

## The 2023 North Carolina Fine Wines Competition ShowCase Winners

<u>Award</u>	<u>Vineyard</u>	<u>Wine</u>
Best in Show & Best White	<a href="#">Stony Knoll Vineyards</a>	Viognier 2022
Best Red	<a href="#">Surry Cellars</a>	Tannat Reserve 2019
Best Hybrid	<a href="#">Roaring River Vineyards</a>	Rock & Roar 2019
Best Dessert	<a href="#">JOLO Winery &amp; Vineyards</a>	Sweet Vermouth NV
Best Sparkling	<a href="#">Marked Tree Vineyard</a>	Bubble Swarm 2021
Best Rosé	<a href="#">Marked Tree Vineyard</a>	Chloe Rosé 2022
NC Fine Wines Case	<a href="#">Raffaldini Vineyards</a>	Patrimonio 2019
NC Fine Wines Case	<a href="#">Sanctuary Vineyards</a>	Albariño 2022
NC Fine Wines Case	<a href="#">Shelton Vineyards</a>	Cabernet Sauvignon 2020
NC Fine Wines Case	<a href="#">Raffaldini Vineyards</a>	Grande Riserva 2019
NC Fine Wines Case	<a href="#">Raffaldini Vineyards</a>	Vermentino Superiore 2022
NC Fine Wines Case	<a href="#">Shelton Vineyards</a>	Malbec 2021

**Congratulations to all the ShowCase Winners & Medalists!**

**Connect to our members and their great wines at [NCFineWines.com](http://NCFineWines.com)  
and please see the following pages for a complete list of the  
2023 North Carolina Fine Wines Awards.**

## 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. The Judges' Notes are given confidentially to the vineyards to provide them with feedback on how their wines are showing.

### MEDALS:

**Wine Spectator 100-point scale**

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

**Gold 90 - 100 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**

## 2023 North Carolina Fine Wines Competition Results

### Vineyard

### Award/Wine

[Adagio Vineyards, Elkin](#)

Silver: Minuet Rosé 2022

[Brandon Hills Vineyard, Yadkinville](#)

Gold: Raptor Red 2019  
Silver: Bruno's Blend, 2020  
Silver: Ooh La La, 2021  
Bronze: Rosé 2021

[Burntshirt Vineyards, Hendersonville](#)

Silver: O Cellars Riesling Reserve 2021  
Bronze: O Cellars Grüner Veltliner Reserve, NV

[Davesté Vineyards, Troutman](#)

Silver: Traminette 2022  
Silver: Cabernet Sauvignon 2021  
Bronze: Pinot Grigio 2021  
Bronze: Dry Rosé 2022

[Dobbins Creek Vineyards, Hamptonville](#)

Silver: Chardonnay, Oaked 2021  
Silver: Cabernet Franc 2019  
Silver: Merlot 2019  
Bronze: Riesling 2019

[Dynamis Estate Wines, Jonesville](#)

Gold: Alpha 2019  
Gold: Merlot 2019  
Gold: The Mountain 2019  
Silver: Sauvignon Blanc 2020

[FireClay Cellars, Siler City](#)

Silver: Oaked Chardoneel Reserve 2021

Silver: Traminette 2021

Silver: FireSide 2020

[Gioia dell'Amore Cellars](#)

Bronze: First Blush 2021

Bronze: First Kiss 2021

[Golden Road Vineyards, State Road](#)

Gold: Petit Manseng 2022

Silver: Emergency Blow 2022

Silver: Mountain Park Sunrise NV

Bronze: Mountain Park Sunset 2022

[Grandfather Vineyard & Winery, Banner Elk](#)

Gold: Cabernet Franc 2020

Silver: Estate White Field Blend 2022

Silver: Full Circle Vidal Blanc 2022

[Grove Vineyards & Winery, Gibsonville](#)

Silver: Chardoneel 2021

Bronze: Merlot 2019

[Haze Gray Vineyards, Dobson](#)

Silver: Petit Verdot 2019

[Hidden Vineyard, Dobson](#)

Silver: Cabernet Franc/Call Me a Cab 2020

[JOLO Winery & Vineyards, Pilot Mountain](#)

