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International wine guides:

99 top marks for Alto Adige wines

68 wines, 99 top marks: the most renowned wine guides of the world have accepted Alto Adige as a wine country to be reckoned with over the past few years. The 99 top marks awarded to 68 Alto Adige wines by 29 producers only serve to cement that reputation.

Decanter, Robert Parker – The Wine Advocate, the VINUM wine guide, the Falstaff wine guide, James Suckling, and Gault&Millau: anybody who is somebody in the world of wine cannot ignore the Alto Adige wines. The most renowned non-Italian wine guides around the globe have awarded an impressive **99 top marks** to Alto Adige wines this year. “What we love most about that is the fact that we don’t just have a few excellent producers but that **there are many who compete at the top**,” says Andreas Kofler, President of the Consorzio Alto Adige Wines. “That became crystal clear once again in the current ratings.” And not just those, by the way: a number of producers is also among those who received **special awards** this year. The VINUM wine guide, for example, saw **Manincor as the Winegrowing Estate of the Year**, **Tenuta Pfitscher as the Newcomer of the Year**, and the **Untermoserhof estate as the Discovery of the Year**. For Gault&Millau, **Florian Brigl from Tenuta Kornell is the Personality of the Year**, the wines from **Gump Hof – Markus Prackwieser are the Collection of the Year**, and the **2015 Merlot-Cabernet Riserva Tres** by the **Cantina Kurtatsch** is Gault&Millau’s chosen **Wine Premiere of the Year 2024**.

29 producers receiving top marks

The wide range of top products also becomes evident in the large number of those who received **at least one top mark—no fewer than 29 producers**, with the Cantina Terlano winery in the lead with 21 top marks for its wines. It is followed by the St. Michael-Eppan winery with ten top marks, the Nals Margreid winery (eight), the Cantina Tramin winery (seven), and the Cantina Giran winery (six). The Manincor winegrowing estate also took home six top marks, the Cantina Kurtatsch five, and the Cantina Andriano, Gump Hof – Markus Prackwieser, Tenuta Kornell and Pfitscher three each.

Producers with five top marks or more in total	Total number of top marks	Number of top-rated wines
Cantina Terlano	21	11
St. Michael-Eppan	10	4
Nals Margreid	8	5
Cantina Tramin	7	4
Manincor	6	4
Cantina Giran	6	4
Cantina Kurtatsch	5	3

Whites at the top—and Pinot Noir

The Alto Adige grape varieties, too, have a top range rather than a top pick. In the major categories, **white wines are leading the list with 60 top marks for 39 different wines. Red wines from Alto Adige scored 30 top marks for 23 wines**, and let us not forget the **nine top marks for six sweet wines**. “These ratings only go to show that Alto Adige is equally adept at producing top-quality white and red wines,” says Kofler. “This is not just thanks to our producers but also due to the very diverse terroirs in Alto Adige.”

However, even though white wines collected more top marks in total than reds, the one **variety with the most accolades** is, in fact, a red: **Pinot Noir** accounts for twelve of the total of 68 accoladed wines. It is followed by Chardonnay (ten top-rated wines), Pinot Blanc (eight), Lagrein (seven), and Sauvignon (six).

Accoladed varieties in the international wine guides	Number of top-rated wines
Pinot Noir	12
Chardonnay	10
Pinot Blanc	8
Lagrein	7
Sauvignon	6
White cuvées	5
Terlano	4
Gewürztraminer (2 of which sweet wines)	3
Red cuvées	3
Riesling	2
Yellow Muscat (both sweet wines)	2
Kerner	1
Merlot	1
Pinot Grigio	1
Veltliner	1
Other white wine varieties (Petit Manseng)	1

Sweet cuvées	1
Total	68

All that remains now is to look at the individual **wines which received the highest number of top marks from the six most renowned international guides in 2024**. That list is topped by the **2020 Terlaner Primo Grande Cuvée by the Cantina Terlano**, which received the top mark from five of the six wine guides. The **2018 Appius by the St. Michael-Eppan winery** as well as the **2010 Rarity Pinot Bianco by the Cantina Terlano winery** each scored four top marks. **Six wines scored three top marks, nine scored two, and fifty labels received one top mark each.**

