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Press Release

Wise Villa Winery Awarded Golden State Winery of the Year from the CA State Fair

Sacramento, CA, June 23, 2015: Wise Villa Winery was named Winery of the Year by the California State Fair during a prestigious ceremony on the steps of the Capital. Wise Villa Winery received the prestigious “2015 Golden State Winery of the Year” award among all commercial wineries across the state.

Senator Richard Pan presented the award to Wise Villa Winery’s Owner/Winemaker Dr. Grover Lee and Winemaker Kevin Luther. The two Winemakers had learned only moments before that they had earned the top award.

“This is such a great honor. We’ve been winning top awards for a few years now, but this is just a whole new level,” said Wise Villa’s Co-Winemaker Dr. Grover Lee. “To beat out every Napa winery, every Sonoma winery, every winery in the state, we’re just blown away right now.”

Wise Villa Winery was awarded 2 Best of California awards, 4 Best of Class of Region, 5 Golds, 7 Silvers, and 5 Bronzes. When compared with all other wineries in the competition, it was determined that Wise Villa had the highest number of high scoring wines.

During the ceremony Chief Judge Mark Chandler praised Wise Villa for their award, pointing out that Wise Villa Winery led the pack amongst many producers earning top awards. Wise Villa Winery is located in the rolling hills outside of Lincoln, Placer County, just 30 minutes from Sacramento.

During an interview, Lee and Luther were asked how they were able to produce such a consistent range of award winning wines. “It really comes down to attention to detail, from grape all the way to bottle. We hand-pick in small batches at peak ripeness and sort three times for purity and ripeness. That ensures that only the best grapes end up in the winery. Once in the winery, we ferment in small batches, cold fermenting both our white and our red wines.”

Wise Villa Winery is a popular destination winery with visitors from all over the state. Their on-site bistro hosts private events and parties, wine & food pairing dinners, as well as public events such as their yearly Barefoot Grape Stomp in the style of the famous “I Love Lucy” episode. In addition to events, their tasting room & bistro are open to the public Wednesday–Sunday 11am –5pm. Friday nights they extend their hours to 11am-close (Gates close at 8:30pm) for dinner, with live music and a sunset view over their vineyard.

Wise Villa wines can be purchased in person at their winery & bistro, by joining their wine club, online through their website www.wisevillawinery.com, at Whole Foods Markets across Northern California, as well as at Total Wine and Costco stores in Roseville, Sacramento, and Folsom. To sell Wise Villa’s wines at your store or restaurant, please contact Kevin Luther at Kevin@wisevillawinery.com or 916-534-0650. For media or event inquiries please contact Rebekah Thompson at Events@wisevillawinery.com or 530-613-8201.

The California State Fair Commercial Wine competition is the oldest and one of the most prestigious wine events in the country and draws wineries from across the state, country and even internationally. The 2015 competition consisted of more than 2,800 wine entries from 743 participating winery brands. From those participating winery brands only 50 were invited to the Capital Steps, and only the top 5 wineries were invited to the special Best of California presentation. From the top 5 wineries, **Wise Villa Winery** was selected the best winery in California, the “Golden State Winery of the Year”. <http://www.castatefair.org/2015-california-commercial-wine/>

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