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###### <BreweryName> Claims < Gold, Silver or Bronze> Medal at the Great American Beer Festival®

<Beer Name> Wins Prestigious Brewing Honor in <INSERT CATEGORY>

**<City>, <State> • <Date>**— **<Name of brewery>** received a **<gold, silver or bronze>** medal at the 2017 Great American Beer Festival (GABF) competition. Presented by the [Brewers Association](https://www.brewersassociation.org/), GABF is the largest commercial beer competition in the world and recognizes the most outstanding beers produced in the United States. The top three winners in the competition’s 98 beer-style categories were announced October 7 at the Great American Beer Festival awards ceremony held at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver, Colorado.

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**“<Quote from owner or head brewer,>**” said **<name>**, **<title>** at **<name of brewery>**.

**<Name of brewery>** was recognized in the **<style category>** beer-style category for its **<name of beer>**, a **<short description of beer, including color, taste, food it pairs with and any interesting facts or history>**. **<Name of brewery>** is a **<number>**-barrel **<brewpub, microbrewery, etc.>** located in **<city, state>** that specializes in **<distinguishing features or short description of brewery.>**

The 2017 GABF competition winners were selected by an international panel of 276 expert judges from 7,923 entries, plus 118 Pro-Am entries, received from 2,217 U.S. breweries.

“Each year the Great American Beer Festival showcases the best that American brewers have to offer,” said Chris Swersey, competition manager, Great American Beer Festival. “With a record 8,000 + entries, this year’s competition was the most competitive to date. Congratulations to all the winners who truly demonstrated why the U.S. is the world’s best and most diverse brewing nation.”

For more GABF competition information, including the 2017 winners list and photos, visit [GreatAmericanBeerFestival.com](http://www.GreatAmericanBeerFestival.com).

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