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Wine served at Wills-Kate wedding wins 'wine world's Oscars'

London, May 18(ANI): The United Kingdom-made Chapel Down wine, served at the royal wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton, has won the top prize at the International Wine Challenge.

The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge had ordered the wine in crates for their wedding last month in a bid to support British produce.

According to The Daily Mail, the wine from Tenterden, Kent, beat competition from 12,000 other wines.

At just 24.99 pounds the wine was recognized against many other fizzes that have a long history of being among the best.

Chapel Down Winery is the UK's largest producer of English wines with grapes grown on a 25-acre vineyard.

"The medal is another great stride forward and an international achievement of which we are very proud. It makes all the hard work worthwhile," Chapel Down Winery CEO Frazer Thompson said.

"Good wine starts in the vineyard and is improved by hiring great people. We've invested well. This is our reward," he added.

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Wine served at royal wedding bags top prize

London, May 18 (IANS) A wine served at the wedding of Prince William and Catherine has won the gold medal at the International Wine Challenge.

The royal couple selected the Rose Brut wine from Chapel Down vineyard in Tenterden, Kent, for their wedding April 29. The drink costs 24.99 pounds per bottle, the Daily Express reported.

Frazer Thompson, chief executive at the vineyard, said: 'We are very proud. It makes all the hard work worthwhile. Demand has never been higher and this accolade reinforces the quality of the wine that the team is producing.'

'The award will also enhance our export business, especially in the US.'

The wine won in the '-sparkling rose' category. The contest was judged by 400 leading wine tasters, with points being awarded for variety, country, region and vintage.

Andrew Parley, the head winemaker, described the wine as a classic that 'offers ripe berry and rhubarb -flavours, and a nose of strawberry and raspberry with a splash of creaminess'.

Chapel Down is Britain's largest producer of wines, with 500,000 bottles each year.

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