

Results of the Grand Prix du Vin Suisse

The shortlist has been announced: final results to be announced October 31, 2017.

The 78 wines competing for the 39 Grand Prix du Vin Suisse trophies are now known, with the shortlist made up of the six wines (gold and silver medal winners) nominated across the competition's 13 categories now revealed. For the 2017 edition, over 2840 wines from 511 producers were tasted in Sierre by 170 judges over a six-day period. Once again, this national competition has illustrated the incredible support it receives from Switzerland's growers, as well as the diversity and outstanding quality of their wines. The names of Switzerland's 2017 wine stars will be revealed on October 31, 2017.

Over 500 producers entered the 11th edition of the competition, organised in Sierre by VINEA Association in partnership with Vinum magazine. For white wines, 411 entries were submitted in the Chasselas category, 68 in Riesling Sylvaner and 577 in other white grapes (100% single grape variety) category, making it the largest category. For red wines, Pinot Noir (Switzerland's most planted grape) had 376 entries followed by red blends (289), other 100% single red grape wines (237), Merlot (165), Gamaret Garanoir (118) and Gamay (100). The sparkling, rosé, blanc de noirs and sweet wine (vin doux) categories amassed 395 entries, providing a vast array of choice for Swiss wine enthusiasts.

A snapshot of the Swiss wine growing world

With its 13 categories, this competition represents a mosaic of local and international grape varieties and the results of the Grand Prix du Vin Suisse give consumers an overview of the very best Swiss wines in all their diversity.

In accordance with the guidelines of the USOE (Union suisse des œnologues – the Swiss Oenologists' Union), only 30% of entries are awarded a medal.

For this edition, just over 10% of the wines won a gold medal. The way these medals were allocated reflects the size of Switzerland's six production areas, with canton Valais taking 135 gold medals, followed by Vaud (84), Ticino (22), Zürich (16), and Neuchâtel and Geneva (11 each), to cite those cantons winning the most gold medals.

The majority of Swiss grape varieties were represented amongst the 303 gold medals awarded this year. Amongst others, gold was given to 48 Chasselas, 43 Pinot Noirs, 21 Merlots, 55 other white varieties and 33 other red varieties. There were 31 gold medals awarded to red and white wines made from blends, with sweet wines taking 31 gold medals.

The shortlist

The finalists - the first six wines from each category – come from across Switzerland's wine regions, namely Valais (26), Vaud (17), Zürich (9) and Ticino (7), with Neuchâtel and Geneva achieving 6 and 5 nominations respectively. These wines will be tasted again alongside each other by a panel of expert tasters in order to establish the final result (1st, 2nd and 3rd) for each category. The names of the category winners as well as the winners of the Special Prizes (Prix Bio, Prix Vinissimo Blanc and Rouge) will be revealed at the Gala des Vins Suisses on October 31 in Bern. The coveted Swiss Winery of the Year 2017 award will be announced on the same evening.

Organised by VINEA association and Vinum magazine, this competition is a veritable showcase for Swiss wines; it gives consumers and buyers valuable pointers for making purchasing decisions.

NB. The Gala des Vins Suisses will be held on October 31, 2017 at the Kursaal in Bern. This event is open to the public. For information and reservations, contact Vinum, www.vinum.ch or www.grandprixduvinsuisse.ch

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THE FINALISTS

CHASSELAS

St-Saphorin Bellevue 2016	Lavaux AOC Les fils Rogivue – 1071 Chexbres (VD)
Calamin Grand Cru 2016	Lavaux AOC Domaine Antoine Bovard – 1096 Cully (VD)
La Rionde Saint- Saphorin 2016	Lavaux AOC Au Clos de la République – 1098 Epresses (VD)
Domaine de la Doges 2016	Lavaux AOC J. & P. Testuz SA – 1800 Vevey (VD)
Fendant Martigny 2016	AOC Valais Alexis Jacquéroiz SA – 1920 Martigny (VS)
Fendant 2015	AOC Valais Ozenit – 3977 Granges (VS)

MÜLLER-THURGAU

Baselbieter Riesling-Sylvaner 2016	AOC Basel-Landschaft Siebe Dupf Kellerei AG – 4410 Liestal (BL)
Jeninser Riesling – Silvaner 2016	AOC Graubünden Obrecht Weine – 7307 Jenins (GR)
Nobler Weisser 2016	Vin de Pays Suisse Weingut Nadine Saxer – 8413 Neftenbach (ZH)
Riesling-Sylvaner 2016	AOC Zürichsee Schnorf Weinbau – 8707 Uetikon Am See (ZH)
Initio 2016	AOC Zürichsee Klosterkellerei Einsiedeln – 8840 Einsiedeln (ZH)
Riesling Sylvaner 2016	AOC St.Gallen Weingut am Steinig Tisch – 9425 Thal (SG)

