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Quady Winery Earns Best of Class Honors at San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition

Madera, Calif. – Quady Winery’s Elysium Black Muscat earned Best of Class accolades at the 2023 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition (SFCWC) – the largest competition of North American wines and one of the largest gathering points of American wines anywhere in the world.

Nearly 1,000 wineries submitted more than 5,500 wines to the competition, with 195 selected as Best of Class within their categories. Quady’s Elysium was awarded the honor in the red dessert wine category, with seven other Quady wines also earning medals in their respective categories.

“This Elysium is refreshingly sweet, peppery with spice and conveys an overall bouncy joviality. It’s the kind of rare wine that happily can be paired with chocolate, fruity custards and blue-veined cheeses,” wrote longtime wine writer Mike Dunne, who tasted and created notes for the 50 Best of Class wines he found most exemplary.

The SFCWC has been one of the most well-respected and highly publicized wine competitions since its inception 23 years ago, offering wineries of all sizes the opportunity to showcase their wines on a greater level.

In addition to this year’s top category award, Quady wines received Best of Class honors from the SFCWC during its previous three wine competitions: Red Electra Moscato (2022) and Starboard Batch 88 (2021, 2020).

About Quady Winery:

Certified Sustainable by the California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance, Quady Winery was founded by Andrew and Laurel Quady in 1975 and is the only winery in California to specialize in sweet wines from Black Muscat, Orange Muscat, and Muscat Canelli varietals. Elysium Black Muscat, first produced in 1983, was one of the first varietal bottlings of a fortified Black Muscat in the United States. Black Muscat is a highly aromatic variety and smells of roses.

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