaching in excess of a 100,000 consumer and trade readership in Australia and New Zealand alone.

Over 450 Shiraz wines from Australia and around the world (namely France, South Africa and New Zealand) were judged and included iconic wine brands purchased by the organisers that are not normally entered into wine competitions such as Penfold's Grange. Only 13 out of the 451 wines judged achieved 5 Stars (gold medal) including Sanguine Estate's 2014 D'Orsa Shiraz.

All wines were judged blind over 4 days by panels of 3 judges. *"Each wine was scored independently by each judge, the scores collated and a consensus given which then translated into a star rating. Following this all wines which achieved a five star rating, regardless of price, were then brought back for another blind judging to determine a 'Top Ten' listing."*

A total of 280 wines received a medal (62% of all wines entered) and competition was so tough that the normal Top 10 became a top 12 this year with positions 5 and 9 both holding equal placegetters with two Heathcote wineries represented. The Sanguine Estate 2014 D'Orsa Shiraz positioned equal 5th and Domaine Asmara 2013 Reserve Heathcote Shiraz positioned equal 9th. Placing these Heathcote wines in the top 2% of the entire challenge and standing in such fine company as Wolf Blass, Mollydooker, Saltram and Penfolds Grange.

What is even more impressive is that both the Sanguine Estate D'Orsa Shiraz and the Domaine Asmara Reserve Heathcote Shiraz were made by the same winemaker, Mark Hunter of Sanguine Estate.

"I couldn't be happier for Andreas and Henni of Domaine Asmara. It's not only thrilling to have my own wine in the top 10 but to also see a brand that you are the contract winemaker for up there as well, is an unbelievable feeling" says Mark.

The D'Orsa was not only placed in the top 5 but also achieved the best shiraz in the \$50 to \$60 category.

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Sanguine Estate is not new to success in this challenge, here is a summary of recent years

2015 Challenge

D'Orsa 2013 achieves **8th Best Shiraz** in the world and best Shiraz in \$50 to \$75 category

2014 Challenge

2012 D'Orsa Shiraz achieves equal top in \$50 to \$75 category

2013 Progeny Shiraz announced \$20 to \$25 category winner

2013 Challenge

2012 Progeny Shiraz achieves \$20 to \$25 category winner and places 7th in the Top 10

Winestate is in its fifth decade of judging Australian Shiraz but it has only been in the last twelve years that iconic wines from the old world have been sourced.

Provided Sanguine hasn't run out, the newly released D'Orsa Shiraz will be on tasting at the cellar door every weekend and at the Heathcote Wine and Food Festival on October 8th and October 9th.

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