

# 2023 West Coast Wine Competition (East meets West)

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## Platinum Award 100 Points

Tsillan Cellars Winery	2021 Tsillan Cellars Bellissima Rossa	Columbia Valley		100	Superb wine.. Rich, ripe red fruit. Supple notes of chocolate and leather. Perfect viscosity, long elegant clean finish. It's that good!
<b>Best of the Best</b>					
Eberle Winery, Ltd.	2021 Eberle Cotes-du-Robles	Paso Robles		97	Black currant. Shows Grenache really nicely. Very well balanced. Really nice mouth-feel
<b>Best of Show White Wine</b>					
Las Positas Vineyards	2022 Las Positas Vineyards Verdelho	Livermore Valley	Estate	98	Lemon, kaffir lime, white peppercorn.
<b>Best of Show Sparkling Wine</b>					
GALLO	NV Barefoot Bubbly Brut Rose	California		96	Alluring nose, well balanced with lovely acidity, red delicious apple.
<b>Best of Show Rosé Wine</b>					
Rodney Strong Wine Estates	2022 Rodney Strong Vineyards Sonoma Coast Rosé of Pinot Noir	Sonoma Coast		97	Rooibos tea, Dried cherry, intensive, wonderful balance and well structured.
<b>Best of Show Red Wine</b>					
Eberle Winery, Ltd.	2021 Eberle Cotes-du-Robles	Paso Robles		97	Black currant. Shows Grenache really nicely. Very well balanced. Really nice mouth-feel
<b>Best of Show East Meets West</b>					
Eberle Winery, Ltd.	2021 Eberle Cotes-du-Robles	Paso Robles		97	Black currant. Shows Grenache really nicely. Very well balanced. Really nice mouth-feel
<b>Best of Show Dessert/Late Harvest</b>					
Navarro Vineyards	2022 Navarro Vineyards Riesling Cluster Select Late Harvest	Anderson Valley		97	Dried apricot, hints of lemon and bright acidity. Classic!

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## Best of Class

Annadel Estate Winery & Flower	2019 Annadel Estate Winery Merlot	Sonoma Valley	Estate Grown Reserve		94	Brawny notes, lingering finish, inviting nose, black berry, nice structure and balanced acid.
Arrington Vineyards	2021 Arrington Vineyards Syrah	Horse Heaven Hills			98	Gorgeous wine, beautiful nose, black & blue fruit, elegant inviting, deep dark, balanced tannins, stability.
Arrington Vineyards	2022 Arrington Vineyards Firefly Rose	Columbia Valley			93	Lovely salmon color. Rose petal on the palate.
Arrington Vineyards	2022 Arrington Vineyards Stag's White	Washington			92	Notes of peach, tropical fruit and gooseberry. Very well made wine.
Arrington Vineyards	2022 Arrington Vineyards Riesling	Columbia Valley			92	Lovely, fruity. Really nice long finish. Full and luscious.
Barra of Mendocino	2021 Girasole Vineyards Girasole Vineyards Sangiovese	Mendocino County	Estate Grown	CCOF Certified , Vegan-friendly	95	Multi-dimnesional black fruit and red fruit, lively, expressive, heirloom tomato, spicy and balanced.
Breathless Sparkling Wines	2018 Breathless Sparkling Pinot Meunier	Sonoma County, Los Carneros			96	Very pretty. Opens up to a very balanced wine. Nice white cherry and berry notes
Brecon Estate	2022 Brecon Estate True Acacia Head Albariño	Central Coast			99	Elusive mineral quality. Expertly balanced. Crisp, clean and elegant. Obviously an exceptional winemaker.
<u>Carol Shelton Wines</u>	2022 Carol Shelton Wines Coquille Blanc	Paso Robles			98	Expertly blended, the whole surpasses to sum of parts.
<u>Carol Shelton Wines</u>	2022 Carol Shelton Wines Barbera d'Oakley	Contra Costa County	Old Vine		93	Pretty fresh, crunchy red fruits. Vibrant
<u>Carol Shelton Wines</u>	2021 Carol Shelton Wines Wild Thing Zin	Mendocino County	Old Vines	Organically grown	92	Lovely, fruity, ripe.