ShowCase Best Dessert & Gold: Sweet Vermouth NV

Silver: Muddy Paws NV

Silver: Crimson Creek 2022

Silver: JOLOTAGE Reserve NV

Silver: Cuvee Selection 2021

Silver: Pilot Shadow 2021

Silver: Carolus XII 2021

Silver: Golden Hallows 2022

Silver: Golden Hallows Reserve 2021

Silver: JOLO Pink 2022

Silver: Beach Bubbles 2021

Silver: Twinkles, 2022

Silver: JOLOTAGE 2022

[Jones von Drehle Vineyards & Winery, Thurmond](#)

Gold: Malbec 2017

Gold: Viognier 2022

Gold: Blanc De Blanc 2021

Silver: Rock & Rail 2017

Silver: Petit Verdot 2017

Silver: Grenache Rosé 2022

Silver: Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2015

Silver: Reserve Steel and Stone 2013

Silver: Cabernet Franc 2017

Bronze: Petit Manseng 2020

[Kefi Vineyards & Winery, Monroe](#)

Silver: Syrah 2018

[Lazy Elm Vineyard & Winery, Mocksville](#)

Silver: Damn Yankee 2019  
Silver: Petit Verdot 2019  
Bronze: Mourvèdre 2019

[Linville Falls Winery, Newland](#)

Silver: Trillium NV  
Bronze: Rosé NV

[Marked Tree Vineyards, Flat Rock](#)

ShowCase Best Sparkling & Gold: Bubble Swarm 2021  
Best Rosé & Silver: Chloe Rosé 2022  
Gold: Cabernet Franc 2020  
Gold: Grüner Veltliner 2022  
Gold: Reserve Vidal Blanc 2022  
Gold: Chardonal 2022  
Silver: Reserve Cabernet Franc 2019  
Silver: Watershed NV  
Silver: OTTIS 2022 Rosé 2022

[Mountain Brook Vineyards, Tryon](#)

Gold: Cabernet Sauvignon 2020  
Silver: Twenty-Twenty BDX NV  
Silver: Merlot 2020  
Bronze: The Belle 2021

[Parker-Binns Vineyard, Mill Spring](#)

Silver: Watchman 2020  
Silver: Petit Manseng 2022  
Bronze: Chardonnay 2022

[Raffaldini Vineyards, Ronda](#)

ShowCase & Double Gold Patrimonio 2019  
ShowCase & Gold: Grande Riserva 2019  
ShowCase & Gold: Vermentino Superiore 2022  
Gold: Sangiovese Classico 2019  
Gold: Sagrantino 2020  
Gold: Montepulciano Riserva 2020  
Gold: Mezzogiorno 2020  
Silver: Gallo Nero II 2020  
Silver: La Dolce Vita 2021  
Bronze: Desaria 2021

[RayLen Vineyards & Winery, Mocksville](#)

Gold: Petit Verdot Reserve 2021  
Silver: Bourbon Barrel Aged Cab Sauvignon 2021  
Silver: Cabernet Franc 2021  
Bronze: Riesling NV  
Bronze: Carolinius 2019

[Roaring River Vineyards, Traphill](#)

ShowCase Best Hybrid & Double Gold: Rock & Roar 2019  
Silver: Pinot Gris 2021  
Silver: Cabernet Sauvignon 2019  
Bronze: Chambourcin 2018

[Round Peak Vineyards, Mt. Airy](#)

Gold: Montepulciano 2019  
Gold: Nebbiolo 2019  
Silver: Merlot 2019

[Sanctuary Vineyards, Jarvisburg](#)

ShowCase & Gold: Pearl 2022  
Gold: Dark Sails 2021  
Gold: Double Barrel 2019  
Gold: Handcrafted Cabernet Sauvignon 2019  
Gold: Handcrafted Tempranillo 2021  
Silver: Whalehead 2022  
Silver: Jarvisburg Blanc 2022  
Bronze: Wildflowers Rosé 2021

[Shadow Line Vineyard, Granite Falls](#)

Gold: Cabernet Sauvignon 2021  
Silver: Chambourcin 2021  
Bronze: Cynthiana 2021  
Bronze: Chardonnay 2022

