



## Results of the 2025 Amateur Wine Competition Chantilly, Virginia

### Special Awards:

<b>Best in Show:</b>	<b>Michael Rinker Kennewick, WA</b>	<b>2023 "Wahluke Slope Syrah"</b>
<b>Best White Vinifera:</b>	Paul Lequeux North Tonawanda, NY	2024 "Pinot Gris"
<b>Best Red Vinifera:</b>	Michael Rinker Kennewick, WA	2023 "Wahluke Slope Syrah"
<b>Best White Hybrid:</b>	Larry Roux N Syracuse, NY	2024 "Aromella"
<b>Best Red Hybrid:</b>	Dave Flegle Indiana, PA	2024 "Ives"
<b>Best Native:</b>	Edward Stopper Williamsport, PA	2024 "Niagara"
<b>Best Mixed:</b>	Mickey Krauss Seven Valleys, PA	2022 blend of Traminette and Riesling
<b>Best Rosé:</b>	Katrina & James Berg Fredericksburg, VA	2024 "Reserve California Pinot Noir Rosé"
<b>Best Fruit Wine:</b>	Richard Adams Fredericksburg, VA	2024 "Red Raspberry"
<b>Best Dessert Wine:</b>	Gary Correia San Diego, CA	2018 "2018 Port Style"
<b>Best Mead</b>	Dr. Hugh Vrablic Lansford, PA	2024 "ButterBeer Mead"
<b>Best Estate Wine:</b>	Richard Adams Fredericksburg, VA	2024 "Red Raspberry"
<b>Best Kit Wine:</b>	Katrina & James Berg Fredericksburg, VA	2024 "Reserve California Pinot Noir Rosé"
<b>Best Label</b> <small>Displayed at the End of the List</small>	Jeffrey Fisher & Donna Lombardo Fisher, Perkiomenville, PA	2024 "Giesling"

### **A list of all awarded medals follows.**

**112** winemakers won a total of **220** bronze medals,  
**109** silver, **12** gold, and **19** double gold.

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<u>Winemaker(s)</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Wine</u>	<u>Medal</u>
Richard Adams	Fredericksburg, VA	2024 Red Raspberry	Double Gold
		2023 Black Raspberry	Silver
		2025 Rhubarb	Silver
		2025 Rhubarb	Bronze
Nelson Allen	Stanardsville, VA	2018 RJS Craft Winemaking, Super Tuscan (kit)	Silver
Cassandra Anderson	Plano, TX	2022 CassioPeary Organic Pear Wine	Bronze
		2023 Wild Persimmon Organic Wine	Bronze
Joseph Balducci	Cranston, RI	2024 Sergio Balducci Vineyards	Bronze
Lamont Beers	Eden, NY	2024 Traminette	Double Gold
		2024 Aromella/Traminette Blend	Gold
		2023 Chardonnay	Silver
		2024 Riesling	Silver
		2024 Aromella Blend	Silver
		2023 Vidal Ice Wine	Silver
		2024 Vidal Ice Wine	Silver
		2023 Purple Raspberry Blend	Silver
		2024 Purple Raspberry Blend	Silver
		2024 Strawberry	Silver
2024 Aromella	Bronze		
John Benson	Oakland, CA	2023 Pura Vida Vineyards 2023 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
		2024 Pura Vida Vineyards 2024 Red Blend	Bronze
Katrina & James Berg	Fredericksburg, VA	2024 Reserve California Pinor Noir Rose	Double Gold
		2024 Sauvignon Blanc	Silver
Darryl Breeden	Staten Island, NY	2024 T'omas	Bronze
Mitch Buschkopf	Horicon, WI	2024 Red Stone	Bronze
Rich Caldropoli	Tarrytown, NY	2023 Cabernet Sauvignon	Silver
Luke Capotosto & Barbara Medeiros	Cranston, RI	2024 Cranberry	Double Gold
		2024 Berry Blend	Silver
		2024 Syrah	Bronze
		2024 Plum	Bronze

