

President of Marqués de Murrieta is awarded Best Entrepreneur of the Year

2015 continues to be a year of successes for Vicente Dalmau Cebrián-Sagarriga. After being awarded the Best Entrepreneur of the Year from both Actualidad Económica and Condé Nast for his work as president of Marqués de Murrieta, recently named the best winery in the world, he has now been awarded Gentleman's 'Best Entrepreneur of the Year'.



Upon receiving the award, Vicente noted that this award recognises the "daily, honest and responsible work" of his team to make his 19 year old dream a reality.

"I dreamed that this renovated winery would become one of the foremost wineries in the world and a few months ago we were named the Best Winery in the World. I dreamed that our wines would reach the highest positions in tastings around the world and less than two months ago, the most important American publication certified that our wines had achieved the highest scores, ranking among the 20 best wines in the world. I also dreamed of a strong presence for my wines outside of Spain and today we are in 100 countries around the world and our export has reached 70%.

Dreams do come true and it is the recognition of awards bestowed by Gentleman, Actualidad Económica and Condé Nast that continue to drive the daily work of the Best Entrepreneur of the Year and the Best Winery of the World."

It has taken almost a decade for Marqués de Murrieta to complete the renovation of Castillo Ygay, under the watchful eye of architect Luis Galliusi. The goal of this work, part of a €20million upgrade instigated by Vicente, was "to combine tradition with modernity and youth while always trying to maintain the Murrieta identity." There are new tasting rooms, a museum, a dining room with a kitchen 'identical to the one at El Bulli', new cellars with vintages back to 1852. The next phase of the project will be investment in a new winemaking facility at the Castillo, which is due to start this Autumn.

Next year marks a milestone for Murrieta with the release of Castillo Ygay Blanco 1986, 30 years after vintage. There will be a series of events to mark this release, alongside the 2007 Castillo Ygay Reserva Especial.



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Notes to Editors

Marqués de Murrieta are imported exclusively by Maisons Marques et Domaines UK.

MMD: Established in 1986 as the exclusive distributor of Champagne Louis Roederer, MMD now manages UK distribution for a broad portfolio of 17 high quality, family owned producers from around the world including iconic brands such Château Pichon-Lalande, Domaines Ott, Marques de Murrieta and Pio Cesare.

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