Wines with the highest number of top marks in the international wine guides			Total number of accolades
2020 Terlaner Primo Grande Cuvée	Cantina Terlano	Alto Adige DOC	5
2018 Appius	St. Michael-Eppan winery	Alto Adige DOC	4
2010 Rarity Pinot Bianco	Cantina Terlano	Alto Adige Terlano DOC	4
2019 Pinot Noir Riserva Vigna Ganger	Cantina Girlan	Alto Adige DOC	3
2015 Merlot-Cabernet Riserva Tres	Cantina Kurtatsch	Alto Adige DOC	3
2019 Chardonnay Nama	Nals Margreid	Alto Adige DOC	3
2019 Pinot Noir Riserva The Wine Collection	St. Michael-Eppan winery	Alto Adige DOC	3
2020 Terlaner Riserva Nova Domus	Cantina Terlano	Alto Adige DOC	3
2016 Gewürztraminer Spätlese Epokale	Cantina Tramin	Alto Adige DOC	3

Annex: Complete list

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			Decanter 2023 – World Wine Awards	Robert Parker 2024 – Wine Advocate	VINUM wine guide 2024 – 95+	Falstaff wine guide 2023/24 – 95+	James Suckling 2023 – 95+	Gault&Millau 2024 – Five grapes	Total number of accolades
2019 Pinot Noir Abraham Art	Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT	Abraham Winery				1			1
2021 Chardonnay Riserva Doran	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Andriano					1		1
2021 Gewürztraminer Passito Juvelo	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Andriano					1		1
2021 Pinot Noir Riserva Anrar	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Andriano					1		1
2021 Moscato giallo Passito Vinalia	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Bolzano					1		1
2021 Lagrein Riserva Taber	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Bolzano				1			1
2019 Chardonnay Riserva Kreuzweg Family Reserve	Alto Adige DOC	Castelfeder				1		1	2
2019 LR Riserva	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Colterenzio		1		1			2
2020 Chardonnay Belasy	Alto Adige DOC	Englar Castle	1						1
2019 Pinot Noir Riserva Balthasius	Alto Adige DOC	Englar Castle	1						1
2021 Riesling	Alto Adige Val Venosta DOC	Falkenstein Winery	1						1
2019 Chardonnay Riserva Curlan	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Girlan			1				1
2020 Pinot Noir Riserva Curlan	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Girlan				1			1
2019 Pinot Noir Riserva Curlan	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Girlan					1		1
2019 Pinot Noir Riserva Vigna Ganger	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Girlan			1	1		1	3
2019 Pinot Blanc Riserva Renaissance	Alto Adige DOC	Gump Hof – Markus Prackwieser				1			1
2019 Sauvignon Riserva Renaissance	Alto Adige DOC	Gump Hof – Markus Prackwieser				1			1
2019 Pinot Noir Riserva Renaissance	Alto Adige DOC	Gump Hof – Markus Prackwieser				1			1
2019 Moscato giallo Passito Quintessenz	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Kaltern			1				1
2019 Aichberg	Alto Adige DOC	Kornell Winery	1						1
2020 Sauvignon Oberberg	Alto Adige DOC	Kornell Winery				1			1
2018 Merlot Riserva Vigna Kressfeld	Alto Adige DOC	Kornell Winery				1			1
2012 Pinot Blanc Helios	Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT	Kränzelhof Winery				1			1
2022 Grüner Veltliner	Alto Adige Valle Isarco DOC	Kuenhof, Peter Pliger					1		1
2022 Riesling Kaiton	Alto Adige Valle Isarco DOC	Kuenhof, Peter Pliger					1		1
2020 Chardonnay Riserva Freienfeld	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Kurtatsch	1						1
2015 Merlot-Cabernet Riserva Tres	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Kurtatsch			1	1		1	3
2020 Passito Aruna	Mitterberg IGT	Cantina Kurtatsch			1				1
2021 Sauvignon Lieben Aich	Alto Adige Terlano DOC	Manincor				1	1		2
2019 White wine Le Petit		Manincor				1	1		2

