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Trump Winery -- North America's best Blanc de Blanc

*2014 Blanc de Blanc WINS prestigious "Sparkling Sweepstake" award
at the San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition*

Charlottesville, VA – January 16, 2019: The San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition (SFCWC) is the nation's largest competition of North American wines. Over four days, more than 60 professional judges from around the nation tasted, evaluated, and determined the winners from more than 6,800 wines from over 1,132 wineries. The competition concluded with a final tasting of the best of the best to award the "Sweepstake" winners. Only nine entries were honored with the prestigious "Sweepstake Award".

Bob Fraser, SFCWC Executive Director stated, "Congratulations to Trump Winery for winning the prestigious Sparkling Sweepstake Award from over 6,835 wines for their Blanc de Blanc Sparkling at the 2019 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition. The Sparkling Sweepstake Award is awarded to the top Sparkling in the largest competition of North American wines in the world."

"Trump Winery has had another exceptional year and we are honored to receive this prestigious accolade from the renowned San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition. Our Blanc de Blanc is outstanding by every metric and I am incredibly proud of our amazing team." – Eric Trump, President of Trump Winery

"The Blanc de Blanc has been my favorite wine to produce year after year. This wine has consistently won gold medals and best-in-class designations over the years, so it is thrilling to take home this top award for the first time. I am always focused on improving the quality of the wines, starting in the vineyard, so to have a panel of such esteemed professionals rate our 2014 Blanc de Blanc the best sparkling wine validates all of our hard work and dedication. I am so proud of the vineyard and winery team and everyone involved in making this wine." – Jonathan Wheeler, Winemaker

Mike Dunne, wine columnist for the Sacramento Bee, noted that the 2014 Blanc de Blanc "stood out for its fine color, precise beads, boldness and persistence. Its citric fruit was buoyed by snappy acidity and complicated with a yeastiness more often identified with Champagne than American sparkling wine."

About Trump Winery®

Nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains in central Virginia, Trump Winery® lies a few miles from James Monroe's Highland and Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, the birthplace of American Viticulture. At nearly 1,300 acres, with 227 acres of vineyard, the winery is the largest in Virginia and the largest vinifera vineyard on the East Coast. With multiple best-in-class designations, the estate produces the finest terroir-driven sparkling, white and red wines. To learn about all of our award winning wines, visit <https://www.trumpwinery.com/winery/accolades/>

About the competition

The annual competition, celebrating its 19th year, took place in Sonoma County, CA January 8-11th. To learn more about the competition and awards: <http://winejudging.com/medal-winners/>