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The 2018 results of the Six Nations Wine Challenge have been announced. New Zealand's Sacred Hill Riflemans Chardonnay 2016 awarded Wine of Show, Akarua Limited Edition Kolo Pinot Noir 2015 awarded Red Wine of Show. Chile claim 10 Double Golds & 15 Golds.

The Six Nations Wine Challenge is unique and one of the most prestigious annual wine shows in the world. The challenge engages one of the leading wine critics in each of six nations; Australia, New Zealand, USA, Canada, Chile and South Africa, to invite the top 100 wines the country offers for judging.

The 6 critics then form the panel of judges that assess the 600 wines in Sydney, across 16 classes, to find some of the greatest wines of the new world producing nations. Eduardo Brethauer, owner and writer for Vitis Magazine and Vinos Con Cuento is Chile's representative judge.

"There is no wine competition quite like the Six Nations. This makes judging it pleasurable, but also arduous. Producers are invited to participate, and are told very precisely which wines are required, and for which class. For these wines to have been selected to represent their respective countries they will already have garnered multiple awards and stratospheric ratings. This means that there's an evenness to their quality which makes judging them ridiculously challenging." **Michael Fridjhon, South African Judge & Chairman of Judges 2018.**

Chile's top performers include 10 Double Golds Medal winners & 14 Gold Medal winners:

Cono Sur Limited Edition 20 Barrels Sauvignon Blanc 2017
Montgras Amaral Sauvignon Blanc 2017
Maturana 1928 Vines Semillon 2017
Maycas del Limari San Julian Pinot Noir 2015
Casa Donoso Bicentenario Gran Reserva Carmenere 2017

Concha y Toro Block 27 Entre Cordilleras Terrunyo Carmenere 2016
Santa Ema Amplus One Merlot 2016
Tinta Tinto Syrah 2016
El Escorial Cornisa Premium Grenache 2017
El Principal Memorias Cabernet Sauvignon Shiraz Petit Verdot 2014

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