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Thomas & Janice Cobett	Strongsville, OH	2024 Albartino	Bronze
		2024 Petite Sirah	Bronze
Mike & Becky Conceicao	Fredericksburg, VA	2024 Amorabella Chardonnay Reserve	Bronze
		2022 Amorabella Sangiovese Reserve	Bronze
Gary Correia	San Diego, CA	2018 2018 Port Style	Gold
		2019 2019 Zinfandel	Silver
Donna Cruz & Daniel J. Cohen	Hackensack, NJ	2023 Newman, Simpson & Cohen, LLP - Reserve Bordeaux	Bronze
Nicholas D'Angelo	New York, NY	2024 Chardonnay	Bronze
Deborah Danielson	Las Vegas, NV	2020 My Forty-Year Legacy	Silver
Robert Davis	Bethlehem, PA	2024 Aromella 2	Silver
		2024 Vidal	Bronze
		2024 Traminette	Bronze
		2023 Vincent 1	Bronze
		2024 Macky	Bronze
Rodney Davis Carla N Davis	Colonial Beach, VA	2025 Miss Anne	Bronze
Marguerite De Ianni & Matthew Bisi	Hillsdale, NJ	2024 Amador Pinot Noir	Bronze
Anthony Derienzo	Secaucus, NJ	2023 DeRienzo Famiglia Vineyards: "Lineage"	Silver
Thomas Devine	Bangor, PA	2024 Blue Chambourcin	Bronze
Bud Dimaggio	Schererville, IN	2023 Syrah	Double Gold
		2022 Super Tuscan Style Red Blend	Silver
Les Dupuy & Amy Shurtleff	Frederick, MD	2023 Super Tuscan	Double Gold
		2024 Albarino	Silver
		2020 Left Bank Red	Silver
		2022 Chardonnay	Bronze
		2021 Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
		2021 Syrah	Bronze
		2022 Pinot Noir	Bronze
2022 Paso Blend	Bronze		

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Joseph Fiola	Keedysville, MD	NV White Reserve Blend	Silver
		NV Tawny Port	Silver
		2022 Carmenere	Bronze
		NV Veneto Red Reserve	Bronze
		NV Heart-Healthy Red	Bronze
		NV Charternes	Bronze
Jeffrey Fisher & Donna Lombardo Fisher	Perkiomenville, PA	2024 Dark Shadows	Double Gold
		2022 Chardonnay	Silver
		2023 Chile Cuvee	Silver
		2024 Chile Cuvee	Silver
		2023 Chiletage	Silver
		2023 Queen's Blend	Silver
		2024 Giesling	Bronze
		2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
		2020 Petite Sirah	Bronze
		2020 Montepulciano	Bronze
2023 Chambourcin Blend	Bronze		
Dave Flegle	Indiana, PA	2024 Ives	Silver
		2025 Cranberry Cherry Mead	Bronze
Jesse Flores	Downey, CA	2017 Hidden Journey	Silver
		2021 Destination Unknown	Bronze
		2019 Oh La La	Bronze
Scott Gatarz & Eric Moore	Monroe Township, NJ	2024 Maggie's Song	Silver
		2023 Fire and Rain Syrah	Bronze
		2022 Something Fine	Bronze
		2022 For A Dancer	Bronze
George Giorgadze	Barrington, IL	2024 ZEDASHÈ WINES - PETITE SIRAH	Bronze
Maureen Golla	Spring, TX	2022 Jalapeno Lime Cookin' Wiine	Bronze
		2018 Pumpkin Spice	Bronze

