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MARCHESI VINEYARDS DOES IT AGAIN!

MARCHESI VINEYARDS NEBBIOLO 2010, COLUMBIA VALLEY WINS 'BEST OF CLASS' AT PREMIERE 2013 SAN FRANCISCO WINE COMPETITION.

We wish to inform your readership of the recent awards issued to Marchesi Vineyards of Hood River, Oregon as of March 18th, 2013.

Much to our delight, we have been informed that the three wines submitted by Marchesi Vineyards to the prestigious San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition received significant awards at America's largest wine judging event.

The San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition received more than 5400 wine submissions and is considered to be the premier competition in the United States. We were awarded a Best of Class for our 2010 Nebbiolo, Bujanen, Columbia Valley, a Bronze medal for our 2011 Barbera Achille, Columbia Valley and a Bronze Medal for our 2009 Pinot Noir Reserve, Columbia Gorge.

This is the second Best of Class award Marchesi Vineyard's has received from this important wine competition. The first was our Primitivo Valentino 2009, Columbia Valley. The new Best of Class award for our Nebbiolo 2010 and the Bronze for our Barbera 2010 are the testimony that we take Italian Varietals seriously here at Marchesi Vineyards and the results are the proof, year after year.

The Bronze Medal awarded to the 2009 Pinot Noir Reserve, Columbia Gorge, is of particular importance, because it is the First major winning by a premium Pinot Noir from the Columbia Gorge, a fairly new AVA, that embraces both the Oregon and Washington sides of the Columbia River where the grapes were grown to make this fantastic wine.

On another note,

The Gorge Guide Magazine has released the 2012 results of their online voting from both residents and visitors to their website. For the THIRD year in a row Marchesi Vineyards was voted BEST OF THE GORGE: 2010, 2011 and 2012!

We are elated!

Thank you, Franco Marchesi