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Briedé Family Vineyards Achieves Remarkable Success at the 2024 Atlantic Seaboard Wine Association Competition.

Winchester, VA – August 15, 2024 – Briedé Family Vineyards is thrilled to announce its remarkable success at the 2024 Atlantic Seaboard Wine Competition. As a testament to exceptional winemaking and an unwavering commitment to excellence using primarily hybrid grapes, three of Briedé Family Vineyards' exquisite wines have been awarded Gold medals.

To help identify the best of the best, the Atlantic Seaboard Wine Association (ASWA) holds an annual wine competition, the largest in the nation focused exclusively on the wines of the East Coast. The competition covers the 17 states from Maine to Florida that border the Atlantic, also including Vermont, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. The professional competition judges hail from all parts of the country and many facets of the wine trade.

## Gold Medal Winners:

2023 Le Meilleur – this newly released wine is made primarily from the hybrid grape La Crescent with 10% Traminette added for a beautifully balanced wine with lovely floral notes.

2023 Riesling – As described by world-renowned wine critic Julie Harding of JancisRobinson.com, "Pure, scented lemon-and-lime freshness and a hint of mango. Sweet lemons all the way to the rounded, soft but balanced mouth-watering finish... acidity and fruit are excellent partners...impressive depth of flavour."

2021 Stuurboord Port-Style Wine – a lovely Port-style wine made with Tannat and aged with Brandy for three years in French Oak Barrels.

These Gold Medal winning wines reflect not only the incredible work of our highly regarded winemaker, Nate Walsh, and the high standards of owners Paul and Loretta Briedé, but also our unwavering commitment to growing high quality and very versatile hybrid grapes.

In addition, two Briedé wines received "Best in Category" honors:

Other White Hybrid/NA Varietal – 2023 Le Meilleur Port-Styled Wines – 2021 Stuurboord

Five Briedé wines received Silver medals:

2023 Arandell Special Reserve

2022 Chocolate Red

2023 Guthrie Cab Franc

2023 Marquette

2020 Sparkling Winchester

Another six Briedé wines won Bronze medals, totaling an impressive 14 medals overall.

Paul and Loretta Briedé expressed their excitement over this achievement: "Winning these awards is quite an honor, and a wonderful validation of our passion for making exceptional wines. Every bottle reflects our dedication to hybrid grapes and our desire to produce the highest quality wines. We're also honored to play a small part in elevating the Virginia wine industry and, of course, our Shenandoah AVA."

Briedé invites all wine lovers to visit our scenic vineyards in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley and savor our many award-winning wines.

## About Briedé Family Vineyards®

Briedé Family Vineyards is a small, family-owned vineyard near Winchester, Virginia, and has quickly become a well-known grower of premium hybrid grapes, and a producer of numerous award-winning wines in state, national and international competitions. Producing 1,000 cases annually, owners Paul and Loretta Briedé take a very hands-on approach, working in close partnership with winemaker Nate Walsh, to produce the highest quality wines possible. Having planted the first vines in 2013, this young vineyard has received national and international attention from multiple outlets and critics including Julia Harding of JancisRobinson.com, where they hold an average winery score of 16.3, a Superior to Distinguished rating. The recent release of Agathosune, an Orange Wine made from the Cayuga hybrid grape, also received 91 points from the American Wine Society.

Briedé Family Vineyards offers Founders Wine Club memberships, giving members exclusive access to special releases of their award-winning wines and several special events throughout the year.

The wines are also available in select wine shops and restaurants.

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Complete list of ASWA 2024 medal winners can be found here.