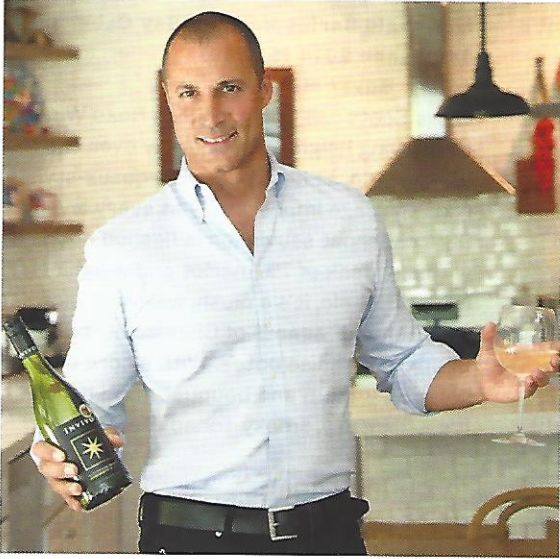




BY THE GLASS

New Zealand wine, beer and cider making a splash on the world stage, celebrating the first female master blender and some super fun collaborations – YVONNE LORKIN rounds up the latest from the world of drinks.



STRIKE A POSE... You know what they say, leadership is about delegation, using someone else's skills to help you look good – hence why Tim Lightbourne and Rob Cameron of Invivo Wines have taken on the services of US “glambassador” Nigel Barker. As a former model, judge and photographer on *America's Next Top Model*, he's aiding Invivo's effort to become America's Next Top Sip.

First introduced to Invivo five years ago, Nigel developed a crush on their pinot noir and struck up a friendship with Tim and Rob, who soon began smuggling his favourite wine to the US. “However, now having our wine available to US customers for the first time and having Nigel onboard, it's very exciting. We're looking forward to running some unique campaigns with Nigel and having some fun reaching out to US wine lovers,” says Tim.