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Chuck Gower & Cher Dipanfilo	Boulder, CO	2021 cabernet sauvignon	Silver
		2018 cabernet sauvignon	Bronze
		2018 cabernet sauvignon	Bronze
		2019 cabernet sauvignon	Bronze
		2023 pinot noir	Bronze
		2024 piont noir	Bronze
Ed Green	Cary, NC	2024 3dB Merlot	Silver
		2023 3dB Pinot Noir	Bronze
		2023 3dB Sangiovese	Bronze
Gordon Gribble	Dunsinane Drive, NH	2024 Boysenberry	Silver
		2014 Chardonnay	Bronze
		2024 Gruner Veltliner	Bronze
		2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
		2022 Syrah	Bronze
		2022 Malbec	Bronze
		2024 Boysenberry	Bronze
		2024 Boysenberry	Bronze
2024 Cabernet Boysenberry Port	Bronze		
Albert Guber	Bristow, VA	2015 Cabernet Sauvignon	Silver
		2016 Full House	Silver
		2014 Inside Straight	Bronze
Stephen Habay	Middletown, DE	2024 Blueberry Wine	Silver
		2025 Strawberry Wine	Bronze
		NV Cherry-Pom Grapple	Bronze
Wayne Handschur	Centreville, MD	2024 Chesapeake Blue	Bronze
		2024 Breezy Berry	Bronze
John Hanyok	Fairfax, VA	2025 Black Cherry Port Style, Virginia Farm Cherry's	Silver
		2021 Merlot, Stag's Leap California	Bronze
		2023 Merlot, Stag's Leap California	Bronze
		2024 Blackberry Wine, Virginia Farm Blackberry's	Bronze
Taylor Hayden	Dorset, OH	NV Strawberry White Zinfandel	Gold
		NV Gewurztraminer Elderberry	Silver

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Gerald Hemmer Jr	Clyde, OH	2025 G & J Cinnamon Mead	Silver
Dave & Monica Holy	Bridgeton, MO	2024 Chardonel #14	Gold
		2024 Vignoles #13	Bronze
Michal Jacyna	East Aurora, NY	2023 Chardonnay	Silver
		2022 Chardonnay	Bronze
		2022 Zinfandel	Bronze
		2023 Baco Noir	Bronze
Robert Joakimson	Concord, CA	2023 Sparkling Vermentino	Silver
		2024 Elephant Heart Plum	Silver
		2024 Red Raspberry/Milano Chocolate	Silver
		2024 Olallieberry	Silver
		2024 Red Raspberry Port	Silver
		2024 Marionberry	Bronze
		2024 Black Raspberry Port	Bronze
2024 Olallieberry Port	Bronze		
Elizabeth & Brad Kerr	Williamsburg, VA	2023 Moscato	Bronze
		2022 Cabernet Franc	Bronze
Dwight Kinnes	Palisade, CO	2024 2024 Albarino	Silver
Joseph Knizeski	Orangeburg, NY	2021 Red Blend	Gold
		2024 French Columbard	Silver
		2021 Pinotage	Bronze

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Marion (Mickey) Krauss	Seven Valleys, PA	2024 Traminette & Riesling Blend	Double Gold
		2024 Cayuga White	Silver
		2024 Chambourcin	Silver
		2024 Blackberries	Silver
		2024 Black Currant	Silver
		2024 Riesling	Bronze
		2024 Cab Franc	Bronze
		2024 Chardonel	Bronze
		2024 Vidal Blanc	Bronze
		2024 Traminette	Bronze
		2024 Marquette	Bronze
		2024 Black Raspberries	Bronze
		2024 Red Raspberries	Bronze
		2024 Blueberries	Bronze
2024 Red Currant	Bronze		
Edward Landsberg	Vernon, CT	2022 Dry Reisling - Suisan Valley	Bronze
		2022 Primitivo - Lodi	Bronze
		2021 Petite Sirah - Mettler Ranch	Bronze
		2023 Right Bank Blend - Suisan Valley	Bronze
		2020 Super Tuscan Blend	Bronze
Sam Lee	Vernon, CT	2022 malbec	Bronze
Paul Lequeux	North Tonawanda, NY	2024 Pinot Gris	Double Gold
		2024 Riesling	Silver
		2025 Diamond	Silver
		2025 Pinot Gris	Bronze
		2024 Isabella	Bronze
		2024 Cranberry	Bronze
		NV Pineapple	Bronze
		2024 Berrylicious	Bronze
2024 Strawberry Kiwi	Bronze		
Tamika Lett	Hampton, VA	2024 A Cranberry Carol	Silver
		2024 The Color Blueberry	Bronze
Clayton Lockhart	Brightwood, VA	2021 Chicken Hill Farm Landot Noir	Bronze
		2021 Chicken Hill Farm Norton	Bronze

