



INTERNATIONAL  
WINERIES FOR  
CLIMATE ACTION

# About IWCA

Join us in taking collective action to decarbonize the global wine industry.



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# Who We Are

Our community of dozens of inspiring, innovative wineries across the globe is driving tangible climate action.



**We are a collaborative working group of wineries** committed to reducing carbon emissions across the wine industry.

**46** Gold, Silver, and Applicant Member wineries

**11** countries



**IWCA wineries are committed to the same goal:** becoming net zero by 2050 across Scopes 1, 2, and 3, reducing their emissions without relying on the purchase of external offsets.

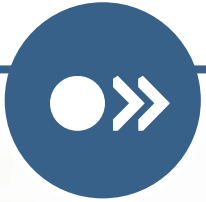




# We're more than just a certification.

We offer wineries concrete tools to measure and reduce their GHG emissions.  
We also connect and facilitate dialogue among our wineries (and with outside experts)  
on strategies to meet net zero goals.

## Wineries join IWCA to:



Drive change and  
raise awareness  
around climate  
change



Learn how to measure  
GHG emissions and  
have a roadmap for  
reducing them



Exchange knowledge  
with some of the  
world's most  
innovative and  
sustainable wineries



Gain recognition as  
part of a global  
campaign



# Meet our Member Wineries



## IWCA Gold Members





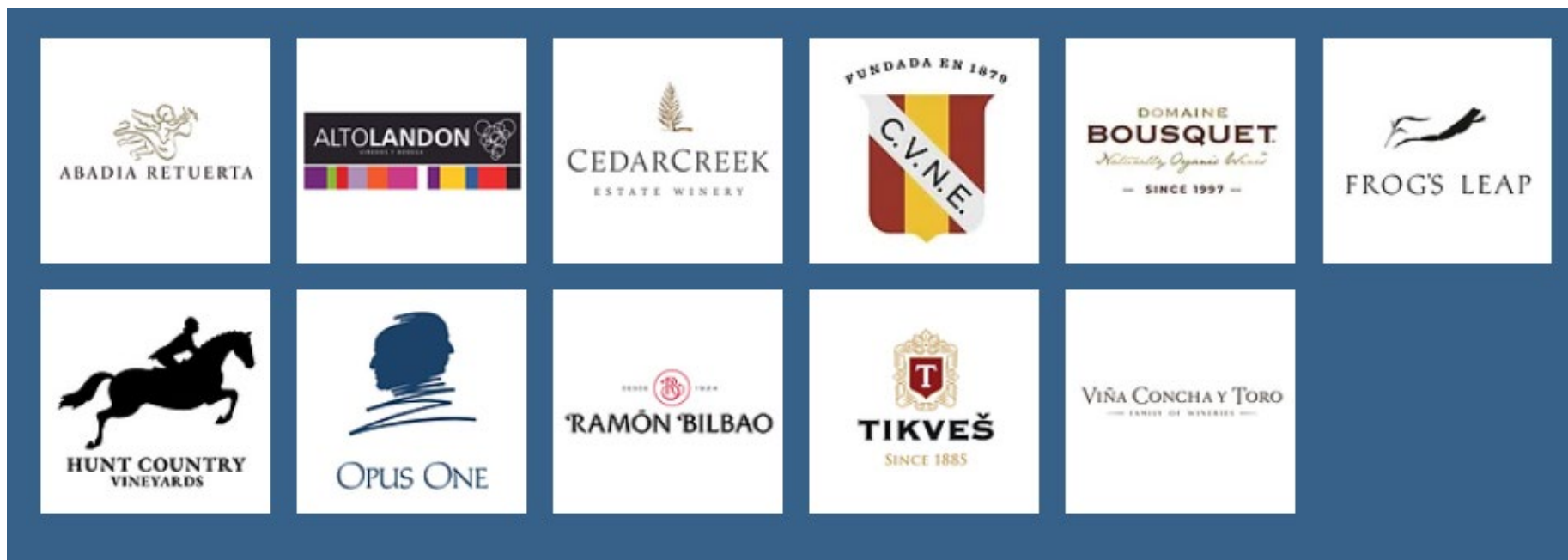
# IWCA Silver Members


						
						
						
						





# IWCA Applicant Wineries





# **IWCA is actively welcoming new members.**

We are open to any winery:

- involved in the production process from grape-growing to bottling
- committed to measuring their emissions and reducing their climate footprint

The following pages share additional information about our membership tiers and how to join. 





