

# 8Wines included in FT 1000: the ranking of Europe's fastest-growing companies

Purcari Wineries PCL (**BVB**: WINE; henceforth "Group", "Company"), is delighted to announce that <u>8Wines</u>, a Czech-based fast growing online retail platform in which the Group has a 10% ownership stake, has been included in <u>The Financial Times 1000</u>: the ranking of Europe's fastest-growing companies.

8Wines ranked the 8<sup>th</sup> out of the 22 nominated companies within the Food & Beverages sector. Furthermore, it is the only Czech-based company nominated in its sector, with a revenue CAGR of 67.7% over the period from 2019 to 2022.

"We are honoured to be included in this year's FT 1000 and to be acknowledged as one of Europe's fastest-growing companies. We offer a unique wine selection, also rare finds, excellent prices, and superior customer service, including very attractive shipping rates, which has led to increasing numbers of happy customers choosing 8Wines as their go-to option for their quality wine needs. This recognition serves as a great motivation for all of us at 8Wines to continue developing and improving as a company, while also ensuring a continuous healthy financial growth", said Vasily Dinkov, 8Wines Co-founder and CEO.

## About 8Wines Czech Republic s.r.o.

8Wine's value proposition centers on offering to consumers a wide selection of premium wines, including rare finds and hidden gems, as well as an impeccable service. The company offers very competitive and expedient shipping terms, for deliveries to over 40 markets, primarily in Europe, but extending as far away as Australia and Singapore. With its operational base in Prague (Czechia), 8Wines runs a lean operation, allowing it to also offer attractive prices to consumers, in addition to the excellent service, which translates in an average customer satisfaction score of 4.92/5.00 on Trusted Shops. The company has been awarded Gold medals from Wine-Searcher three years in a row for its wine selection, which includes one of the most extensive portfolios of New World wines in Europe.

On 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2021, Purcari Wineries purchased a 10% ownership interest in 8Wines Czech Republic s.r.o. (8Wines), a Czech-based fast growing online retail platform. The Group neither has any significant influence, nor is it involved in the management of 8Wines, therefore, the ownership interest in 8Wines accounts as equity instruments at fair value.

#### **About Purcari Wineries PCL**

Purcari Wineries Public Company Limited (with its brands: Purcari, Crama Ceptura, Bostavan, Bardar, Domeniile Cuza and Angel's Estate) is one of the largest wine and brandy groups in the Central and Eastern European (CEE) Region. The Group manages around 1,450 hectares of vineyards and operates seven production platforms in Romania, Moldova, and Bulgaria. Purcari Wineries is the leader in the Premium wine segment in Romania with a 30% segment share and the largest wine exporter from Moldova, delivering to over 40 countries. Founded in 1827, Chateau Purcari is the most awarded winery of the CEE Region at Decanter London 2015-2023, as well as among the best ranked wineries on Vivino, with an average score of 4.1

out of 5.0, based on over 94,000 reviews. Since February 2018, the Group is listed on the Bucharest Stock Exchange under the ticker WINE. Purcari Wineries is led by Victor Bostan, a veteran with more than 30 years of experience in the wine business and is endorsed by top institutional investors such as: Horizon Capital, Fiera Capital, Conseq, East Capital and Norges Bank.

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