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**“Château Mercian Yamanashi Muscat Bailey A 2017” Wins Gold in the Japanese Wine (Red) Division of “Hong Kong Washu Awards 2020” for Japanese Drinks  
Silver Medals for “Château Mercian Tamamoro Koshu Kiiroka 2018” and “Château Mercian Yamanashi Koshu 2018”**

**TOKYO, Friday, January 22, 2021-** “Château Mercian Muscat Bailey A 2017” from Mercian Corporation won gold in the Japanese Wine (Red) Division of “Hong Kong Washu Awards 2020” for Japanese drinks, held in Hong Kong on Thu 12 November 2020.

“Château Mercian Tamamoro Koshu Kiiroka 2018” and “Château Mercian Yamanashi Koshu 2018” also won silver in the Japanese Wine (White) Division, a total of three award-winning *Château Mercian* wines in the same competition.

One of Japan’s leading wineries, *Château Mercian* produces wines of exquisite quality. They are committed to communicating this quality in Japan and globally in order to increase brand recognition and contribute to the development of the Japanese wine industry.

● **The Hong Kong Washu Awards**

The Hong Kong Washu Awards was set up to evaluate Japanese drinks and held for the first time this year as part of the long-standing Restaurant & Bar Hong Kong × Gourmet Asia exhibition. Judging is by a team of female wine educators, winemakers, wine journalists and other food industry professionals, led by Miss SAKE Hong Kong, an ambassador for sake and Japanese culture.

● **Award-Winning Mercian Corporation Wines**

• **Japanese Wine (Red) Division: *Château Mercian Muscat Bailey A 2017***

Gently infused with aromas reminiscent of red fruit alongside spice and oak-derived vanilla, this wine has an exquisite balance of pleasant acidity and soft tannins.

• **Japanese Wine (White) Division: *Château Mercian Tamamoro Koshu Kiiroka 2018***

This wine has a harmonious blend of Japanese citrus fruit aromas, such as yuzu and kabosu, and fresh acidity.

• **Japanese Wine (White) Division: *Château Mercian Yamanashi Koshu 2018***

Made from the indigenous Japanese *Koshu grape* variety long grown in Yamanashi Prefecture, this wine is dry with plentiful umami and solid depth.



True to our wine business slogan of “Creating a pleasant future with wine,” Mercian Corporation will continue to offer wines that bring people together to enjoy each other’s company and spend quality time.

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| 1. Contest name:           | Hong Kong Washu Awards 2020   |
| 2. Location:               | Hong Kong   |
| 3. Judging:                | Thu 12 November 2020  |
| 4. Our Award-Winning Wines | Château Mercian Yamanashi Muscat Bailey A 2017: Gold, Japanese Wine (Red) Division<br>Château Mercian Tamamoro Koshu Kiiroka 2018: Silver, Japanese Wine (White) Division<br>Château Mercian Yamanashi Koshu 2018: Silver, Japanese Wine (White) Division |