



## YOUR INVITATION TO THE CLASSIC WINE TROPHY 2011

The 13<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Classic Wine Trophy takes place from March 5<sup>th</sup> to March 12<sup>th</sup> 2011. In association with leading French wine publication, *La Revue du VIN de France*, the competition is unique in two ways: wines are adjudicated by a panel of French judges and a limited number of only 17 medals can be won to ensure legitimacy and credibility for winners:

- ❖ One category for sparkling wines
- ❖ Five categories for white wines
- ❖ Ten categories for red wines
- ❖ One category for dessert wines

The purpose of the competition is to recognize, reward and promote wines of elegance, balance and finesse. Wines should also show ability to age well. The Classic Wine Trophy is given to the most iconic entry, a wine made with patience and excellence.

La Revue du VIN de France will cover the event and ensure international exposure for the winners. **Recognition and exposure** across the globe being our main focus, we are excited to announce that following our 2010 RVF article, two South African wine estates were approached and asked to be represented in France: Vergelegen and Ataraxia.

Amongst the panel of **French wine personalities** this year are **Francois Villard** leader of the Northern Rhone valley producers, (Domaine Francois Villard) as well as wine writer **Ricardo Uztarroz**, journalist for *Liberation* magazine and *Agence France Press*.

The **blind tasting of wines** entered takes place over four days in the Rainbow room at the Mandela Rhodes Place. Winners and media will be invited to an **exclusive dinner and awards ceremony** held on **Friday, 11th March 2011 at the TAJ Hotel, in Cape Town.**

With the support and sponsorship of the newly imported **Champagne house PALMER**; the Classic Wine Trophy is committed to upholding the highest standards in this unique celebration of South African wine.





## LIST OF JUDGES

**FRANCOIS VILLARD** Leading of the Northern Rhone Valley producers

**RICARDO UTARROZ** Journalist for *Liberation* magazine, *Agence France Press*, wine aficionado and wine writer

**OLIVIER POELS** Editor and journalist for *La Revue du Vin de Château*  
[www.rvf.fr](http://www.rvf.fr)

**CHRISTOPHE DURAND** Classic Wine Trophy organiser and proprietor of *Vins D'Orrance*  
[www.vinsdorrance.co.za](http://www.vinsdorrance.co.za)

**CLAUDE GILOIS** French wine importer, wine writer and founder of *Vins du Monde*  
Blog: <http://voyagesvinsdumonde.20minutes-blog.fr>

**PIETER DE VILLIERS** Former prop du XV de FRANCE and co-owner of the *Domaine Mas Angel* in the Languedoc Roussillon, France  
[www.masangel.fr](http://www.masangel.fr)

**JEAN YVES MULLER** Co-owner of *Caveau* and *Headquarters* restaurants  
[www.caveau.co.za](http://www.caveau.co.za)

**JEAN-VINCENT RIDON** Owner and winemaker of *Signal Hill Winery*  
[www.winery.co.za](http://www.winery.co.za)

**KHALED ROUBAH** Owner and winemaker of *Domaine du Coeur* in Pommard, France

**PHILIPPE DIETRICH** Winemaker and director of Michael Partzold Wine Services (Pty) Ltd

**DENIS GARRET** Chef Sommelier Export at Gedimag, Château Peyrat, Fourthon  
[www.clubduvin.com](http://www.clubduvin.com)

JEAN LUC SWEERTS Owner/winemaker of MC square



## TASTING PROCEDURE

1. The blind tasting will be done over a four-day period.
2. The wines will be cross-tasted by panels of three judges each.
3. The selected wines will then be blind tasted again, over three rounds.
4. During the Grand Finale, the shortlisted wines will again be tasted by all judges.
5. All OIV procedure will be adhered to, and one OIV official judge will be assessing the Ratings.

## COMPETITION RULES

1. A **separate entry form** must be submitted for each wine entered
2. To enter, please note:
  - **R400 ex. VAT** fee per wine entered
  - **6 bottles** to be submitted per wine
  - **Two labels per wine to be supply** (inside the box)
3. **Proof of payment** to be faxed to: 0865882989

## CLOSING DATE

**Entries need to be in by Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup> 2011 at 17h30**

No late entries will be allowed unless by special arrangement with the organizers

**Enquiries** can be directed to Sabrina (021) 683 7479 (office) or on 083-415-7211 (cellphone) during office hours

## DELIVERIES

All wine samples can be delivered from **Monday February 21st to Friday March 4<sup>th</sup>** and made for the attention of:

**The Rainbow Room offices  
Mandela Rhodes Place  
Church Street, Cape Town CBD**

Deliveries will only be accepted between 10h00 and 17h00.

**Please mark "CLASSIC WINE TROPHY"** clearly marked on all cases.

Please submit one case per entry.

Two copies of the entry form must accompany each entry (one in box, one for receiver)

**NB: ENTRY FORMS MUST BE FAXED BEFOREHAND TO 0865882989.**



## APPLICATION FORM CLASSIC WINE TROPHY 2011

Winery Name	
Contact Person	
Address	
Telephone	
Fax	
Email	
Payment Method	<input type="checkbox"/> Cheque <input type="checkbox"/> Bank Transfer

🏆 If you are a gold winner, would you like to order award stickers?    YES     NO

Please specify how many stickers would be required?	
---	--

Winery name	Brand name	Variety	Vintage

**ENTRY FEE: R400 ex.VAT per entry**  
**PLEASE SUBMIT 6 SAMPLES**  
**INSERT TWO LABELS OF SUBMITTED WINE IN ITS BOX.**

**Banking details:**

Account: Vins d'Orrance  
Bank: First National Bank  
Branch: Claremont  
Account Number: 62067677818  
Branch code: 200109

**Please fax proof of payment to: 0865882989**