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Eberle Winery, Ltd.	2022 Eberle Muscat Canelli	Paso Robles	Estate	93	Great honeysuckle. Lovely wine. Very well balanced.
Fallbrook Winery	2022 Fallbrook Winery 33°N Falanghina	South Coast		97	Tangerine, lemon grass, crisp and clean.
GALLO	NV Barefoot Spritzer Pink Moscato Seltzer Can	American		94	Lychee, mangosteen. Nice Asian influences like gummies.
GALLO	NV Barefoot Cellars Cabernet Sauvignon	California		95	Approachable Cabernet Sauvignon with notes of blue, black and red fruits.
GALLO	2021 Black Box Merlot	California		90	Exhibits notes of deep fruit. Plums and ripe berries. The entry is pleasing and smooth. Hints of spice on the finish. A very well-balanced wine.
GALLO	NV Barefoot Bubbly Moscato Spumante	California		97	Classic nose. Tangerine, vibrant. Perfect for a summer afternoon garden party
GALLO	NV Barefoot Bubbly Brut Rose	California		96	Alluring nose, well balanced with lovely acidity, red delicious apple.
Halleck Vineyard	2019 Halleck Vineyard Pinot Noir, The Farm Vineyard	Russian River Valley	Single Vineyard	96	Makes a statement; pomegranate and bing cherry. Nimble
Jeff Runquist Wines	2021 Jeff Runquist Graciano	Paso Robles	Three Way Vineyard	96	Black cherry, black currant, pepper, ginger.

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Jeff Runquist Wines	2021 Jeff Runquist Grenache TW	Paso Robles	Three Way Vineyard	98	Fabulous nose, structure, nice acid, juicy blueberry, makes you want a second glass. Blue fruit, stupendous, enlightening palate, enchanting, exciting.
Jeff Runquist Wines	2021 Jeff Runquist Malbec	El Dorado, Fair Play	Fiddlehead Vineyard	96	Pure mountain fruit flavors with notes of mineral. Licorice, and a long inky finish
Jeff Runquist Wines	2021 Jeff Runquist Tempranillo SRR	Amador County, Sierra Foothills	Shake Ridge Ranch	91	
Jeff Runquist Wines	2021 Jeff Runquist Petite Sirah	Clarksburg	Salman Vineyard	97	Briar, earthy, allspice. Good integration of fruit. Big round delicious.
Jeff Runquist Wines	2022 Jeff Runquist Chardonnay	Los Carneros	Sisters Vineyard	96	Classic cool climate style, sweet tree fruit, lemon, pear, pretty nose, elegant finish.
Jeff Runquist Wines	2020 Jeff Runquist Reserve Petit Verdot	San Joaquin County	Reserve	94	Bright fruit, lovely varietal representation.
Las Positas Vineyards	2022 Las Positas Vineyards Verdelho	Livermore Valley	Estate	98	Lemon, kaffir lime, white peppercorn.
Maan Farms Estate Winery	2022 MAAN FARMS ESTATE WINERY Maan Farms Raspberry Table	British Columbia		95	Tastes like a strawberry parfait. Nice long finish.
Mimosa Royale LLC	NV Mimosa Royale Watermelon	Napa Valley		93	Jolly Rancher. Inviting nose and real watermelon. A burst of candied. fresh notes and acidity
Mimosa Royale LLC	NV Mimosa Royale Berry	Sonoma County		94	A plethora of berries! Red and black fruit. Balanced well rounded mixture of acidity and freshness.
Monserate Winery	2021 Monserate Vineyards and Winery 2021 Pompeii	San Diego County	Estate Grown, Produced and Bottled	96	Watermelon rind. Very subtle baking spice. Dry red berry.