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Janet & Ralph Longo	Manasquan, NJ	2023 Syrah blend	Silver
Ted Mack	OKC, OK	2024 Charmed	Silver
		2024 Key Lime Summertime Wine	Silver
		2024 Cidre de Glace	Bronze
		2023 Dancing Dragon	Bronze
		2023 Possums Pymment	Bronze
Thomas Marko	Huntingdon, PA	2024 Marko's Vintage White 2024	Silver
		2024 Marko's Vintage Red 2024	Bronze
Morgan Mastorovich	Bellingham, WA	NV Blueberry Lavender Mead	Silver
David McCurry	Greenville, SC	2020 Cab Sauv	Silver
Stephen Merowsky	Livonia, NY	2023 Merowsky wine works -Cabernet Sauvignon	Double Gold
		2019 Merowsky wine works -NY Riesling	Silver
Anjela Meyer	Lakewood, CO	2024 Strawberry Rhone	Bronze
		2024 Mango Tango	Bronze
		2024 Dragon's Blood Wine	Bronze
Jame Milestone	Redding, CA	2024 Petit Verdot	Bronze
Richard Miller	Grant, FL	2024 Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
		2024 Muscadine Blend	Bronze
Scott Montgomery	Chattanooga, TN	2024 Petite Sirah	Bronze
Lee Moore	Atlantic Beach, NC	2025 Bogue Sound Winery Ice Peach	Bronze
		2024 Bogue Sound Winery Blueberry Blossom Mead	Bronze
		2025 Bogue Sound Winery Strawberry Amber Mead	Bronze
		2025 Bogue Sound Winery Strawberry Blossom Mead	Bronze
		2024 Bogue Sound Winery Tupelo Mead	Bronze
Tom, Susan & Tatjana Mustac	Whitestone, NY	2024 Mustac Estates Sonoma Cabernet	Gold
		2024 Mustac Estates Suisun Cabernet	Bronze

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Craig Nadeau	Reston, VA	2023 Virginia Carmenere	Double Gold
		2023 Virginia Norton	Silver
		2023 Virginia Reserve Chardonnay	Bronze
		2023 Virginia Petit Verdot	Bronze
		2024 "Adeline" Virginia Rose	Bronze
Elizabeth Nettles	Palm Bay, FL	2024 Carlos	Double Gold
		2025 Mango	Bronze
		2023 Mulberry	Bronze
		2024 Starfruit-Pineapple	Bronze
Angelo Oddo	Viera, FL	2023 Zinfandel	Silver
		2023 Malbec	Silver
		2024 Meritage	Bronze
Mark Orthner	Hammonton, NJ	2021 Chilean Syrah	Silver
		2022 CA Merlot	Bronze
		2023 NJ Cabernet Franc	Bronze
		2023 NJ Vidal Blanc	Bronze
Gianna Parent	West Warwick, RI	2024 4 J's and a Lady Vineyards	Silver
Thomas Parks	Holladay, UT	2024 Cabernet Franc	Silver
		2024 Zinfandel Rose	Silver
		2024 Sauvignon Blanc	Bronze
		2024 Wasatch White	Bronze
		2024 Gentil	Bronze
		2024 Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
		2024 Pineau de Charentes	Bronze
Tray Patterson	Calhoun, GA	2024 Oak Matured Mead	Bronze
Rob Pellizzi	Northport, NY	2024 Merlot	Double Gold
		2023 Merlot	Silver
		2024 Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
Joseph Pfeifer & Jesse Costa	Etna, PA	2023 Ole' Red	Bronze
Louis Piancone & Pat Serpico	Far Hills, NJ	2023 Meritage Blend	Silver
Louis Piancone	Far Hills, NJ	2021 Zinfandel Blend	Silver
		2024 Pear Wine	Silver

