



## Argentina Wine Awards 2010 - International Judges

### Madeleine Stenwreth MW

Nationality: **Swedish**

Resident: **Sweden**

Year MW: **2008**



Madeleine Stenwreth was raised in a restaurateur-family which created a spark for her passion for wine. F&B management was followed by studies to become one of the first Swedish Sommeliers in 1990.

Her love for travels led her to a year as an exchange student in USA and a year backpacking around the world before deciding on career direction. The study years also involved time in Spain, Germany, UK, USA and South Africa.

Madeleine spent a year managing a 5 star Relais Chateaux restaurant and sommelier department in the Cape winelands where her passion for South African wines grew strong. This led her to running her own wine consultancy business in Sweden with Wines of South Africa as a major client.

In 2002 she completed the WSET Diploma (with Honors) in London. During the years 2004-2007 she worked as a wine purchaser at Systembolaget in Sweden where South America and South Africa were among her major buying responsibilities.

2008 Madeleine became a Master of Wine, one of two MW's in Sweden. Madeleine's dissertation on "The effect of altitude on Malbec in Mendoza" was rewarded "The Best Dissertation of the year" by the Institute of Masters of Wine.

Today Madeleine runs her consultancy business, focusing on wine quality and product development for the Scandinavian market.

She is married with two children.

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