

The Bolney Wine Estate Crowned ‘Winery of the Year’ at Prestigious 2017 UK Wine Awards

- The Sussex Winery received the prestigious title at the inaugural UK Wine Awards-**
- The Bolney Wine Estate Pinot Gris 2016 also won a double trophy and a gold medal-**

The Bolney Wine Estate was delighted to receive the prestigious ‘Winery of the Year’ award at the inaugural UK Wine Awards. Spearheaded by English Wine Producers’ Julia Trustram Eve and members of the EWP and the UK Vineyards Association, the UK Wine Awards is the national competition for wine produced from grapes grown in England and Wales, inspired by the growing popularity of English and Welsh wines.

The respected title for the Sussex-based winery, which is run by Sam Linter, is testament to the hard work Sam and her team have put into *The Bolney Wine Estate*. The ethos at the winery is to produce the best wines possible and ensure quality is at the heart of everything – something which has clearly paid off. The high standards Sam has set – from maintaining the highest level of viticulture and vinification to the training the staff receive – has seen the winery go from strength to strength.

Sam Linter, Winemaker and MD of Bolney Wine Estate comments: *“We are over the moon to have won ‘Winery of the Year’ at the UK Wine Awards – we still can’t quite believe it! It’s such a prestigious accolade and an endorsement of the hard work each and every one of us at Bolney puts into our wines. We’re delighted that UK wine is finally getting the attention it deserves – and we’re incredibly excited for what the future holds for the industry.”*

Bolney also won ‘Top Still Wine’ and ‘Most Outstanding Single Varietal Wine’ for its Foxhole Vineyard Pinot Gris 2016 with judges remarking it is *“a delightful example of Pinot Gris; pure, expressive and fragrant with notes of honeysuckle and spiced pear.”* A dry white wine with fragrant aromas of rose, jasmine and conference pear, the palate is wonderfully rich and creamy with a slightly honeyed character – a perfect summer’s wine.

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About Bolney Wine Estate

Bolney Wine Estate is one of the longest established English vineyards and has been making award winning English wines at its Sussex estate for over 35 years. The sandstone soils are some of the best in the country, providing the ideal setting to grow vines. Bolney Wine Estate has a selection of white, red and sparkling wines, which have won some of the wine industry’s most coveted awards. The sparkling wine is produced following the same traditional method as is used to produce Champagne, providing luxurious, flavour-filled wines.

For further information on the full Bolney Wine Estate portfolio visit www.bolneywineestate.com

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