[Shadow Springs Vineyard, Hamptonville](#)

Gold: Petit Verdot 2019

[Shelton Vineyards, Dobson](#)

ShowCase & Double Gold: Cabernet Sauvignon 2020  
ShowCase & Gold: Malbec 2021  
Gold: Franklin 2017  
Gold: NC State Wolfpack Red 2020  
Gold: Cabernet Sauvignon 2021  
Silver: Port 2018  
Silver: Sparkling Riesling 2021  
Silver: Cabernet Franc 2019  
Silver: Family Reserve Claret 2019  
Bronze: 259 Dry Rosé 2021

[Souther Williams, Fletcher](#)

Silver: Cabernet Franc 2018  
Bronze: Grüner Veltliner 2021  
Bronze: Vidal Blanc 2021

[Stone Ashe Vineyard, Hendersonville](#)

Gold: Cabernet Franc 2020  
Silver: Chardonnay, Montrachet Style 2021  
Silver: Sauvignon Blanc 2021

[Stony Knoll Vineyards, Dobson](#)

ShowCase Best in Show; Best White & Double Gold:  
Viognier 2022  
Silver: Syrah 2019

[Surry Cellars / Surry Labs, Dobson](#)

ShowCase Best Red & Gold:

Surry Cellars Tannat Reserve 2019

Silver: Blue Ridge Bubbles NV

Bronze: Barrel Fermented Chardonnay 2022

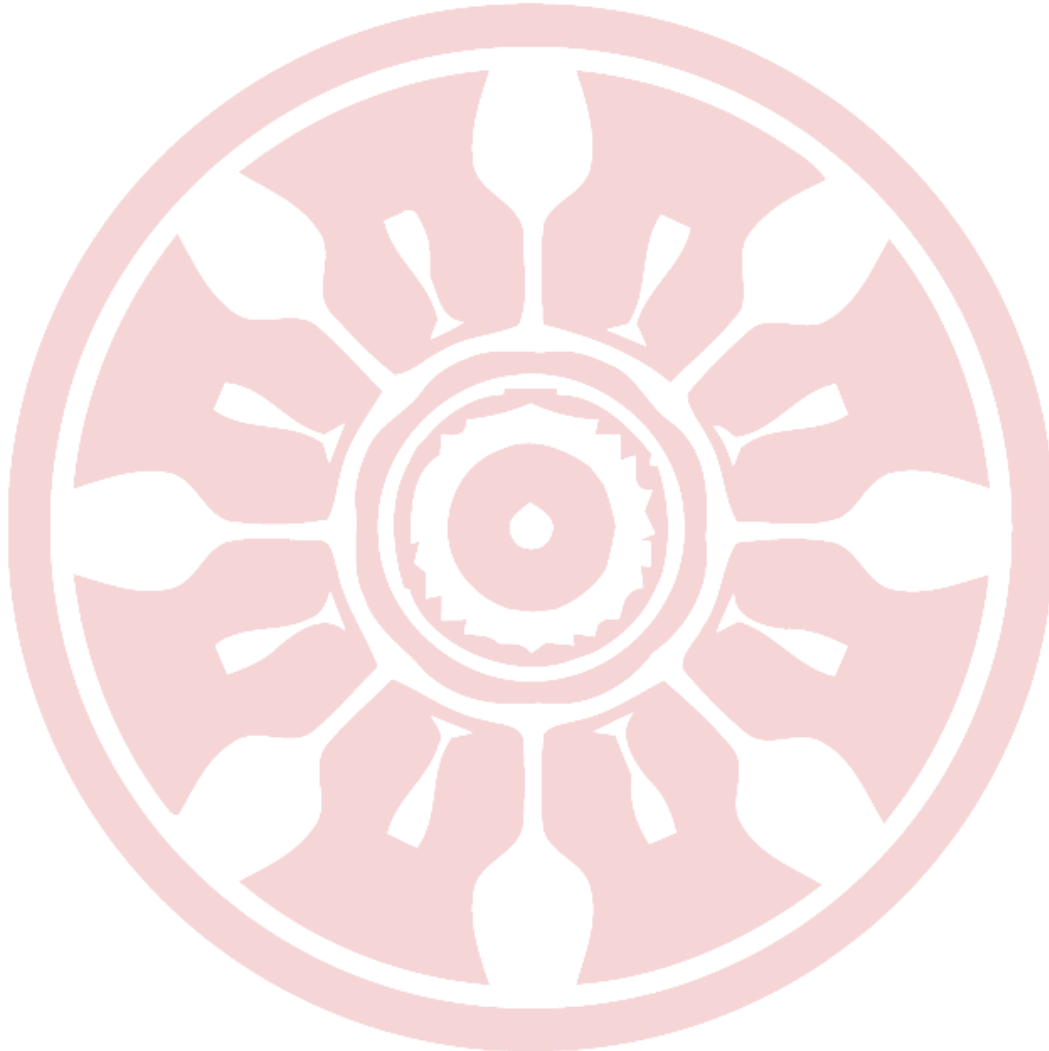
Bronze: Chambonic Rosé 2022

[Windsor Run Cellars, Hamptonville](#)

Gold: Albariño 2022

Gold: Midnight Run Cellars Grand Reserve 2012

Bronze: Ridgetop Rosé 2022



## 2023 Category Winning Wines

These are the top wines for each category of wines that we have in the Competition. Throughout these past seven years, people have wanted to know who may be making their favorite varietal of wine. We are adding those top scoring wines from each varietal category entered to help you find or discover those wines of interest.

Albariño: Sanctuary Vineyards – Gold: Pearl 2022

Cabernet Franc: Stone Ashe Vineyards - Gold: Cabernet Franc 2020

Cabernet Sauvignon: Shelton Vineyards – Showcase & Double Gold: Cabernet Sauvignon 2020