AUTRES CÉPAGES BLANCS PURS / ANDERE SORTENREINE WEISSWEINE

Pinot Blanc de Chardonne 2016	AOC Lavaux Gianni Bernasconi – 1803 Chardonne (VD)
Petite Arvine Domaine de Clavoz 2015	AOC Valais Renaissance Vins SA – 1906 Charrat (VS)
Heida Réserve 2014	AOC Valais Cave Corbassière – 1913 Saillon (VS)
Païen 2016	AOC Valais Cave des Bernunes – 3960 Sierre (VS)
Petite Arvine 2015	AOC Valais Cave du Rhodan Mounir Weine AG - 3970 Salgesch (VS)
Païen les Bernunes 2016	AOC Valais Cave Caloz Sandrine – 3972 Miège (VS)

ASSEMBLAGES BLANCS – WEISSE ASSEMBLAGEN

Cassiopée Perroy Grand Cru 2016	AOC La Côte La Vaudoise des Quatre-vents – 1166 Perroy (VD)
L'as de Cœur 2016	AOC la Côte Cave de Jolimont SA – 1185 Mont-sur-Rolle (VD)
Premium Blanc 1er cru 2015	AOC Genève Domaine Château du Crest – 1254 Jussy (GE)
Domaine Chervet Cuvée de l'Arzille 2015	AOC Vully Domaine Chervet – 1788 Praz (Vully) (FR)
Libertin 2015	AOC Valais Cave Petite Vertu – 1955 Chamoson (VS)
Apriori 2016	AOC Valais Vinigma GmbH – 4053 Basel (BS)

VINS ROSÉS ET BLANCS DE NOIRS – ROSÉ UND FEDERWEISSE

Speed Tasting 2016	AOC La Côte Berthaudin SA – 1227 Carouge (GE)
Domaine rosé 2016	AOC Genève Domaine Château du Crest, J. Meyer - 1254 Jussy (GE)
Oeil de Perdrix 2016	AOC Neuchâtel Caves du Château d'Auvernier – 2012 Auvernier (NE)
Oeil-de-Perdrix 2016	AOC Neuchâtel J.-Ch. Porret – 2016 Cortaillod (NE)
Oeil-de-Perdrix les Petits Crêts 2016	AOC Neuchâtel Caves des Coteaux – 2017 Areuse-Boudry (NE)
Federweisser 2016	AOC Zürichsee Weinbau Wetli, Männedorf – 8708 Männedorf (ZH)

PINOT NOIR

Pinot Noir Clos de La Couta Vex 2015	AOC Valais Domaine Jean-René Germanier – 1963 Vétroz (VS)
Pisür Pinot Noir de Salquenen 2015	AOC Valais Cave Saint Philippe – 3970 Salgesch (VS)
Pinot Noir Sélection 2015	AOC Graubünden Johanni Weinbau – 7307 Jenins (GR)
Pinot Noir Barrique 2015	AOC Schaffhausen Agne Familie Gysel – 8215 Hallau (SH)
Pinot Noir Barrique Wiesendangen 2015	AOC Zürich Kindhauser-Berghof – 8542 Wiesendangen (ZH)
Pinot Noir Barrique 2015	AOC Zürichsee Agroscope Wädenswil – 8820 Wädenswil (ZH)

GAMAY

Dézaley Grand Cru Versailles 2015	AOC Lavaux Les Frères Dubois – 1096 Cully (VD)
Le Baron Rouge 1er Cru 2016	AOC Genève Domaine des Charmes – 1242 Satigny (GE)
Gamay Réserve du Domaine 2015	AOC Genève Domaine des Molards – 1281 Russin (GE)
Gamay Confidentiel 2015	AOC Côtes de l'Orbe Château de Valeyres – 1358 Valeyres-Sous-Rances (VD)
Gamay 2016	AOC Valais Cave Mabillard – 1971 Champlan (VS)
Gamay 2016	AOC Valais Nouveau St-Clément, C. Lamon & Cie SA – 3978 Flanthey (VS)