# Membership Tiers

Our three-tiered membership approach meets you where you are in your sustainability journey, while helping structure your journey towards reaching Net Zero by 2050.



# IWCA Member Requirements

IWCA has three progressive membership levels:  
**Applicant, Silver, and Gold.**



**APPLICANTS** must meet both of the following:

- ✓ Have completed a baseline GHG emissions inventory (inclusive of at least Scopes 1 and 2) *and/or* have a verifiable plan to complete a baseline Scopes 1-2-3 inventory.
- ✓ Provide IWCA with a written commitment to complete *and* third-party audit a baseline Scopes 1-2-3 inventory within one year.





## SILVER MEMBERS

must meet all the following:

- ✓ Complete a baseline, **third-party verified GHG inventory across Scopes 1, 2, and 3.**
  - ✓ The inventory must cover 90% of the organization's volume within the region where its main winery is located.
  - ✓ The inventory must follow the World Resources Institute Greenhouse Gas Protocol and the ISO-14064 process.
  - ✓ The inventory must be verified by an ISO-14064-3 accredited or CDP accredited auditor.
  - ✓ The inventory must follow IWCA's **GHG Inventory Guidance Document.** ➡
- ✓ **Commit to becoming Net Zero** by no later than 2050 across Scopes 1, 2, and 3 and meet intermediate targets by 2030.





## GOLD MEMBERS

must meet all of the **SILVER LEVEL** requirements **AS WELL AS** the following:

- ✓ Self-generate **onsite renewable energy** equivalent to at least 20% of all energy consumed by the winery.
- ✓ Demonstrate a **consistent reduction of emissions** (per liter of wine produced) over time.
  - ✓ As compared to the baseline year inventory.
  - ✓ The target emissions reduction percentage is proportional towards the winery's Net Zero target for 2050.





# IWCA Membership Fees

## Applicants: One-Time Fee

When joining IWCA, wineries must pay a **one-time** 2 500 € application fee. If the winery qualifies as a small winery (as defined by annual case volume production, in IWCA Standing Rules), the application fee is 1 500 €.

## Silver and Gold Members: Recurring Dues

In order to support IWCA's activities, Members (Silver and Gold) must contribute annual dues:

**Annual fixed fee:** 3 000€

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### Annual Variable Fee Structure:

Annual Case Volume Production (9L cases)	Marginal Fee Rate (per 9L case)
0 to 100,000	€ 0.010
100,000 to 250,000	€ 0.015
250,000 to 500,000	€ 0.020
500,000 to 1,000,000	€ 0.025
More than 1,000,000	€ 0.030



# How to Become a Member Winery

The process, summarized in 5 steps!





## STEP 1

# Get in Touch

Contact IWCA and express your interest in joining.

➤ [Contact Us](#)

We will send you the *IWCA Standing Rules* and *Non-Disclosure Agreement* to review. We will also ask you to supply the necessary documentation to prove that you meet the IWCA entry requirements.



*Minimum requirements to join as an*

### APPLICANT

Involved in the production process from grape-growing to bottling.

**AND**

Completed a baseline GHG emissions inventory (inclusive of at least Scopes 1 and 2) **and/or** a verifiable plan to complete a baseline Scopes 1-2-3 inventory.

**AND**

Provide IWCA with a written commitment to complete *and* third-party audit a baseline Scopes 1-2-3 inventory within one year.





## STEP 2

# Signature & Approval

1. We will help you set up a scoping meeting with the IWCA Executive Director and/or an IWCA Founding Board Member.  
*An opportunity for you to ask questions and for us to learn more about your winery's climate action journey.*
2. You sign both the *IWCA Standing Rules* and *Non-Disclosure Agreement*.
3. IWCA Board of Directors approves your candidature.
4. We send you the countersigned documentation
5. We coordinate on a public announcement of your winery joining the IWCA family.

