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RARE MILDARA CABERNET SHIRAZ TO BE SOLD AT WICKMAN'S THIS JANUARY

Adelaide, Australia - January 29, 2008 -- One of Australia's leading online wine auction sites Wickman's, announces highlights of its January fine wine auction.

A rare bottle of 1965 Mildara Bin 34 Cabernet Shiraz leads Wickman's January 31st auction, first released under this label in 1951 and according to Mark Wickman of Wickman's Fine Wine Auctions it is still a sensational drop 43 years later. Wickman said that these early wines are a testament to Australia's wine makers and a potent argument to the condescending judgments passed by those who state that Australian wines do not age.

"Recent reports from wine enthusiasts who have been opening bottles of 1964 Bin 33 and the 1965 Bin 34 as recently as December are full of praise about its amazing nose, sweet fruit, elegance and length," Wickman said. "Wine writers from the sixties, such as the highly respected Dr. Max Lake, were praising its cellaring potential and elegance even then, little realising that wine connoisseurs 40 years later would still be appreciating, and fighting over, the few remaining bottles".

Other selected highlights from Wickman's January Auction are;

- * Seppelts Para Ports from the 30's and 40's in excellent condition inspected & certified by Seppelts in 2007.
- * a private collection of unopened cases of Penfolds Grange, bin 707, Magill Estate and St. Henri from vintages dating back to 1986, all of which have impeccable provenance.
- * a quantity of rare, early vintage, Greenock Creek Roennfeldt Road Shiraz.
- * large quantities of D'arenberg premium shiraz; The Dead Arm, all superbly cellared.
- * signed bottles of Jim Barry's famous wine; The Armagh, from the 1989 vintage.

About Mildara Wines

Mildara wines had its first vintage as early as 1891 at Irymple, Mildura and moved to Merbein in 1914 when the Murray river dried up in one of the worst droughts known at that time. It eventually changed hands a number of times to end up now in the Fosters group portfolio.

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