



**Press Release**

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**Habitant, Nova Scotia** – Blomidon Estate Winery is thrilled to announce we have brought home four Bronze Medals from the *InterVin International Wine Awards* for our 2008 Reserve Chardonnay, 2009 L'Acadie Blanc, 2009 Seyval Blanc and 2009 Rosé. The *InterVin* competition is held annually in Niagara-on-the-Lake, ONT, and is presented by *Vines* magazine and the *Gourmet Food and Wine Expo* (Toronto). The wines were blind-tasted and evaluated by a panel of industry professionals including wine educators, sommeliers, winemakers and members of the media.

These awards cap off a tremendous year for Blomidon Estate Winery. The Bronze Medal for the 2008 Reserve Chardonnay follows up the success of the 2007 Reserve Chardonnay at the 2009 *All-Canadian Wine Championships*, where it was also awarded a Bronze Medal, and underscores the consistent quality of our 100% estate grown Nova Scotia Chardonnay. "I'm really pleased with the success of our Chardonnay program, and believe the 2011 release of our first 100% Estate *Blanc de Blancs* Sparkling Chardonnay is going to be another very exciting addition." said Simon Rafuse, Winemaker at Blomidon.

The 2009 vintage was the first full vintage produced by Simon and despite a challenging growing season, the results have been spectacular. In addition to the *InterVin* awards, Simon's 2009 Baco Noir was awarded '87 Points' in *Wine Access* Magazine by Craig Pinhey and the 2009 L'Acadie Blanc was awarded 'Top Scoring Nova Scotian Table Wine' at the recent NSLC Port of Wines Festival. The 2009 Rosé was in fact a double medal winner, also picking up a Silver Medal at the *Atlantic Canadian Wine Awards* and was also awarded '86 points' by Sean Wood in *Tidings* magazine. In other awards, the 2008 Reserve Maréchal Foch won a Silver Medal at the 2010 *All-Canadian Wine Championships* and received '86 Points' from Craig Pinhey in *Wine Access* magazine, while the 2008 Baco Noir was voted 'Best Red Wine' at the 2010 Savour Food and Wine Show.

According to Simon, "I think our recent accomplishments are a testament to the team's effort at Blomidon Estate. Our work in the vineyards has been paying off and we've been producing some very good fruit, which is the most important step in producing quality wines."

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