

**CHÂTEAU L'HOSPITALET, WORLD CHAMPION RED WINE,
INTERNATIONAL WINE CHALLENGE 2019**



Dear all,

On Tuesday, 9 July, the wine world gathered at the Grosvenor House Hotel in London for the annual IWC awards dinner. With 10,000 wines from all around the world tasted, and a very strict assessment process involving three-stage blind tasting by at least 12 different judges, the IWC is recognised as the most prestigious competition in the world. The six presidents of the jury, Sarah Abbott MW, Tim Atkin MW, Oz Clarke, Dr. Jamie Goode, Charles Metcalfe and Peter McCombie MW, taste each wine awarded a medal to ensure that only the very best receive prizes.

Château l'Hospitalet Grand Vin AOP La Clape 2017 won the IWC Champion Red Wine 2019 category in this competition which each year are awarded to wines that are considered 'best in show' in that particular IWC year. This award is international recognition. It rewards the painstaking work carried out in the vineyards and cellar, as well as Gérard Bertrand's commitment to **biodynamic farming methods and protecting biodiversity**. Château l'Hospitalet Grand Vin AOP La Clape 2017 earned one of the highest marks in the competition: 97/100. It also picked up trophies in each of the following categories: **The La Clape Trophy, the Languedoc Red Trophy, the French Red Trophy and the IWC Champion Red Wine Trophy**, making it the best red wine in the competition.

96 points awarded by Decanter to Clos du Temple AOP Languedoc Cabrières 2018, our iconic rosé, **19/20 awarded to Clos d'Ora AOP Minervois La Livinière 2015 by Bettane + Desseauve** and this trophy for Château l'Hospitalet are an international recognition. It highlights and acknowledges the detailed work accomplished in the vineyard, in the cellar and in partnership with our clients and distributors.

I am very happy to share this recognition with you.

Yours Sincerely,

Gérard Bertrand