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Moondance Cellars/Orchard Station Winery	2019 Orchard Station Winery Chardonnay	Russian River Valley	Unoaked		95	Mango; girth and strength; good weight, food wine
Navarro Vineyards	2022 Navarro Vineyards Riesling Cluster Select Late Harvest	Anderson Valley			97	Dried apricot, hints of lemon and bright acidity. Classic!
Notre Vue Estate Wine Group	2021 Balverne Pinot Noir	Russian River Valley	Grown, Produced and Bottled	Certified Sustainable	98	Flavorful! With multiple layers of fruit. Vibrant yet earthy.
<u>Oak Farm Vineyards</u>	2021 Tievoli Red Blend	Lodi		Certified Green/Sustainable under Lodi Rules	95	Luscious on the mouth, elegant lingering finish.
Raging Bull Vineyard	2022 Raging Bull Vineyard The Pink Rose	Tehama County	Estate Grown, Produced and Bottled	Estate single vineyard	91	A pleasant surprise, a syrah based port...who knew.
River Road Family Vineyards and Winery	2022 Ron Rubin Ron Rubin Chardonnay	Russian River Valley		Certified B Corporation	97	Classic, reliable, wet stones, Ca. style, tree fruit, very satisfying.
Rodney Strong Wine Estates	2022 Rodney Strong Vineyards "Charlotte's Home" Sauvignon Blanc	Sonoma County			93	New Zealand style. Big mouth feel, Fruit forward nose. Crisp and clean.
Rodney Strong Wine Estates	2022 Rodney Strong Vineyards Sonoma Coast Rosé of Pinot Noir	Sonoma Coast			97	Rooibos tea, Dried cherry, intensive, wonderful balance and well structured.
Rodney Strong Wine Estates	2021 Rodney Strong Vineyards Sonoma County Red Blend	Sonoma County			98	Balanced, luscious, blueberry, savory, cedar, white spice, gorgeous tannins.
Sean Minor Wines	2020 Sean Minor Cabernet Sauvignon, Signature Series	North Coast			96	Notes of Tarragon. will age to perfection. Oak well integrated
Silver Mountain Vineyards	2013 Silver Mountain Vineyards Alloy	Santa Cruz Mountains			99	Baked red fruit, cherry and leather. Seamless blend of acid and tannins. Timeless. Astonishing; jaw dropping; youthfulness. Dorian Gray of Bordeaux blends.

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Soda Rock Winery	2021 Soda Rock Spur Hill Cabernet Sauvignon	Alexander Valley		98	Killer, Sarsaparilla, cola, lush big mouth, lip-smacking. Herbal tea and boysenberry
Soda Rock Winery	2021 Soda Rock Los Amigos Primitivo	Chalk Hill		92	Camphor, Oil cured olive, dark red berries.
Stanton Vineyards	2019 Stanton Vineyards Cabernet Sauvignon	Oakville	Reserve	95	Up front fruit and earth. Great viscosity. Long finish
Trecini Winery	2022 Trecini Pinot Noir	Russian River Valley		95	Nice fruit, gentle. Neutral oak with earthy undertones. Big mid palate
Trecini Winery	2022 Trecini GRENACHE BLANC	Rockpile	Barrel Fermented	97	Crisp Asian pear, beautifully tart.
Tsillan Cellars Winery	2021 Tsillan Cellars Estate Sangiovese	Lake Chelan	Estate Grown and Produced	96	Toasty, nice barrel, great use of wood. Softer more like the Italian style, warm spices.
Tsillan Cellars Winery	2021 Tsillan Cellars Estate Cabernet Franc	Lake Chelan	Estate Grown and Produced	96	Rich varietal fruit, well integrated, nice meshing of fruit & oak.
Tsillan Cellars Winery	2022 Tsillan Cellars Estate Viognier	Lake Chelan	Estate Grown and Produced	92	Stone fruit. Apricot. Bright acid.
Tsillan Cellars Winery	2022 Tsillan Cellars Estate Gewürztraminer	Lake Chelan	Estate Grown and Produced	90	Broad palate. Full mouth. Floral. White peach fruit
Tsillan Cellars Winery	2022 Tsillan Cellars Dolce Donna	Columbia Valley	100% stainless steel aged	94	The nose! Balanced, inviting. Floral and pretty kiwi. Perfumed and expressive
Tsillan Cellars Winery	2021 Tsillan Cellars Bellissima Rossa	Columbia Valley		100	Superb wine.. Rich, ripe red fruit. Supple notes of chocolate and leather. Perfect viscosity, long elegant clean finish. It's that good!
Turkovich Family Wines	2021 Turkovich Family Wines Roussanne	Yolo County		97	

Best Canned Wine

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Mimosa Royale LLC	NV Mimosa Royale Watermelon	Napa Valley	93	Jolly Rancher. Inviting nose and real watermelon. A burst of candied, fresh notes and acidity
<b>Best Boxed Wine</b>				
GALLO	2021 Black Box Merlot	California	90	Exhibits notes of deep fruit. Plums and ripe berries. The entry is pleasing and smooth. Hints of spice on the finish. A very well-balanced wine.