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Cincinnati International Wine Festival Awards Top Honors to Winery Winners of 2022 Wine Competition

More than 100 wineries competed for medals and industry accolades in this ‘Olympics for winemakers.’

CINCINNATI – April 27, 2022 – The Cincinnati International Wine Festival is pleased to announce the winners of its nationally recognized wine competition, as it prepares to host wine lovers from far and wide at its upcoming festival in May.

More than 100 wineries from around the world participated in the highly regarded Cincinnati International Wine Festival Competition held at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza on April 8. The prestigious competition recognizes outstanding wine quality in the form of gold, silver and bronze medals.

A panel of 50 professionally trained judges swirled, sipped and sniffed more than 300 wines utilizing a modified blind tasting format where grape types and origins were revealed, but not the wineries, wine names or vintage.

“Tasting and judging 300+ wines may seem like a fun job, but it’s actually very difficult,” said Cincinnati International Wine Festival Executive Director Brad Huberman. “Our judges adhere to a strict evaluation with impeccable standards to ensure fairness and absolute credible results.”

Scoring sheets were collected, tabulated, double-checked and sealed by an independent third party. Results were then confidentially returned to the Cincinnati International Wine Festival leadership, and medals were awarded.

Organizers encourage the community to come taste the wines for themselves at the upcoming festival, May 19-21, which is returning to its full schedule of in-person events for the first time since 2019. The weekend-long festival features exclusive winery dinners at restaurants across the city, grand tastings at the Duke Energy Convention Center, a silent auction, charity auction, luncheon and more. There is something for everyone and it’s all for a great cause.

Festival proceeds benefit 30+ local charities with programs dedicated to the arts, education, health and human services. The festival has donated more than \$6.5 million to local non-profits since it was founded in 1991.

View the full list of medal winners, the complete festival schedule, purchase tickets and more at winefestival.com.

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About the Cincinnati International Wine Festival

The Cincinnati International Wine Festival is a Cincinnati-based 501(c)(3) organization established to raise funds for local charities through the celebration of the wine industry. It features 700 wines from 100 wineries across the globe, all for a great cause. The festival benefits 30+ Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky arts, education, and health and human services charities, and has raised more than \$6.5 million since 1991. Learn more at winefestival.com.

2022 Cincinnati International Wine Festival Competition Winners

Medal	Wine	Vintage
GOLD	Fritz Haag Brauneberger Kabinett Riesling	2019
GOLD	Bieler Pere et Fils Rose	2021
GOLD	Aia Vecchia Toscana Lagone	2018
GOLD	Firesteed Pinot Noir	2020
GOLD	Baileyana Firepeak Pinot Noir	2018
GOLD	Simi Russian River Valley Pinot Noir	2019
GOLD	La Playa Chardonnay	2021
GOLD	Rombauer Chardonnay	2020
GOLD	Nortico Alvarinho	2020
GOLD	Chateau Kamnik Winemakers Selection White blend	2020
GOLD	Oyster Bay Sauvignon Blanc	2021
GOLD	Round Pond Rutherford Estate Sauvignon Blanc	2019
GOLD	Les Hauts de Lagarde Blanc	2020
GOLD	J. Vineyards Pinot Gris	2021
GOLD	Catena Alta Malbec	2018
GOLD	Andrea Formilli Fendi Casafranca Umbria IGT	2017
GOLD	Highlands 41 Black Granite	2019
GOLD	Kim Crawford Prosecco	NV
GOLD	Champagne Palmer Brut Reserve	NV
GOLD	59 Prime Cabernet Sauvignon	2019
GOLD	H3 Cabernet Sauvignon	2019
GOLD	Coppola Diamond Collection Claret	2018
GOLD	True Myth Cabernet Sauvignon	2018
GOLD	Beckman Vineyards SYV Cabernet Sauvignon	2017