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Danny Pignato	Wadsworth, IL	2024 Dannys wine	Bronze
William Plotczyk	Greenwood, SC	2024 Chambourcin	Bronze
Darren Porter	Beaver Dam, KY	2024 Peach	Silver
		2023 Cherry	Bronze
Larry Prendergast	Morristown, NJ	2024 Barbera	Silver
Angela Randle	Fairburn, GA	2024 Oaked Black Cherry	Silver
		2024 Cranberry	Bronze
Michael Rinker	Kennewick, WA	2023 Wahluke Slope Syrah	Double Gold
		2022 Wahluke Slope Carmenere	Gold
		2023 Red Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon	Silver
		2022 Walla Walla Syrah	Silver
		2023 Wahluke Slope Barbera	Silver
		2022 Red Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
		2022 Wahluke Slope Merlot	Bronze
		2023 Wahluke Slope Merlot	Bronze
		2022 Walla Walla Cabernet Franc	Bronze
		2023 Wahluke Slope Sangiovese	Bronze
		2023 Yakima Valley Dolcetto	Bronze
Ryan Robinson	Melbourne, FL	2025 65 Strawberry Mead	Gold
		2025 66 Cherry Blend mead	Silver
		2025 63 Black Currant Mead	Bronze
Michael Roman	Wood Ridge, NJ	2022 Roman Familiy Wines, MR Blend Style '15	Silver
Michael Roman	Belvidere, IL	2024 Pear	Bronze
Travis Romano	New London, CT	2022 Cabernet	Bronze
Scott Rombach	Washington, MO	2020 Malbec Vintage 2020	Bronze
Larry Roux	N Syracuse, NY	2024 Aromella	Double Gold
		2024 Traminette	Silver
		2024 Riesling	Bronze

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Gabriella Russum	Triangle, VA	2024 Grenache Syrah Mourvedre	Silver
		NV Iced Tea (Sugar Honey Iced Tea)	Silver
		2024 RJS Toasted Caramel (Butter Pecan)	Silver
		NV Peach Chardonnay (Peaches From Up the Skreet)	Bronze
		NV Pinot Grigio	Bronze
		NV California Viognier	Bronze
		NV Venetian White	Bronze
		NV Muller Thurgau	Bronze
		2024 Vanilla Bourbon	Bronze
Mel & Ellie Schlachter	Iowa City, IA	2024 Viva Vidal	Bronze
		2024 Chambourcin	Bronze
Arnie Schloemann	Wallingford, CT	2024 Merlot	Gold
		2021 Suisun Cabernet	Silver
		2022 Wash St. Pinot Noir	Bronze
		2023 sangiovese	Bronze
Dean Scott	Kutztown, PA	2023 Goat Red	Bronze
		2023 Goat Red	Bronze
		2023 Chambourcin	Bronze
		2023 Traminette & Lavender	Bronze
Mitch Slater	Lodi, CA	2023 Pops Cellars	Bronze
Tonya Smallwood & Gabriella Russum	Spotsylvania, VA	2024 Tres Manzanas	Bronze
Tonya Smallwood	Spotsylvania, VA	2024 Black Forest Port	Silver
		2024 Orange Chocolate Port	Silver
		2024 Sparkle Apple-Tini	Silver
		2024 Châteauneuf-du-Pape Style	Bronze
		2024 Grenache, Syrah & Mourvedre	Bronze
		2024 Green Apple Envy	Bronze
		2024 Caramel Apple Pie	Bronze
		2024 Peach Raspberry Sangria	Bronze
2024 Watermelonade	Bronze		
James Smith	Belmont, CA	2024 Belmont Creekside	Silver