Chambourcin: JOLO Winery & Vineyards - Silver: Crimson Creek 2022

Chardonnay (Oaked): Stone Ashe Vineyards – Silver: Chardonnay Montrachet Style 2021

Chardonnay (Unoaked): Sanctuary Vineyards - Silver: Jarvisburg Blanc 2022

Chardonel: Marked Tree Vineyards – Gold: Chardonel 2022

Cynthiana / Norton: Shadow Line Vineyards – Bronze: Cynthiana/Norton 2021

Gruëner Veltliner: Marked Tree Vineyard - Gold: Gruëner Veltliner 2022

Malbec: Shelton Vineyards – Gold: Malbec 2021

Merlot: Dynamis Estate Wines – Gold: Merlot 2019

Montepulciano: Round Peak Vineyards – Gold: Montepulciano 2019

Mourvèdre: Lazy Elm Vineyards & Winery – Bronze: Mourvèdre 2019

Nebbiolo: Round Peak Vineyards – Gold: Nebbiolo 2019

Petit Manseng: Golden Road Vineyards - Gold: Petit Manseng 2022

Petit Verdot: Shadow Spring Vineyards – Gold: Petit Verdot 2019

Pinot Grigio: Davesté Vineyards – Bronze: Pinot Grigio 2021

Pinot Gris: Roaring River Vineyards - Silver: Pinot Gris 2021

Riesling: Burntshirt Vineyards - Silver: Riesling Reserve 2021

Sangiovese: Raffaldini Vineyards – Gold: Sangiovese Classico 2021

Sauvignon Blanc: Stone Ashe Vineyards & Winery – Silver: Sauvignon Blanc 2022

Sagrantino: Raffaldini Vineyards – Gold: Sagrantino 2020

Syrah: Stony Knoll Vineyards - Silver: Syrah 2019

Tannat: Surry Cellars – Gold: Tannat Reserve 2019

\*NV=Non-Vintage



Tempranillo: Sanctuary Vineyards – Gold: Handcrafted Tempranillo 2021

Traminette: FireClay Cellars– Silver: Traminette 2021

Vidal Blanc: Marked Tree Vineyards & Winery – Gold: Vidal Blanc Reserve 2022

Vermentino: Raffaldini Vineyards – Showcase & Gold: Vermentino Superiore 2022

Viognier: Stony Knoll Vineyards - Best in Show, Best White & Double Gold: Viognier 2022

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