



**SCARPANTONI**  
WINES OF MCLAREN VALE

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **SCARPANTONI ESTATE WINS THE TROPHY FOR BEST SAUVIGNON BLANC AT THE 2009 ROYAL PERTH WINE SHOW**

Last Friday the Scarpantoni 2009 Estate Sauvignon Blanc was awarded the H.L.B. Mann Judd Trophy for Best Sauvignon Blanc at the Royal Perth Wine Show, which was music to the ears of winemaking brothers Michael and Filippo Scarpantoni and their team in McLaren Vale. Considering the well-publicised hot spell that occurred during the vintage, the trophy was a fantastic achievement and follows in the footsteps of the gold medal won for the same wine at the Cowra Wine Show only weeks before.

The Scarpantoni Estate Sauvignon Blanc fruit is sourced from a section of vineyard located on the southern side of the Scarpantoni winery site in McLaren Flat, close to the famous Block 3 Shiraz and Brothers Block Cabernet Sauvignon sections of the vineyard. "We had excellent ripening conditions before the hot spell, but even when the heat came the vines coped remarkably well" Fil Scarpantoni commented. "It was like the vineyard was in a giant oven, and given the fact the vines were already drought affected, the fruit was better than I'd ever thought it could have been."

The H.L.B. Mann Judd Trophy at the Royal Perth Wine Show has been awarded to wines from across the Tasman for the previous three years. Given the stiff competition from highly reputed, more established Sauvignon Blanc producing regions including Margaret River, the Adelaide Hills and Marlborough, the Scarpantoni brothers are particularly proud of the win for their 100% McLaren Vale wine.

"We've been lucky enough to win the trophy for best Sauvignon Blanc a number of times over the years at the McLaren Vale Wine Show, but it really was rewarding to see the wine chosen above a number of wines from well-regarded national and international producers and regions." Michael Scarpantoni remarked.

This trophy win complements other recent accolades awarded to Scarpantoni Wines, including the Jimmy Watson Memorial Trophy in 2007 for the 2006 Brothers Block Cabernet Sauvignon and last year winning both the Great Australian Shiraz Challenge and the Winestate Shiraz of the Year with the 2006 Block 3 Shiraz, plus the Trophy for Best Rosé at the Cowra Wine Show for the Ceres Rosé in 2008. Scarpantoni Wines is currently rated at 5 stars in the Australian Wine Companion 2010.

With a recommended retail price of \$18 in Australia, Scarpantoni Estate's award winning 2009 Sauvignon Blanc can be found in fine wine stores and reputable cafes and restaurants throughout Australia.

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