

Vintner with a winning formula



RAISING A GLASS: Emily Searle of The Oxford Wine Company celebrates being rated the eighth best independent wine merchant in the UK

FORGET France, California or South Africa, some of the finest wines in the world can be found with a trip down the Botley Road.

The Oxford Wine Company saw off the competition from hundreds of businesses across the UK to be rated in the top 10 wine merchants.

The company came in at number eight in a top 50 list compiled by judges from the wine trade for a competition organised by Harpers Wine & Spirit Magazine.

The Oxford Wine Company owner and managing director Ted Sandbach said: "It's very satisfying when your fellow members of the wine trade vote for you and to be named amongst the top 10 independent wine merchants in the UK is a great honour. We respect and work with many of the merchants in the top 50 and are delighted to be flying the flag for independents in our area."