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For the second consecutive year, the Howard Park Riesling is the only Australian standout wine to receive an award at the prestigious Riesling du Monde, in Strasbourg, France, February 2004.

The 2004 Riesling du Monde competition assessed 526 wines from 11 countries.

The 2002 Howard Park Riesling was the only Australian riesling to win a medal, reinforcing the strength of the Great Southern region in Western Australia for producing wines of international renown.

Owner Amy Burch said 'This silver medal is a tremendous award as it places the Howard Park Riesling amongst the most prominent riesling producers in the world including producers from France, Luxembourg, Germany and Canada'.

Like its predecessor, the 2001 Howard Park Riesling, the 2002 Howard Park Riesling was also awarded a silver medal at this year's competition.

This award is an impressive addition to a long list of accolades this wine has accumulated; a gold medal in the 2003 International Wine & Spirits Competition, five stars from wine critic Ralph Kyte-Powell, 4.5 stars from Winestate magazine and a feature in Phillip Whites top 100 wines.

The Howard Park Riesling displays all the characters of the Great Southern soil, its diversity, richness and originality. Its consistent success on the world front promotes the Great Southern region as one of the most eminent and consistent riesling producers worldwide.

"Rieslings that come from the area are elegant wines, complex with intense citrus and floral characteristics and fabulously hard. They will reward several years of ageing," said Howard Park Chief Winemaker Michael Kerrigan.

For more information regarding the Riesling du Monde competition and results please visit www.riesling-du-monde.com

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