**CONGRATULATIONS!** *You are now an **IWCA APPLICANT** and part of our globally recognized, rigorous movement for climate action!*







## STEP 3

# Measure Your GHG Footprint

Within 1 year of joining IWCA, wineries must complete and audit a baseline Scopes 1-2-3 GHG emissions inventory.



### REQUIRED COMPONENTS

Your winery's GHG inventory *must follow* IWCA's **GHG Emissions Inventory Guidance Document**. [↗](#)



### EXTERNAL HELP

You may need to ask for help compiling your inventory. We can provide a list of GHG consultants familiar with IWCA, if helpful.



### IWCA TOOLS

Wineries in Australia, New Zealand, and the U.S. can make use of IWCA's own (and free!) **GHG emissions calculators**. [↗](#)





## STEP 4

# Audit Your GHG Inventory

Contact your preferred audit firm (**must be ISO-14064-3 accredited or CDP accredited**) and engage them to verify your inventory.

You may consult our (non-exhaustive) [list of accredited auditors](#). ➤





## STEP 4 (CONTINUED)

### Important items to keep in mind:

- If your preferred audit firm is not listed on our **list of accredited auditors**, verify that the firm is ISO-14064-3 accredited *or* accredited as a solutions provider in CDP's Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory services area.
- Send your auditor the ***Process for Audit Companies to Evaluate IWCA Membership Requirements*** document. This document outlines the paperwork your auditor must complete for you to achieve IWCA Member status.
- When finalizing your audit service contract:
  - (1) confirm that your auditor will verify your GHG emissions inventory to the **ISO-14064-1 standard**, consistent with the WRI GHG Protocol,
  - (2) confirm that your auditor **understands and agrees to complete** the required IWCA paperwork, as outlined in the *Process* document, and
  - (3) ask your auditor to **contact IWCA** ([iwca@merid.org](mailto:iwca@merid.org)) so that we can send them the most up-to-date IWCA paperwork to complete.





## STEP 5

# Approval from IWCA

1. Once your audit is complete, your auditor submits to IWCA the required audit paperwork.

You and your auditor should proactively contact IWCA if there are any questions, delays, or concerns as the audit gets underway.

2. The IWCA Secretariat and Board will review your audit paperwork for completeness.

We will touch base with you and your auditor to resolve any issues.

3. If all requirements are met, the Board will approve your upgrade to IWCA Member status (Silver or Gold, as relevant).

**CONGRATULATIONS!** *You are now an **IWCA Silver or Gold Member!***





# In our Members' Words

A likeminded community, practical strategies and tools,  
a global platform for positive action—all reasons our  
member wineries value being part of IWCA.





Being an IWCA Member **encourages us** to continue making progress on climate change. The **recognition** lends a sense of urgency to our continued efforts to **improve and innovate** regarding our decarbonization strategy by setting increasingly ambitious, challenging goals from the vineyard to the bottle.

**CAROLINA GOTUZZO**

Corporate Affairs and Sustainability Director  
VSPT Wine Group (Chile)





“Becoming part of the International Wineries for Climate Action (IWCA) community in 2021 has helped us **focus and prioritize** our plans and efforts, particularly with regards to greenhouse gas emissions and carbon neutrality. Working with **like-minded wineries** from around the globe, we all **learn from each other** as we strive to reach the necessary milestones to **build a better future for all**.

**LOUISA ROSE AND HEATHER FRASER**

Winemakers & Sustainability Leaders

Hill-Smith Family Estates (South Australia)







Spottswode deeply values our association with IWCA. It has allowed us to **create a roadmap** for the next ten years to lower our GHG emissions, bringing this mission into our business decision-making process. We greatly benefit from **IWCA's guidance** and the **sharing amongst wineries** as we navigate this path. This is a **unique community of winegrowers** around the world who share our values.

**BETH NOVAK MILLIKEN**

President and CEO

Spottswode Estate Vineyard and Winery (California, USA)







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