



SOGRAPE VINHOS

"Só de um grande amor nascem grandes vinhos"
"Wines of passion"

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Sogrape Vinhos voted 2011 Portuguese Producer of the Year at the International Wine & Spirit Competition

After witnessing Sandeman 20-Year Old Tawny awarded the best port wine, Sogrape Vinhos was very proud to receive the trophy for Portuguese Producer of the Year at the International Wine and Spirits Competition – IWSC 2011.

The award honours the company's performance in this year's prestigious contest, with 28 prizes for the 29 wines entered, a true reflection of their quality. Apart from the Trophy for Best Port Wine, Sogrape Vinhos also gained important gold and silver medals at the IWSC 2011 for its wines made in the various wine-growing regions of Portugal.

For Sogrape Vinhos this honour "encourages us to keep our company focused on excellence and innovation in order to sustain growth by producing interesting wines with added value for our consumers", says Francisco Ferreira, CEO of Sogrape Vinhos.

About Sogrape Vinhos

Founded in 1942 by Fernando van Zeller Guedes, Sogrape was established with the ambition of promoting and selling Portuguese wines around the world. A family run company with an international outlook, now led by the third generation of the founding family, Sogrape Vinhos is one of the most important wine-producing companies in the Iberian Peninsula, owning more than 830 hectares of vineyards in the main Portuguese wine-growing regions and a presence in more than 125 countries.

From the outset, Sogrape Vinhos was ambitious to become a market leader and is internationally recognised for its consistent performance and for its strong focus on innovation, having been voted European Producer of the Year in 2010 by the Wine Enthusiast Magazine.