

DOS RIOS SECURES INITIAL EXPORT ORDER

An enquiry from the city of Yamagata, Swan Hill's sister city in Japan, through AusTrade in Mildura has seen Takeda Shoji Shoten Co. in Yamagata select Dos Rios to supply the major part of a consignment of wines from the Swan Hill region.

The wines have been shipped to arrive in Yamagata in time for a civic function scheduled for the 22nd December.

This is a significant milestone for the two year old boutique producer which is currently negotiating a further export order with a Spanish importer.

Wines from the range are available at leading restaurants and clubs in Swan Hill, Stefano's in Mildura, Oscar W's in Echuca and at many clubs and restaurants throughout the region from Wentworth to Deniliquin. For a full listing of fine dining establishments stocking Dos Rios wines please visit the web site. Selected wines from the Dos Rios range are also available retail at Scotts Liquor and at the Swan Hill Visitor Information Centre.

The cellar door at 3151 Murray Valley Highway, Nyah is open most weekends Friday – Monday from 9:00 a.m., so if you are in the area please make sure you call in.

Wines may also be ordered by mail or over the internet with details available on the web site at www.dosrios.com.au

DOS RIOS RUNNER-UP IN BUSINESS AWARDS

In the Swan Hill Regional Business Excellence Awards for 2006 Dos Rios was one of three finalists in the Innovation in Agriculture section.

The winner of the section was Chislett Developments Pty Ltd, for whom I work three days per week, so the remaining two finalists are joint runners-up.

BRONZE MEDAL FOR DOS RIOS 2006 VERDELJO

Judges at the 2006 Australian Inland Wine Show, conducted in Swan Hill in early October 2006, awarded a bronze medal to the 2006 Verdeljo.

Hand harvested, whole bunch pressed and given only a few weeks in seasoned French oak barriques the wine is pristine light gold / green in the glass.

With honey, straw and some toasty characters on the nose it has a full palate with rich varietal traits is clean with zesty acid.

NEW VARIETIES SELECTED FOR PLANTING

Three exciting new Italian varieties Fiano, from which is made a dry crisp white wine, Moscato Giallo, producing a light, sweet, slightly spritzig wine, suited to drinking as an aperitif or with fresh fruits and deserts, and Maestri to produce a medium bodied dry red are being planted to supplement the Spanish varieties Verdeljo and Tempranillo planted last year.

Watch for news on release of the white wines from the Fiano and Moscato Giallo in late 2007 and the Maestri in mid to late 2008.

WINE WINNERS FROM TASMANIA

Cecil and Christine Stubbs of Launceston, Tasmania were the mail order clients whose name was randomly drawn to receive a case of mixed wines in time for Christmas.

As their names were submitted to the list by **Christina Usher**, also of Launceston, Tasmania, when she visited the cellar door while travelling, she will be receiving a half case of mixed wines in time to celebrate Christmas.

There will be a mid winter draw in July so nominate friends to go on the list for them to have a chance to win a case and yourself a half case of wines.

LIMITED SUPPLY OF SOME WINES

With the filling of the export order to Japan several of the wines have been taken off the list as they are in short supply.

Mail order clients who would like to secure either the 2004 Pinot Gris or 2004 Chardonnay should make enquiry by email as small supplies of these wines will be available for a short period despite their removal from the listing on the web site.



View from the Dos Rios cellar door of the 25 year old Shiraz vines.