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INTERNATIONAL EXTRA VIRGIN OLIVE OIL COMPETITION 2022

MARIO SOLINAS QUALITY AWARD
INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL

PRIZE WINNERS AND FINALISTS

Some 120 oils were entered into the International Olive Council’s Mario Solinas Quality Award 2022, announced in November 2021, with entries from Argentina (1), China (4), Croatia (1), France (2), Greece (2), Italy (4), Morocco (1), Portugal (19), Spain (68), Tunisia (15) and Turkey (3).

Entries were submitted by individual producers, producer associations and packers.

According to the competition rules of November 2021, only extra virgin olive oils from large-scale producers (batch ≥ 4,000 litres) were classified according to the median and the type of fruitiness.

Entries were classified in one of the following groups:

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<th>Median of fruitiness</th>
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<td>Robust green fruitiness</td>
<td>Me &gt; 6</td>
<td>≥ 4,000 litres</td>
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<td>3 &lt; Me ≤ 6</td>
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A group of panels recognised by the IOC selected the six oils with the highest scores in each category.

The leaders of these panels, who made up the international panel of this year’s competition, chose the winners in each category and in accordance with the competition rules. They used an evaluation sheet to score out of 100 the olfactory, gustatory and retronasal sensations as well as the harmony, complexity and persistence of each oil. They also proposed the second and third prizes for each category to the Executive Secretariat.
For the Southern Hemisphere section, no oils placed second or third.
WINNERS OF THE 2022 INTERNATIONAL OLIVE COUNCIL MARIO SOLINAS QUALITY AWARD

First prize

**Robust green fruitiness**
Oleícola San Francisco S.L- Begíjar (Jaén) - Spain

**Medium green fruitiness**
Olivarera Ntra. Sra. De Guadalupe, Sdad. Coop. And. - Baena (Córdoba) - Spain

**Delicate green fruitiness**
CHO Company- Sfax - Tunisia

**Ripe fruitiness**
Sabino Leone - Canosa Di Puglia (BT) - Italy

**Small-Scale producers**
Sté Rajhi Ferjani des Industries Alimentaires – Bouargoub (Nabeul) - Tunisia

**Packers**
Hispania Food Company XXI, S.L - Carcabuey (Córdoba) – Spain

**Southern Hemisphere**
"El Mistol Premium" Agropecuaria El Mistol S.A.- San Juan - Argentina

Second prize

**Robust green fruitiness**
S.C.A. San Vicente - Mogón-Villacarrillo (Jaén) - Spain

**Medium green fruitiness**
Aceites García de la Cruz, S.L. Madridejos (Toledo) - Spain

**Delicate green fruitiness**
Biolive Company- Zaghouane - Tunisia

**Ripe fruitiness**
Société Agricole Nour El Ain (Utique Valley) - Sfax - Tunisia

**Small-Scale producers**
SARL Moulin Oltremonti - Linguizzetta - France

**Packers**
Almazara de Muela, S.L. - Priego de Córdoba (Córdoba) - Spain

Third prize

**Robust green fruitiness**
Uljara Vodnjan - Pula - Croatia

**Medium green fruitiness**
Murtigão Sociedade Agricola, S.A. - Ferreira do Alentejo - Portugal
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<td>Domaine Fendri - Sfax - Tunisia</td>
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<td>Small-Scale producers</td>
<td>Simply Spanish Product S.L. - Madrid - Spain (Tank located at Cortijo de la Loma - Baeza - Spain)</td>
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<td>Packers</td>
<td>Olivarera San José de Lora de Estepa, S.C.A de Oleoestepa- Lora de Estepa (Sevilla) - Spain</td>
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FINALISTS

**Robust green fruitiness:**

1st  Aceite Aroden Hispania, S.L. - Carcabuey (Córdoba) - Spain  
2nd  Knolive Oils, S.L.- Priego de Córdoba (Córdoba) - Spain  
3rd  S.C.A. Bedmarens - Bedmar (Jaén) – Spain  

**Medium green fruitiness:**

1st  Nova Vera Gida Ve Tarim San. Tic. AS. - Balikesir - Turkey  
2nd  Terraverne 2020 S.L. - Teba (Málaga) - Spain  
3rd  Muela-Olives, S.L.- Priego de Córdoba (Córdoba) - Spain  

**Delicate green fruitiness:**

1st  Bulla Regia - Ben Arous - Tunisia  
2nd  Olivko - Tunis - Tunisia  
3rd  Etablissements Hatem Chaabane - Jedaida - Tunisia  

**Ripe fruitiness:**

1st  Olinorte Produçao Agricola LDA - Évora - Portugal  
2nd  Meray Zeytincilik Tarim Gida Ltd Sti - Aydin (Line) - Turkey  
3rd  La Perle de Conditionnement d'huile - Sousse – Tunisia  

**Small-scale producers:**

1st  Société SPAL - Tunis - Tunisia  
2nd  Accademia Olearia SRL - Alghero (Sassari) - Italy  
3rd  SAS Virant - Château Virant - Lançon de Provence - France
In accordance with the rules of the competition, all competitors may now unseal the container holding the batch of oil they entered into the competition.

The winners may now display the prize on the labels of the extra virgin olive oil belonging to the same batch as the winning sample. They may now request a special logo from the Executive Secretariat.

The time and place of the prize-giving ceremony will be announced in due course.