

CHILE CELEBRATES STRONG YEAR AT DECANTER WORLD WINE AWARDS

Chile enjoys success with an impressive haul of top-tier medals

17 June: The Decanter World Wine Awards 2026 (DWWA) results have highlighted an outstanding year for Chile, with the country earning a Best in Show alongside multiple Platinum and Gold medals.

Now in its 23rd year, DWWA is recognised as the world's largest wine competition and is widely regarded as the global benchmark for wine quality, combining unrivalled judging expertise, international reach and a rigorous, transparent tasting process.

Medals awarded at DWWA range from the top-tier 50 Best in Show, then Platinum and Gold (all scoring 95+ points) followed by Silver and Bronze. This year, the 50 Best in Show medals represented just 0.3% of wines tasted.

Chile secured 20 top-tier medals overall, with all awarded to red wines except for two whites: a 100% Sauvignon Blanc and a 100% Riesling.

The country received one Best in Show medal, four Platinum medals – its strongest Platinum performance since 2022 – and 15 Gold medals, including four Value Golds (wines priced under £15).

DWWA Regional Chair for Chile, Amanda Barnes MW, commented: 'Chile is an increasingly exciting country to taste as there is so much diversity in varieties, regions and styles of wine'.

The Best in Show medal was awarded to a wine from **Colchagua – San Pedro, 1865 Selected Vineyards Las Lagunas Carmenère 2023**. The region also won a Gold for **Montes, Purple Angel Carmenère-Petit Verdot 2022**. There were also two high scoring 94-point Silver medals.

San Antonio celebrated its first Platinum medal since 2022 for **Leyda, Origin Pinot Noir, Leyda Valley 2024**. The region also secured a Gold for another Pinot Noir 2024 vintage from producer **Undurraga** in addition to 19 Silver medals, two of which were shy of Gold with 94 points.

Baron Philippe de Rothschild secured two Platinum medals with **Tierra Sagrada Almaule País 2025** from **Maule** and **Escudo Rojo Origine Cabernet Sauvignon 2024** from **Maipó Valley**. The producer also won a Value Gold for **Mapu Tierra Sagrada Carmenère, Maule 2024**.

Maipó Valley added two further Golds to Chile's tally, while **Maule** collected another two Gold medals.

The fourth Platinum was awarded to **Vik, Stonevik 2025** from **Cachapoal**, a blend of Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon and Carmenère. The region also secured one Gold medal alongside 20 Silver and 12 Bronze medals.

In **Bío Bío Valley**, two Value Gold medals were awarded to **Cono Sur, Reserva Especial Riesling 2024** and **The Co-operative, Irresistible Malbec 2024**. DWWA Regional Chair for Chile, Amanda Barnes MW, commented: 'We had some excellent quality Riesling wines, which is certainly a category Chile should be better known for'.

Aconcagua Valley earned a Gold for **Viña Tarapacá, Gran Reserva Sauvignon Blanc 2025**, along with seven Silver and 13 Bronze medals.

From **Curicó**, a Value Gold was awarded to **Espíritu de Chile, Intrépido Reserva Cabernet Sauvignon 2024**.

The remaining Gold medals were awarded to wines from **Casablanca Valley** and **Limarí Valley**.

DWWA Co-Chair, Beth Willard, commented: 'The judging process at DWWA is one of the most demanding I've come across. With each wine having to go through several rounds of judging to get to a Gold, Platinum or Best in Show award, it really means that the top-scoring wines are really worth seeking out.'

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Notes to editors

Chile was awarded a total of 312 medals comprising 1 Best in Show, 4 Platinum, 15 Gold, 160 Silver and 132 Bronze medals.

The following wines won Chile's Best in Show and Platinum medals:

- San Pedro, 1865 Selected Vineyards Las Lagunas Carmenère, Colchagua 2023 | *Best in Show, 97 points*
- Baron Philippe De Rothschild, Tierra Sagrada Almaule País, Maule 2025 | *Platinum, 97 points*
- Baron Philippe De Rothschild, Escudo Rojo Origine Cabernet Sauvignon, Maipó Valley 2024 | *Platinum, 97 points*
- Leyda, Origin Pinot Noir, Leyda Valley, San Antonio 2024 | *Platinum, 97 points*
- Vik, Stonevik, Cachapoal 2025 | *Platinum, 97 points*

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About DWWA

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Run by Decanter, the world's leading wine media brand, DWWA benefits from a trusted global audience of both trade and consumers, setting it apart from other competitions.

Sustainability remains a key focus for DWWA, with ongoing initiatives to reduce waste. In 2026 more than 20,000 single-use plastic bags previously used for blind tasting were replaced with reusable cotton alternatives, while more than 1,000 cardboard boxes are reused annually.

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