2020 Pinot Noir Mason di Mason	Alto Adige DOC	Manincor					1		1
2020 Castel Campan	Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT	Manincor				1			1
2018 Lagrein Riserva Vigna Klosteranger	Alto Adige DOC	Muri-Gries Wine Estate/ Monastery Cellar				1			1
2022 Pinot Blanc Penon	Alto Adige DOC	Nals Margreid					1		1
2021 Pinot Blanc Sirmian	Alto Adige DOC	Nals Margreid	1						1
2020 Chardonnay Riserva Baron Salvadori	Alto Adige DOC	Nals Margreid					1		1
2020 Chardonnay Nama	Alto Adige DOC	Nals Margreid		1			1		2
2019 Chardonnay Nama	Alto Adige DOC	Nals Margreid			1	1		1	3
2021 Kerner Praepositus	Alto Adige Valle Isarco DOC	Abbazia di Novacella	1						1
2021 Sauvignon Riserva Mathias	Alto Adige DOC	Tenuta Pfitscher					1		1
2019 Pinot Noir Riserva Vigna Das Langefeld	Alto Adige DOC	Tenuta Pfitscher			1	1			2
2020 Pinot Grigio Sanct Valentin	Alto Adige DOC	St. Michael-Eppan Winery	1						1
2018 Appius	Alto Adige DOC	St. Michael-Eppan Winery	1		1	1	1		4
2019 Sauvignon The Wine Collection	Alto Adige DOC	St. Michael-Eppan Winery		1		1			2
2019 Pinot Noir Riserva The Wine Collection	Alto Adige DOC	St. Michael-Eppan Winery		1		1		1	3
2018 Lacus	Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT	Walter Schullian						1	1
2021 Amistar Cuvée Bianco	Vigneti delle Dolomiti IGT	Peter Sölva Winery						1	1
2020 Pinot Blanc Riserva Vorberg	Alto Adige Terlano DOC	Cantina Terlano					1		1
2010 Pinot Blanc Rarity	Alto Adige Terlano DOC	Cantina Terlan	1	1		1	1		4
1991 Pinot Blanc Rarity	Alto Adige Terlano DOC	Cantina Terlano					1		1
1955 Pinot Blanc		Cantina Terlano					1		1
2021 Terlano Riserva Nova Domus	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Terlano					1		1
2020 Terlano Riserva Nova Domus	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Terlano		1		1	1		3
2020 Terlano Primo Grande Cuvée	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Terlano	1	1		1	1	1	5
1983 Terlano	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Terlano					1		1
2021 Sauvignon Quarz	Alto Adige Terlano DOC	Cantina Terlano				1	1		2
2020 Lagrein Riserva Porphy	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Terlano					1		1
2004 Lagrein Riserva Porphy	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Terlan					1		1
2019 Chardonnay Riserva Vigna Au	Alto Adige DOC	Winery Tiefenbrunner/ Schlosskellerei Turmhof				1			1
2019 Chardonnay Riserva Troy	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Tramin	1			1			2
2021 Stoan	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Tramin	1						1
2021 Gewürztraminer Nussbaumer	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Tramin				1			1
2016 Gewürztraminer Vendemmia Tardiva Epokale	Alto Adige DOC	Cantina Tramin			1		1	1	3
2018 Lagrein Riserva Hofacker	Alto Adige DOC	Untermoserhof Estate				1			1
2020 Pinot Noir Ludwig	Alto Adige DOC	Elena Walch	1						1
2018 Pinot Noir Riserva Aton	Alto Adige DOC	Elena Walch				1			1
2022 Lagrein	Alto Adige DOC	Wilhelm Walch 1869	1						1
2018 Lagrein Roblinus De Waldgries	Alto Adige DOC	Ansitz Waldgries Manor Christian Plattner				1			1
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