

# VILLÁNY IN INTERNATIONAL FOCUS

## THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL FRANC DU MONDE CONTEST RESULTS ANNOUNCED

Producers of Hungarian Villány wine region have been organizing Franc & Franc conference and tasting for years, and by today the event has become the international forum of Cabernet Franc variety. After several years of successful conferences, they decided to create a prestigious wine competition focusing on Cabernet Franc – this is Franc Du Monde.

Wines could arrive from every region of the world, where – like in Villány – winemakers pay special attention to this grape and make varietal Cabernet Franc wines.

### ENTRIES TO THE WINE COMPETITION COULD BE MADE IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES:

- classic: Cabernet Franc single-varietal wines with at least 9% ABV
- premium: Cabernet Franc single-varietal wines aged for at least 12 months in oak with at least 12.5% ABV
- older vintages: Cabernet Franc single-varietal wines with vintage at least ten years ago (in 2022, wines from the 2012 vintage or older)
- blends: blends containing at least 70% Cabernet Franc

The story started with legendary Michael Broadbent visiting Villány in 2000 and making his famous statement: "Cabernet Franc has found its natural home in Villány". "Our decision to create a new wine contest was inspired by the experiences of the past years, since Villány wine region has already organized Cabernet Franc themed trade and consumer events 6 times so far. During these years many of the most significant Old and New World producers presented their wines at Franc & Franc. They are devoted producers who believe in the variety and make varietal wine of it" – commented Gergely Nagy, the executive manager of Tenkes Regional Development Nonprofit Ltd.

Premium – the most popular segment

101 wines entered from 8 countries: France, Slovakia, Croatia, Serbia, Romania, Turkey, Argentina and Hungary. "Premium" was the most popular category with 67 entries. Wines were evaluated by renowned international wine experts including two Master of Wine experts.

### JURY MEMBERS:

Cees van Casteren MW, Ximena Pacheco, György Orodán, Zoltán Györffy, Csilla Sebestyén, Pasi Ketolainen MW, Attila Fiáth, Ágnes Németh, Davide Bortone, Tolson Sue, Niklas Bergquist, László Romsics, Ivett Vancsik, Jeroen Terhorst, Joel B. Payne, Tomislav Ivanovic

As the jury members summarized after the contest, the overall quality of the wines was very high, and since the contest followed the OIV rules, only 30% of the entered wines could receive medal. The medal winner wines are all above 89.2 points!



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# FRANC DU MONDE INTERNATIONAL WINE CONTEST MEDAL WINNERS:

## GOLD MEDALS:

- Bock Cabernet Franc 1993, Villány, Hungary (old vintage wine)
- Fritsch Villányi Cabernet Franc 2019, Villány, Hungary (classic)
- Günzer Tamás Bocor Villányi Franc 2019, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Csányi Chateau Teleki Villányi Cabernet Franc 2002, Villány, Hungary (old vintage wine)
- El Enemigo Cabernet Franc 2016, Argentina (premium)
- Vylyan Franc Variations 2020 barrel 2020, Villány, Hungary (classic)
- Blum Villányi Franc 2018, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Tajna Cabernet Franc 2019, Slovakia (premium)
- Bodri Cabernet Franc "Dűlő" (Vineyard) Selection 2019, Szekszárd, Hungary (premium)
- Havas & Timár Franom 2018, Eger, Hungary (premium)
- Bock Villányi Franc Ördögárok Selection 2015, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Csányi Teleki Tradíció 1881 Villányi Franc KOPÁR 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)

## SILVER MEDALS:

- Jackfall Cabernet Franc 2017, Villány, Hungary (classic)
- Belo Brdo Cabernet Franc black Label 2017, Serbia (premium)
- Havas & Timár Franom Barrel Selection, 2017, Eger, Hungary (premium)
- Szende Kopár Villányi Franc 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Mokos Villányi Franc Super Premium 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Blum Cabernet Franc 2017, Villány, Hungary (classic)
- Weninger & Gere Villányi Franc (Csillagvölgy) 2018, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Antal Cabernet Franc 2020, Szekszárd, Hungary (classic)
- Vesztergombi Kerékhegy Cabernet Franc 2017, Szekszárd, Hungary (premium)
- Lelovits Tamás Villányi Franc 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Bock Villányi Franc Fekete-hegy Selection 2012, Villány, Hungary (old vintage wine)
- Bakonyi BIO Villányi Cabernet Franc 2020, Villány, Hungary (classic)
- Mokos Villányi Franc 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Csányi Chateau Teleki Villányi Franc 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Bock Villányi Franc Fekete-hegy Selection 2009, Villány, Hungary (old vintage wine)
- Bock Villányi Franc M Selection 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Cabernet Franc 2013, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Koch VinArt Cabernet Franc 2018 Villány, Hungary (classic)
- Feravino (Enosophia) Cabernet Franc Miraz 2018, Croatia (premium)
- Heumann La Trinitá Villányi Franc 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)
- Koch VinArt 899 Villányi Franc 2017, Villány, Hungary (premium)

The award ceremony took place a day after the contest (11 June) at Bock Winery conference centre. The conference was funded by „Wine Tour Across Borders” HUHR/1901/2.1.3/0095 project of Villány wine region.

After giving over the certificates, Cees van Casteren MW, Pasi Ketolainen MW, Chilean winemaker Ximena Pacheco and András Horkay DipWSET gave lectures about different Cabernet Franc styles and summarized their experiences. The ceremony ended with lunch and tasting of the samples.

## PHOTO GALLERY:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1sUc8nh3azlANOi9s2zsqNGbf2MgJmNZY?usp=sharing>

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