

OC FAIR
HOME WINE
COMPETITION



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Orange County Wine Society (OCWS), in partnership with the OC Fair, is pleased to announce the winners of the 2023 OC Fair Home Wine Competition. The 47th annual competition received 595 entries this year from all over California and awarded 68 Double Gold medals and 95 Gold medals.

BEST OF SHOW WINNERS

Red

Don & Pam Brennan, 2021, Cabernet Sauvignon (80% Cabernet Sauvignon & 20% Petite Sirah) – Chino, CA

White

Brad Bunkelman, 2019, Other Varietal White (100% Torrontes GRE) – Alan Hancock College Vineyard, Santa Maria, CA

Dessert

Carmen Babcock, 2022, Other Fortified (Black Forest style wine, notes of cherry and chocolate) – La Mesa, CA

Fruit

Robert Joakimson, 2023, Berry Fruit (Black Raspberry) – Concord, CA

OCWS (a 501(c)3 corporation) has been hosting the OC Fair Home Wine Competition for over four decades. OCWS boasts over 1,000 wine enthusiast members who volunteer their time to present one of the largest competitions of California home wines. In addition to running the OC Fair Commercial and Home Wine Competitions, the OCWS has donated over \$780,000 in scholarships to eight California institutions with wine-related educational programs. This wine competition is unique because of its double-blind judging.

A complete list of the winning wines from the OC Fair Home Wine Competition can be view at <https://hwcr.ocws.org>. This year's **OC Fair "Happy Together"** runs from July 14th through August 13th, Wednesday through Sunday.

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