



EQ Syrah 2012 from Matetic Vineyards was awarded in the "Planet Earth Awards" category at the 2015 IWC

## A Chilean wine receives a Biodynamic Trophy at the International Wine Challenge for the first time.

A very special recognition was given for the first time to a Chilean wine at the prestigious International Wine Challenge held in London. EQ Syrah 2012, from Matetic Vineyards was chosen as the best wine of the world in the biodynamic category, which recognizes wines that excel for their quality and also their commitment to the environment.

In a competition where more than 14,000 wines from all over the world were tasted, EQ Syrah was the winner of both San Antonio Syrah Regional Trophy and the Biodynamic Trophy. This recognition comes as a confirmation of the project's long term dedication to cool-climate Syrah, starting back in 1999.

Charles Metcalfe, Co-chairman of the IWC commented: *"It is wonderful to see how these winemakers are innovating in order to minimize the impact on the environment and to protect the communities in which they work. These four fantastic 'Planet Earth' trophy winners are the delicious proof that you don't need to compromise on quality when creating wine responsibly."*

Matetic Vineyards is a boutique, family-owned project, located in the coastal valleys of San Antonio and Casablanca in central Chile. The project focuses on cool-climate varieties, all planted in ancient granitic soils. Nowadays the family grows more than 150 hectares of vineyards under organic and biodynamic certification. Arturo Larraín, General Manager of Matetic Vineyards finally added: *"This trophy confirms that is possible to make outstanding wines under biodynamic agriculture without sacrificing quality, enhancing all the potential of our coastal terroir and putting Chile amongst the highest level of international wine"*.