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**HOWARD PARK**  
WINES OF MARGARET RIVER  
AND GREAT SOUTHERN

## **INTERNATIONAL WINS FOR HOWARD PARK WINES**

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The results from the “2006 Wine Masters Challenge – VIII Concurso Mundial de Vinhos” in Portugal have been released and Howard Park Wines is carrying the Australian flag in the medal stakes.

Awarded two gold medals – the only Australian winery to be awarded Gold, and two Silver medals, Howard Park Wines have firmly established themselves in the international market.

The 2003 Howard Park Leston Cabernet Sauvignon has been awarded a Gold medal as has the 2002 Howard Park Cabernet Sauvignon. Coming home with the Silver medals are the 2003 Howard Park Scotsdale Shiraz and the 2004 Howard Park Chardonnay.

The 2002 Howard Park Scotsdale Shiraz and 2003 Howard Park Leston Cabernet Sauvignon are from the Single Vineyard Series, designed to showcase the regional differences of Shiraz and Cabernet Sauvignon from the two premier grape growing regions of Western Australia, The Great Southern and Margaret River.

The Wine Masters Challenge took place in Portugal on 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> March 2006.

The Gold medal is yet another award for the 2003 Howard Park Leston Cabernet Sauvignon which won the Blue Gold award at the Sydney International Awards late last year. ‘The first Cabernet Sauvignon vines were planted at our Howard Park Leston Vineyard in 1998 and since this time we have been working hard implementing the best vineyard practices to ensure these vines reach their full potential. To receive this Blue-Gold accolade affirms our belief in the suitability of this site to produce excellent cabernet sauvignon’, said Vineyard Manager David Burch.

During the Wine Masters Challenge 3712 wines were sampled, from this, only 1146 made it through to the finals where 75 were awarded gold, 127 were awarded silver and 126 were awarded bronze.

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