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Lillypilly Estate enjoys a couple of sweet, golden weeks

Lillypilly Estate has had a bountiful few weeks on the wine-show circuit, led by an impressive performance at the 2012 International Sweet Wine Challenge, which was held in Griffith this month in conjunction with the 2012 Riverina Wine Show.

The Leeton-based winery's 2008 Noble Blend, a blend of 75 per cent semillon, 15 per cent muscat and 10 per cent riesling, won a gold medal and the Trophy for Best Mature Sweet White Other Varieties and Blends.

The Lillypilly Estate 2006 Noble Harvest, a blend of 29 per cent semillon, 26 per cent chardonnay, 25 per cent riesling and 20 per cent sauvignon blanc, won the Trophy for Best Sweet White from the Museum Class. This wine is currently served in business class on Qantas international flights.

"It's always very pleasing to do well in the Challenge, firstly because it's held on our own patch and secondly because it is attracting an increasing number of overseas entries — indeed more this year than ever before," said Robert Fiumara, Lillypilly Estate's winemaker.

Lillypilly has won a total of 12 trophies over the six-year history of the International Sweet Wine Challenge, including the International Sweet Wine of the Year in 2007, 2008 and 2011, making them the only winery to have won the top trophy three times.

Other recent successes for Lillypilly Estate include:

2012 NSW Small Winemakers Show, Forbes — gold medal and Trophy for Best Sweet Wine to Lillypilly Estate 2008 Noble Blend.

2012 Perth Royal Wine Show — gold medal (Class 28) to Lillypilly Estate 2011 Noble Blend.

2012 Winewise Small Vignerons Awards, Canberra — gold medal to Lillypilly Estate 2011 Noble Blend.

The 2008 Noble Blend has now taken its overall show tally to six trophies and 10 gold medals.

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