

The 2026 North Carolina Fine Wines ShowCase Winners

| <u>Award</u> | <u>Vineyard</u> | <u>Wine</u> |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| Best in Show & Best Rosé | Sanctuary Vineyards | Wildflowers, 2025 |
| Best Red | Round Peak Vineyards | Elevation 1310, 2023 |
| Best Dessert | Windsor Run Cellars | Midnight Run Grand Reserve, 2016 |
| Best White | Dobbins Creek Vineyards | Chardonnay, 2023 |
| Best Hybrid | Rayson Winery & Vineyards | Vidal Blanc, 2024 |
| Best Sparkling* Tied | Surry Cellars Specialty | Lot 155, 2021 |
| Best Sparkling* Tied | Golden Road Vineyards | Sailor's Delight |
| NC Fine Wines Case | Sotrio Vineyards & Winery | Sagrantino, 2023 |
| NC Fine Wines Case | Round Peak Vineyards | 2:1, 2022 Petit Verdot : Tannat |
| NC Fine Wines Case | Raffaldini Vineyards | Sangiovese Classico 2023 |
| NC Fine Wines Case | Point Lookout Vineyards | Sweet Carolina Girl 2023 |
| NC Fine Wines Case | Grandfather Vineyard & Winery | NC Riesling ,2025 |
| NC Fine Wines Case* Tied | Parker-Binns Vineyard | Petit Verdot Reserve 2023 |
| NC Fine Wines Case* Tied | Sotrio Vineyards & Winery | Teroldego, 2022 |
| NC Fine Wines Case* Tied | Raffaldini Vineyards | Il Falco |
| NC Fine Wines Case* Tied | Stony Knoll Vineyards | Viognier, 2025 |
| NC Fine Wines Case* Tied | Point Lookout Vineyards | Petit Verdot, 2023 |
| NC Fine Wines Case* Tied | Grandfather Vineyard & Winery | Hair of the Dog, 2024 |
| NC Fine Wines Case* Tied | Stone Ashe Vineyard | Coppedge Hill Red Blend, 2022 |

CONGRATULATIONS!

We extend our congratulations to all the North Carolina Fine Wines Case Winners & Medalists!

Following are lists of all Winners by Winery and Varietal Winners

Awards By Winery

CONGRATULATIONS North Carolina Fine Wines ShowCase winners & all Medalists!
Medal Winners are listed Alphabetically by Vineyard Name.

This wine competition is the toughest in the country because of the judges' impeccable knowledge of how wines should taste and requiring the wines to be **100% locally grown and vinified in North Carolina.** The Judges' Notes are given confidentially to each vineyard to provide feedback on how their wines are showing.

MEDALS: Wine Spectator 100-point scale. Gold 95 - 100 Classic; 90-94 Outstanding- a wine of superior character and style Silver 85- 89 Very good: a wine with special qualities Bronze 80- 84 Good: a solid, well-made wine.

***Double Gold – When all judges scores are 90 and above**

Vineyard

Award Wine

[Adagio Vineyards](#)

Gold: Arandell, 2024
Gold: Minuet, 2023
Silver: Coda, 2023
Silver: Coda a l'orange, 2025

[Burntshirt Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Petit Verdot, 2023
Silver: Reserve Chardonnay, 2023
Silver: Petit Manseng, 2024
Silver: Reserve Meritage, 2023
Silver: Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, 2023
Silver: Grüner Veltliner, NV

[Castello Barone Vineyards & Winery](#) Bronze: Anima Affine White Port, 2021

[Christian Paul Vineyards](#)

Gold: Vintner's Select, 2023
Silver: Blanc de Noirs, NV

[Davesté Vineyards](#)

Gold: Dry Rosé of Chambourcin, 2025
Silver: Esté (Sparkling White), 2024
Silver: Traminette, 2023
Silver: Sauvignon Blanc, 2024
Silver: Esté (Sparkling Rosé), 2025

[Dobbins Creek Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Chardonnay, 2023
Gold: Meritage, NV

[Euda Wine](#)

Double Gold: Cabernet Franc, 2024
Silver: Telos, 2023
Bronze: Carbonic, 2025
Bronze: Riesling, 2024
Bronze: Rosé, 2025

[Fireclay Cellars](#)

Double Gold: Chardonnay, 2023
Gold: Fireside, 2022
Gold: Sparkling Traminette, 2022

[Golden Road Vineyards](#)

Gold: Sailor's Delight, NV
Gold: Traminette, 2024
Silver: Lola, 2022
Silver: Eclipse, NV
Bronze: Petit Manseng, 2025

[Grandfather Vineyard & Winery](#)