MERLOT

Le Bernardin Collection Bernard Ravet 2015	AOC La Côte Uvavins - Cave de la Côte – 1131 Tolochenaz (VD)
Merlot Apicius Vieilles Vignes 2014	AOC Chablais Hammel SA - Terres de Vins – 1180 Rolle (VD)
Pian Marnino Merlot 2015	DOC Ticino Agriturismo Tenuta Pian Marnino – 6515 Gudo (TI)
Castelrotto 2015	DOC Ticino Tamborini Carlo SA – 6814 Lamone (TI)
Ronco dei Profeti 2015	IGT Svizzera Italiana Tenuta Agricola Luigina SA – 6855 Stabio (TI)
Piccola Vigna Merlot Barrique 2013	DOC Ticino Piccola Vigna Sagl – 6877 Coldrerio (TI)

AUTRES CÉPAGES ROUGES PURS / ANDERE SORTENREINE ROTWEINE

Modus Vivendi 2012	AOC Valais Cave du Vidomne – 1955 St-Pierre-de-Clages (VS)
Cayas Syrah 2013	AOC Valais Domaine Jean-René Germanier – 1963 Vétroz (VS)
Syrah Réserve 2015	AOC Valais Cave du Vieux Moulin – 1963 Vétroz (VS)
Syrah 2016	AOC Valais Cave Mabillard – 1971 Champlan (VS)
Cornalin 2016	AOC Valais Kellerei Leukersonne – 3952 Susten (VS)
Syrah Diego Mathier 2015	AOC Valais Adrian & Diego Mathier Nouveau Salquenen AG – 3970 Salgesch (VS)

ASSEMBLAGES ROUGES – ROTE ASSEMBLAGEN

Baton Rouge 2012	Vin de table Suisse Cave du Vidomne – 1955 St-Pierre-de-Clages (VS)
Vindala 2014	IGT Svizzera Italiana Cantina Settemaggio – 6513 Monte Carasso (TI)
M&G 2015	DOC Ticino Cantina Magiro – 6518 Gorduno (TI)
Binôme 2015	Vin de Pays Suisse Zweifel Weine & Getränke AG – 8049 Zürich (ZH)
Sequana 2016	AOC Thurgau Weingut Wolfer – 8570 Weinfelden (TG)
Plural 2015	AOC Zürich Weingut Erich Meier – 8707 Uetikon am See (ZH)

GAMARET, GARANOIR PURS OU EN ASSEMBLAGE DES DEUX CEPAGES

Le Désir Noir 2016	AOC La Côte Domaine de la Crosettaz – 1182 Gilly (VD)
Gamaret 2016	AOC La Côte Domaine de la Croix – 1183 Bursins (VD)
Légende 2015	AOC Genève Domaine du Centaure – 1283 Dardagny (GE)
Les Réserves de l'Abbatiale 2016	AOC Lavaux Les Propriétés de la Ville de Payerne – 1530 Payerne (VD)
Métissage Cuvée Pénélope 2015	AOC Neuchâtel Caves de Chambleau – 2013 Colombier (NE)
Gamaret 2014	AOC Zürichsee Weinbau Wetli, Männedorf – 8708 Männedorf (ZH)

**VINS BLANCS, ROUGES ET ROSÉS AVEC SUCRE RÉSIDUEL DÈS 8 G/L
WEISSWEINE, ROTWEINE UND ROSÉ MIT RESTZUCKER AB 8 G/L**

Les Romaines Gewürztraminer 2015	AOC La Côte Les Frères Dutruy – 1297 Founex (VD)
Domaine Tourbillon 2012	AOC Valais Provins Valais – 1951 Sion (VS)
Johannisberg Saint-Martin 2013	AOC Valais Domaine du Mont d'Or SA – 1951 Sion (VS)
Petite Arvine flétrie 2013	AOC Valais Domaine des Muses – 3960 Sierre (VS)
Muscat flétri La mia folia 2015	AOC Valais Cave Cordonier et Lamon SA – 3978 Flanthey (VS)
Millefiori 2015	IGT Svizzera Italiana Agriloro SA – 6852 Genestrerio (TI)

VINS MOUSSEUX - SCHAUMWEINE

Champvigny Brut	AOC Genève Domaine de Champvigny – 1242 Satigny (GE)
Les Romaine Brut Rosé 2015	AOC La Côte Les Frères Dutruy – 1297 Founex (VD)
Brut de l'Orpailleur 2014	AOC Valais Frédéric Dumoulin SA - L'Orpailleur – 1958 Uvrier (VS)
Bel Héritage 2012	Vin de Pays Suisse Mauler et Cie SA – 2112 Môtiers (NE)
Jeanne 2015	AOC Valais Cave du Chevalier Bayard SA – 3953 Varen (VS)
Crémant brut 2014	AOC Aargau Weingut FIBL – 5070 Frick (AG)