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In New York the 34th edition

GREAT SUCCESS FOR GALA ITALIA

New York, 27 March - - The elite of Italian wine producers took part in the 34th edition of GALA ITALIA which was held, with great success, on Tuesday 26 March in two halls of the prestigious Il Gattopardo restaurant, considered the most elegant and the most prestigious restaurant of Italian cuisine in Manhattan.

The 2019 edition, as announced by the Italian Wine & Food Institute, was divided into two distinct events: a Wine Tasting - between 3:30 pm and 5:30 pm - reserved for the trade, followed - between 18:00 and 20:00 - by a second Wine Tasting and a Buffet Dinner, exclusively reserved for the press. Participation was strictly by personal invitation and the organizers had to decline many requests for participation.

During the event, according to the Italian Wine & Food Institute's release, journalists have had the opportunity to meet with the representatives of the participating wineries while tasting a high number of wines with a wide variety of dishes, carefully prepared by Chefs of the restaurant to allow the best tasting of the wines presented.

GALA ITALIA had over one hundred journalists in attendance, representing the most important and qualified publications in the sector, including the following: Aleksandar Zecevic of the Wine Spectator, Megan Baggott of Wine Enthusiast, Joe Brescia of the New York Times, Laurie Werner of Forbes, David Lincoln Ross and Patricia Savoie of the Beverage Media Group, Charles Belle and Nu Belle of the National Newspaper Publishers Association, Michael Apstein, Jeff Kalish, Susan Kalish and Christopher Matthews of the Wine Media Guild, Edward McCarthy of the International Wine Center,

Michael Nassar of NY Daily News , Joseph Broski of the American Wine Society, Callie Eidler and Daria Saenko of M. Shanken Communications, Bill Lembeck and Harriet Lembeck of Wine & Spirits Program, Florencio De Jesus and Miragia Wang of the Independent, to name a few.

At the 34th edition of GALA ITALIA, the wineries that traditionally participate in the event: Antinori - Bertani - Bottega Vinaia - Castello di Querceto - Ferrari - Planeta - Rocca delle Macie - Rotari/ Mezzacorona - Sella & Mosca - Settesoli - Tormaresca - Travaglini and Valdo were joined by: Cipriana - Faraone - Conti Zecca - Formilli-Fendi - Maso Grener - Muzic and Il Palagio. Among the producers present were two very young women such as Alessia Travaglini of the homonymous house and Sonia Peratoner of Maso Grener who attracted the attention of the press.

Guests were able to taste a wide range of wines representing the main producing areas of the country, ranging from Piedmont to Sicily, from Trentino to Sardinia, from Tuscany to Veneto, from Puglia to Abruzzo and Umbria. These, in particular, the wines tasted: Marchesi Antinori: Villa Antinori, Chianti Classico DOCG Riserva 2013, Tormaresca, Calafuria Rosato Salento IGT 2017 and Tormaresca, Torcicoda Primitivo Salento IGT 2014 - Bertani: Rose Verona IGT 2018 and Secco Original Vintage Edition Verona IGT 2015 - Bottega Vinaia: DOC 2017 Pinot Grigio and Pinot Noir DOC 2016 - Castello di Querceto: Il Picchio Chianti Classico DOCG 2015 and Il Sole di Alessandro IGT 2010 - A. Cipriana: Bolgheri Rosso DOC 2015 and Vigna Scopaio Bolgheri Rosso DOC 2015 - Le Corgne Formilli Fendi: Le Corgne IGT 2013 and Pinot Nero Umbria IGT 2012 - Faraona: Montepulciano d'Abruzzo DOC 2014 - Ferrari: Brut Trento DOC NV - Maso Grener: Bianco Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT 2016, Pinot Noir Trentino DOC 2015 and Chardonnay Trentino DOC 2015 - Muzic: Collio Pinot Grigio DOC 2017 and Collio Ribolla Gialla DOC 2017 - Il Palagio: Roxanne White Toscana IGT 2017 and Red Toscana IGT 2016 - Planeta: Etna Bianco DOC 2017 and Etna Rosso DOC 2016 - Rocca dell and Macie: Chianti Classico DOCG 2016 and Chianti Classico Riserva DOCG 2015 - Rotari: Brut Trento DOC 2014 and Rose Trento DOC 2014 - Sella & Mosca: Cala Vermentino di Sardegna DOC 2017 and Rare Lands DOC 2014 - Settesoli: Grillo Sicily DOC 2017 and Nero d'Avola Sicily DOC 2016 - Travaglini: Nebbiolo DOC 2017, Gattinara DOCG 2015 and Tre Vigne Gattinara 2012 - Valdo: Brut Prosecco DOC NV - Conti Zecca: Primitivo del Salento IGT 2015 and Negroamaro Rosso Reserve DOC 2015.

All the wines, as well as their producers and their importers, were listed, with due emphasis, in the elegant Gala program distributed to the guests upon their entry and subsequently sent to the main operators in the sector.

GALA ITALIA was organized under the patronage of the Ministry of Economic Development, in collaboration with the Italian Trade Commission / ICE Agency represented by its new President, Carlo Ferro.

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