Double Gold: NC Riesling, 2025
Double Gold: Malbec Rosé, 2025
Double Gold: Hair of the Dog, 2024
Silver: Gruner Veltliner, 2025
Silver: Provenance Chardonnay, 2025

[Haze Gray Vineyards](#)

Gold: Cabernet Franc, 2020
Silver: Wingman, 2022
Silver: Traminette Semi-Sweet, 2023

[Hidden Vineyards](#)

Gold: Wild Thing, Petit Verdot 2022
Silver: Pinot Gris, 2024

[JOLO Winery & Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Golden Hallows, 2025
Gold: Muddy Paws, NV
Gold: Pink, 2025
Gold: Sweet Vermouth, NV
Gold: JOLOTAGE, 2023
Silver: Tenth Anniversary, NV
Silver: Pilot Shadow, 2023
Silver: Crimson Creek, 2024
Silver: Twinkles, 2025
Silver: Carolus XII, 2023
Silver: Blanc De Blanc, 2024

[JOLO Winery & Vineyards cont.](#)

Silver: Pilot Fog, 2023
Silver: Jolotage Reserve, NV
Silver: Cuvée Selection, 2023
Silver: Devil's Hill, 2022
Silver: Golden Hallows Reserve, 2024
Silver: Cabernet Sauvignon, 2022

[Jones von Drehle](#)

Gold: Tryst & Twyne, 2024
Silver: Blanc de Blanc 2023
Silver: Steele and Stone, 2019

[Linville Falls Winery](#)

Double Gold: Mountain Red, 2024
Bronze: Dry Riesling, 2023

[Marked Tree Vineyard](#)

Double Gold: Lemberger, 2022
Double Gold: Reserve Chardonnay, 2024
Double Gold: Chardonnay, 2025
Double Gold: Cabernet Franc, 2023
Double Gold: Watershed, 2023
Gold: Ghost House, NV
Silver: Vidal Blanc, 2024
Silver: Reserve Petit Verdot, 2023
Silver: Sweet Ellie Mae Rosé, 2025
Silver: Skyward Branch, 2023
Silver: Reserve Grüner Veltliner, 2024
Silver: Chloe Rosé, 2025
Silver: Bubble Swarm "Exaltation", 2023

[Mountain Brook Vineyards](#)

Silver: Chardonnay, 2023 Red Bell Run Vineyard
Silver: Cabernet Sauvignon, 2022 Red Bell Run Vineyard
Silver: Merlot, 2022 Red Bell Run Vineyard

[Parker-Binns Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Petit Verdot Reserve, 2023
Double Gold: Pea Ridge Red, 2024
Double Gold: The Watchman, 2024
Silver: Merlot, 2023
Bronze: Petit Manseng, 2024

[Point Lookout Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Sweet Carolina Girl, 2023
Double Gold: Petit Verdot, 2021
Double Gold: Petit Verdot, 2023
Gold: Pavilion, 2021
Silver: Sabrina, 2025

[Point Lookout Vineyards Cont.](#)

Silver: Sauvignon Blanc, 2025
Silver: Cabernet Sauvignon, 2023

[Raffaldini Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Il Falco, NV
Double Gold: Montepulciano Riserva, NV
Double Gold: Mezzogiorno, 2023
Gold: Sangiovese Classico, 2023
Gold: Vermentino Superiore, 2025
Gold: Gallo Nero III, NV
Silver: Vincero, 2024

[Rayson Winery & Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Chardonnay, 2024
Double Gold: Petit Verdot, 2024
Double Gold: Vidal Blanc, 2024
Double Gold: Rkatsiteli, 2024
Gold: Elevage Blanc, NV
Gold: Sweet Vermouth Blanc, NV
Silver: Elevage Select, NV
Silver: Riesling, 2024
Silver: Pearl D Blanc, 2024
Silver: Cabernet Franc, 2024
Silver: Rose, 2024
Silver: Founders Reserve, NV
Bronze: Elevage Rouge, NV
Bronze: Cabernet Sauvignon, 2024

[Round Peak Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: 2:1 Series Petit Verdot/Tannat, 2022
Double Gold: 2:1 Series Tannat/Cab Sauv, 2022
Double Gold: Elevation 1310, 2023
Double Gold: Petit Verdot, 2022
Gold: Nebbiolo, 2021
Silver: Dry Rosé 2025

[Sanctuary Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Wildflowers, 2025
Double Gold: Time And Tide, 2021
Gold: Shipwreck, 2023
Gold: Sauvignon Blanc, 2025
Gold: Handcrafted Orange Albariño, 2025
Gold: Handcrafted Tannat, 2023
Gold: Pearl, 2024
Silver: Old Vine, 2024
Silver: Jarvisburgundy, 2024
Silver: Darks Sails, 2023
Silver: Pearl, 2025

