



*Winners of the two competitions announced together for the first time ever*

**WINNERS ANNOUNCED OF THE  
20<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL WINE COMPETITION AND THE  
17<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL PACKAGING COMPETITION 2012**

**Verona, 20 November 2012** - The winners of 20<sup>th</sup> International Wine Competition and the 17<sup>th</sup> International Packaging Competition have been announced in Verona - the two Vinitaly competitions designating the best wines in the world and the best image through bottles.

The **20th International Wine Competition** held 12-16 November 2012, saw the Special "**Gran Vinitaly 2012**" Award go to Canadian company Magnotta Winery Corporation (Vaughan), while the special "**Vinitaly Nation 2012**" Award went to Badel 1862 (Zagreb, Croatia) Olearia Vinicola Orsogna (Chieti, Italy) and Varga Pincszet (Badacsonyors, Hungary).

Out of 2,269 samples from 23 Countries, total of 16 Grand Gold Medals, 17 Gold Medals, 19 Silver Medals and 18 Bronze Medals were assigned, confirming the Competition as the most selective in the world. The 105 jurors included 42 of the most qualified international foreign journalists from all continents.

The special "**Denomination of Origin 2012**" Award, introduced for the first time this year, was made to Amarone della Valpolicella DOC Classico Riserva 2007, Az. Agr. Buglioni, Settimo di Pescantina (Verona), Gutturnio DOC Classico Superiore "Battaglia della Trebbia" 2010, Az. Agr. Molinelli di Molinelli Luigi Giovanni - Ziano Piacentino (Piacenza), Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOP 2009, Creavini, Castel Frenano (Chieti), Prosecco DOC Frizzante 2011, Az. Agr. Le Rive, Bonato Andrea & Luigi, Ponte di Piave (Treviso) and Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore DOP Spumante Extra Dry Millesimato 2011, Az. Agr. San Gregorio, Valdobbiadene (Treviso). Amarone della Valpolicella Doc Classico Riserva 2007 by Buglioni also took the "**Banca Popolare di Verona**" Award.

The jury of the **17<sup>th</sup> International Packaging Competition** was also particularly attentive and demanding in assessing 164 samples on 6 November 2012 before announcing not all of the awards envisaged.

The special "**Packaging 2012**" Award went to Azienda Agricola Ausonia, Atri (TE-Italy); the winner of the special "**Coordinated Image 2012**" Award was also Italian - Bortolo Nardini, Bassano del Grappa (VI).

*The full lists of medal winners and special mentions for the 20<sup>th</sup> International Wine Competition is available at the link: [http://www.vinitaly.com/pdf/concorsi/cei\\_vincitori\\_2012\\_en.pdf](http://www.vinitaly.com/pdf/concorsi/cei_vincitori_2012_en.pdf) and the gold, silver and bronze labels for the 17<sup>th</sup> International Packaging Competition are available at the link <http://www.vinitaly.com/ExhibitorsArea/packaging-competition-results/>*

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