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FORT SIMON RAKES IN MORE AWARDS

At the recent Terroir Awards, Fort Simon Wine Estate yet again raked in another three awards.

The Fort Simon Chenin Blanc 2007 which is wooded using french oak, came first for the Stellenbosch District. The 2006 vintage took a Double Gold at veritas and has reached 'icon' status having achieved 4 and more stars for over three years in a row.

Both the 2004 and 2005 Fort Simon Shiraz was awarded best Shiraz for the Stellenbosch District. This follows on from the 2003 vintage, which also won the Terroir award for best Shiraz in Stellenbosch, and best red wine for the Bottelary ward. It was also named as one of the Top 10 Shiraz's by Diners Club.

The SA Terroir wine awards was started in 2006 to give credit to South Africa's very strict Wine of Origin system. The results therefore showcase the top quality wines that truly portray their terroir.

The judges on the 2008 panel consisted of Charl Theron, Dave Hughes, Susan Wessels, Clive Torr and David Biggs.

'I have been tasting on various international panels for many years and there is no doubt that this is the only one of its kind, making it the most exclusive wine competition in the world. I agree with using the ranking system when selecting the national certificate winners in the final round, instead of the average point system. We also apply it at the International Wine and Spirit Competition in the UK in certain categories,' says Dave Hughes, (Honourary Cape Wine Master, Life Member of the International Wine and Food Society, International Judge, a founder of the Cape Wine Academy and the Wine and Spirit Education Trust).

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