[Shadow Line Vineyard](#)

Double Gold: Crimson Reserve, 2024
Gold: Corot Noir, 2023
Gold: Prairie Star, 2025
Bronze: Vidal Blanc, 2025

[Shadow Springs Vineyard](#)

Silver: Blanc to Blanc, 2022

[Shelton Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Cabernet Franc, 2022
Gold: Cabernet Franc, 2023t
Gold: Cabernet Sauvignon, 2023
Silver: 259 Tannat, 2021
Silver: Cabernet Sauvignon, 2020
Silver: Malbec, 2023
Silver: Petit Manseng, 2025
Silver: Tannat, 2020
Silver: Port (Red), 2014
Bronze: Dry Riesling, 2024

[Sotrio Vineyards & Winery](#)

Double Gold: Sagrantino, 2023
Double Gold: Teroldego, 2022
Double Gold: Montepulciano, 2023
Silver: Fiano, 2022

[Stone Ashe Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Coppedge Hill, 2022
Double Gold: Davenport, 2022
Gold: Riesling, 2024
Silver: Wayfinder, 2023

[Stony Knoll Vineyards](#)

Double Gold: Viognier, 2025
Silver: Merlot, 2022
Silver: Chambourcin, 2022

[Surry Cellars](#)

Double Gold: Specialty Lot 155, 2021
Gold: Petit Manseng, 2025
Silver: Tannat, NV

[Tunnel Creek Vineyards](#)

Silver: Reserve Meritage, 2019
Silver: Petit Verdot, 2018
Bronze: Vermentino, 2023

[Windsor Run Cellars](#)

Double Gold: Midnight Run Grande Reserve, 2016

Best Varietal Winners

| Varietal | Vineyard | Wine |
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| Albariño | Sanctuary Vineyards | Pearl, 2024 |
| Cabernet Franc | Marked Tree Vineyards | Cabernet Franc, 2023 (tie) |
| Cabernet Franc | Shelton Vineyards | Cabernet Franc, 2022 (tie) |
| Cabernet Sauvignon | Shelton Vineyards | Cabernet Sauvignon, 2023 |
| Chambourcin | Stony Knoll Vineyards | Chambourcin, 2022 |
| Chardonel | Marked Tree Vineyard | Chardonel, 2025 |
| Chardonnay, Unoaked | Dobbins Creek Vineyard | Chardonnay, Unoaked, 2023 |
| Chardonnay, Oaked | Rayson Winery & Vineyards | Chardonnay, Oaked, 2024 |
| Cynthiana | JOLO Winery & Vineyards | Pilot Fog, 2023 |
| Corot Noir | Shadow Line Vineyards | Corot Noir, 2023 |
| Fiano | Sotrio Vineyards | Fiano, 2022 |
| Grüner Veltliner | Grandfather Vineyard | Grüner Veltliner, 2025 |
| Lemberger | Marked Tree Vineyard | Lemberger, 2022 |
| Malbec | Shelton Vineyards | Malbec, 2023 |
| Merlot | Parker-Binns Vineyards | Merlot, 2023 |
| Montepulciano | Raffaldini Vineyards | Montepulciano Riserva, 2022 |
| Nebbiolo | Round Peak Vineyards | Nebbiolo, 2021 |
| Petit Verdot | Parker-Binns Vineyard | Petit Verdot Reserve, 2023 |
| Petit Verdot | Point Lookout Vineyards | Petit Verdot, 2023 |
| Pinot Gris | Hidden Vineyard | Pinot Gris, 2024 |
| Prairie Star | Shadow Line Vineyard | Prairie Star, 2025 |
| Riesling | Grandfather Vineyard | NC Riesling, 2025 |
| Rkatsiteli | Rayson Winery & Vineyards | Rkatsiteli, 2024 |
| Sagrantino | Sotrio Vineyard | Sagrantino, 2022 |
| Sangiovese | Raffaldini Vineyards | Sangiovese, NV |
| Sauvignon Blanc | Sanctuary Vineyards | Sauvignon Blanc, 2025 |
| Tannat | Sanctuary Vineyards | Handcrafted Tannat, 2023 |
| Teroldego | Sotrio Vineyards | Teroldego, 2022 |
| Traminette | Golden Road Vineyards | Traminette, 2024 |
| Vermentino | Raffaldini Vineyards | Vermentino Superiore, 2025 |
| Vidal Blanc | Rayson Winery & Vineyards | Vidal Blanc, 2024 |
| Viognier | Stony Knoll Vineyards | Viognier, 2025 |