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GOLD	Barefoot Peach Fruitscato	NV
GOLD	VINOKLET LaDolce Vita	2017
GOLD	Delille Cellars 'D2' Estate Red	2018
GOLD	Ramey Claret	2017
SILVER	Empire Estate Dry Riesling	2018
SILVER	DAOU Rose	2021
SILVER	Chateau Ste. Eulalie Minvervois La Liviniere "La Cantilene"	2016
SILVER	JUSTIN Isosceles	2018
SILVER	Chateau d'Armailhac	2018
SILVER	Storyteller Pinot Noir	2019
SILVER	Decoy Limited Pinot Noir	2019
SILVER	Sanford Pinot Noir	2019
SILVER	Louis Latour Ardeche Chardonnay	2019
SILVER	Oyster Bay Chardonnay	2020
SILVER	Baileyana Firepeak Chardonnay	2018
SILVER	Biokult Naken Orange	2020
SILVER	M. Chapoutier Belleruche Côtes-du-Rhône Blanc	2020
SILVER	Catena Appellations White Clay	2021
SILVER	Ferrari Carano Fume Blanc	2021
SILVER	La Playa Sauvignon Blanc	2021
SILVER	Duckhorn Vineyards Sauvignon Blanc	2021
SILVER	Riff Pinot Grigio	2020
SILVER	H3 Merlot	2018
SILVER	Michael David 6th Sense Syrah	2019
SILVER	Federalist Lodi Zinfandel	2018
SILVER	Old Soul Zinfandel	2019
SILVER	Campo Viejo Gran Reserva Rioja	2016
SILVER	Vina Robles The Arborist Red Blend	2019
SILVER	Saracco Moscato d'Asti DOP	2021
SILVER	Gran Campo Viejo Brut Reserva Cava	NV
SILVER	MAWBY 'Sex' Brut Rose	NV
SILVER	San Simeon Cabernet Sauvignon	2019
SILVER	Hawkstone Cabernet Sauvignon	2018
SILVER	J. Lohr "Hilltop" Cabernet Sauvignon	2019
SILVER	Kith & Kin Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon	2019
SILVER	Raymond Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon	2019



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SILVER	Greg Norman Estates Limestone Coast Cabernet Sauvignon	2018
SILVER	St. James Sparkling Strawberry	NV
SILVER	Bully Hill Love My Goat Red	NV
SILVER	Round Barn Black Walnut Cream	NV
SILVER	Allegrini Palazzo della Torre	2017
SILVER	The Arsonist Red Blend	2018
BRONZE	Seppeltsfield 'Eden Valley' Riesling	2019
BRONZE	Mezzacorona Delisa Rose Pinot Grigio	2021
BRONZE	Beckmen Vineyards Cuvee Le Bec	2019
BRONZE	Chateau Kamnik Carmenere	2019
BRONZE	Angel's Ink Pinot Noir	2020
BRONZE	Landmark Pinot Noir	2018
BRONZE	Flowers Pinot Noir	2019
BRONZE	Belle Glos "Eulenloch" Vineyard Pinot Noir	2019
BRONZE	The Arsonist Chardonnay	2019
BRONZE	Decoy Chardonnay	2019
BRONZE	Hess Panthera Chardonnay	2018
BRONZE	Darioush Signature Chardonnay	2019
BRONZE	Cantina Pedres Thilibas Vermentino di Gallura DOCG	2018
BRONZE	Wairau River Sauvignon Blanc	2021
BRONZE	Cline North Coast Sauvignon Blanc	2021
BRONZE	Rombauer Sauvignon Blanc	2021
BRONZE	Oyster Bay Pinot Gris	2021
BRONZE	Rombauer Merlot	2018
BRONZE	Torbreck Woodcutter Shiraz	2020
BRONZE	Spring Valley Nina Lee Syrah	2014
BRONZE	Labryinth Petite Sirah	2018
BRONZE	Villadoria Bricco Magno Langhe Nebbiolo DOC	2016
BRONZE	Garcia Carrion Pata Negra Toro	2019
BRONZE	Giguiere Estate Pillars of Hercules Red Blend	2020
BRONZE	Paraduxx Proprietary Red Blend	2019
BRONZE	Rotari Sparkling Brut DOC	2016
BRONZE	dePro Cava Rose	NV
BRONZE	Piper Sonoma Brut	NV
BRONZE	Chateau Ste. Michelle Luxe Brut Rose	NV
BRONZE	Luke Columbia Valley Cabernet Sauvignon	2019



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BRONZE	Chateau Ste. Michelle Columbia Valley Cabernet Sauvignon	2018
BRONZE	J. Lohr "Pure Paso" Red Blend	2019
BRONZE	Round Pond Rutherford/ Oakville Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	2019
BRONZE	Lapostolle Cuvee Alexandre Cabernet Sauvignon	2019
BRONZE	Catena Alta Cabernet Sauvignon	2018
BRONZE	Bully Hill Sweet Walter Pineapple	NV
BRONZE	Round Barn Red Sangria	NV
BRONZE	Reggae Red	2018
BRONZE	Belasco Llama Malbec	2019
BRONZE	Finca El Origen Gran Reserva Malbec	2017