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### Orange County Wine Society Announces the Winners of the 2025 OC Fair Commercial Wine Competition

Orange County Wine Society (OCWS), in partnership with the OC Fair, is pleased to announce the winners of the 2025 OC Fair Commercial Wine Competition. The 49<sup>th</sup> annual competition received 2,465 entries from hundreds of wineries this year. Wines were divided into 132 varietal categories and then judged by price range and sugar level. Wines were judged by 90 professional winemakers and winery owners. In addition to the 19 Best of Class medals (listed below), the competition also awarded 150 Double Gold medals and 484 Gold medals in addition to silver and bronze medals. This year's top varietals were Cabernet Sauvignon, Sauvignon Blanc, and Chardonnay. Entries included some unique varietals such as Arinto, Biancolella, Blaufrankisch, Dobricic, Greco, Marquette, Marselan, Peloursin, Saint Laurent, Schippentino, Tinta Cao, and Trebbiano. Of note making a comeback this year was non-alcoholic wine!

#### **BEST OF CLASS WINNERS**

##### **Best of Class – Red Varietals**

Premium Price Level

**ONX Wines, 2020 "Reckoning"** (Templeton Gap District AVA) 96 Points

High Price Level

**Pear Valley Estate Wine, 2022 Charbono** (Paso Robles Geneseo District AVA) 97 Points

Medium Price Level

**Country Road Wine Cellars, 2023 Malbec** (Clarksburg AVA) 95 Points

Low Price Level

**1924 – Delicato Family Wines, 2023 Cabernet Sauvignon Bourbon Barrel Aged** (Lodi AVA) 95 Points

##### **Best of Class – White Varietals**

Premium Price Level

**Navarro Vineyards & Winery, 2024 "Deep End" Pinot Grigio** (Anderson Valley AVA) 95 Points

High Price Level

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**Wiens Cellars, 2024 Arneis (Temecula Valley AVA) 97 Points**

Medium Price Level

**Cannonball – Share A Splash Wine Co., 2023 Chardonnay (California) 95 Points**

Low Price Level

**McManis Family Vineyards, 2024 Viognier (River Junction AVA) 95 Points**

**Best of Class – Rosé Wines**

Premium Price Level

**Wine Guy & Wine Gal Family Wines from Sonoma, 2024 “Judith Ann Rosé” (Rosé of Pinot Noir) (Russian River Valley AVA) 96 Points**

High Price Level

**Bella Grace Vineyards, 2024 “Bella Rosé” (Rosé Rhone Varietals) (Amador County) 97 Points**

Medium Price Level

**Langhart & Hill, 2022 Rosé (Rosé of Merlot) (Russian River Valley AVA) 91 Points**

Low Price Level

**TwiningVine LLC, 2023 Rosé (Rosé of Merlot) (Livermore Valley AVA) 93 Points**

**Best of Class – Dessert Wines**

Premium Price Level

**Rancho de Philo Vineyard and Winery, NV “Triple Cream Sherry” (California) 97 Points**

High Price Level

**Sunce Winery & Vineyard, 2019 Muscat Port (Clarksburg AVA) 95 Points**

Medium Price Level

**Jeff Runquist “R”, 2024 Muscat Canelli (San Joaquin Valley, River Junction AVA) 93 Points**

Low Price Level

**Bonterra Organic Estates - Fetzer, NV Ruby Port (California) 90 Points**

**Best of Class – Sparkling Wines**

Premium Price Level

**Big Nose Winery LLC, 2023 “Jan’s Sparkling Rosé” (Napa Valley AVA) 95 Points**

High Price Level

**pureCru Winery, 2023 Brut Rosé Cuvée XXIII (Lodi AVA) 95 Points**

Medium Price Level

**Korbel Champagne Cellars, NV Extra Dry, Methode Champenoise (California) 90 Points**

OCWS (a 501(c)3 corporation) has been hosting the OC Fair Commercial Wine Competition for over four decades. OCWS boasts over 1,000 wine enthusiast members who volunteer their time to present the largest competition of California only wines in the world. In addition to running the OC Fair Commercial and Home Wine Competitions, OCWS has donated over \$946,000 in scholarships to eight California institutions

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with wine-related educational programs. This wine competition is unique because of its double-blind judging by commercial winery owners and winemakers. The competition also has no entry fee, making it accessible to all California wineries, large and small.

Wine entries from the OC Fair Commercial Wine Competition can be enjoyed during the OC Fair at the Wine Courtyard, which is also hosted by the OCWS. This year's [OC Fair](#) "**Find Your Happy**" runs from July 18<sup>th</sup> through August 17<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday through Sunday. The Wine Courtyard features wine tasting, wine by the glass, wine seminars, and featured wineries.

Go to [WineCompetition.com](https://WineCompetition.com) to view all the medal winners from the 2025 OC Fair Commercial Wine Competition (and previous years). This results website allows consumers to search for award-winning wines based on several search categories including varietals, award, price level, winery name, and more.

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