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Jim Sperk	Mentor, OH	2024 Chenin Blanc	Silver
		2022 Elderberry	Silver
		NV Rose' Port	Silver
		2024 Grenache Rose'	Bronze
		2024 Muscat Rose'	Bronze
Edward Stopper	Williamsport, PA	2024 Niagara	Double Gold
		2024 St Pepin	Bronze
		2024 Cayuga / Brianna	Bronze
		2024 Peach	Bronze
Greg Stricker	St. Charles, MO	2022 Chambourcin Bin 9	Silver
		2022 Chambourcin Bin 1	Bronze
		2022 Norton Bin 1	Bronze
		2022 Norton Bin 9	Bronze
		2021 Norton Bin 9	Bronze
		2020 Norton Bin 9	Bronze
		2021 Pandemic Port	Bronze
Eric Tinkham & Gabriel Velkey	Lawrenceburg, KY	2023 Tempranillo	Silver
		2023 Riesling	Bronze
		2023 Oaked Riesling	Bronze
Eric Tinkham	Lawrenceburg, KY	2021 Italian Luna Rosa	Bronze
Tim Traxler	Bellefonte, PA	2024 Semi Dry Riesling	Double Gold
		2024 Cranberry	Gold
		2024 CranRaspberry	Gold
		2022 Gewurztraminer	Silver
		2021 Pinot Grigio	Silver
		2024 Old Vine Zinfandel	Silver
		2024 (Triple Crown) Cranberry/RedRaspberry/Black Currant	Silver
		2017 Cabernet Franc Ice Wine	Silver
		2024 Native Riesling	Bronze
		2023 Italian Montepulciano	Bronze
2024 Red Raspberry/Black Currant	Bronze		

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Frank Trolio	Palmer, MA	2020 Cabernet Sauvignon	Silver
		2022 Cabernet Sauvignon	Bronze
		2021 Merlot	Bronze
		2021 Merlot	Bronze
		2021 Barbera	Bronze
		2021 Petite Sirah	Bronze
Kenneth Tucker	Bowie, MD	2023 Atardecer	Silver
Timothy Valdez	Colorado Springs, CO	2023 Carolus Quartus Sparkling Pinot Grigio Brut Traditional Method	Silver
		2024 Valor Chardonnay/Viognier Blend	Bronze
		2023 Reluctant Ruler Rosé of Touriga Nacional Extra Dry Traditional Method	Bronze
Timothy Van Mouwerik	Walla Walla, WA	2024 Brookside Field Blend	Bronze
Dr Hugh Vrablic	Lansford, PA	2024 ButterBeer Mead	Double Gold
		2024 Brianna Wine	Bronze
		2024 Lucy's Sweet Catawba	Bronze
		2024 Sweet Cherry Wine, So Very Fine	Bronze
Kevin Wagner	Stilwell, KS	2024 Bordeaux Blend	Bronze
David Wakefield	North Haven, CT	2020 Chardonnay	Bronze
		2017 Super Tuscan	Bronze
Glenn & Ellen Weaver	Sun Prairie, WI	2023 Raspberry	Gold
		2023 Brianna	Silver
		2024 Rhubarb Strawberry	Silver
		2023 Peach Melomel	Silver
		2023 Concord Rosé	Bronze
		2023 King of the North	Bronze
Michael Westman	Port Royal, PA	2024 Windage	Silver
		2024 Sunshine Rhine	Bronze
		2024 Nearly Nude White	Bronze
		2025 Pretty in Pink	Bronze
Frank Williams	Kirksville, MO	2024 Vidal Blanc	Bronze
Dominique Williamson	Dallas, TX	NV Plum Pop (Plum)	Silver
		NV Golden Harvest (Pineapple Mango)	Bronze

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Marcus Wilson	Lawrenceville, GA	2023 Wilson Reese	Bronze
William Yenkevich	New Tripoli, PA	2023 The Malbec	Double Gold
		2023 Allora - Red Blend	Silver
Chardanay Young-Ford & Daquan Ford	Buffalo, NY	NV Blueberry Mango Melomel	Bronze
		NV With Love Jessie	Bronze
		NV Strawberry Hibiscus Wine	Bronze

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