



2025 NORTH CAROLINA BREWERS CUP COMPETITION

Check below to discover our 36 category winners for the 2025 NC Brewers Cup Competition!
Winners for NC Brewery of the Year and NC New Brewery will be announced at our
Industry Awards Banquet at this year's NC Craft Brewers Conference.

Category Style	Beer Name	Brewery	City
01 British Pale & Bitter Ale			
Gold	Fullsteam Brewery	Cricket Hill	Durham
Silver	Trolley Barn Fermentory	Iron Horse	Charlotte
Bronze	Salt Face Mule Brewing Company	Made For Walkin'	Asheville
02 Scottish & Irish Beer			
Gold	Compass Rose Brewery	Scott's View	Raleigh
Silver	Compass Rose Brewery	Scott's View	Raleigh
Bronze	Neoteric Brewing Company	Dawn of the Red	Huntersville
03 British Porter & Brown Ales			
Gold	Lost Province Brewing Co	Black Cat Porter	Boone
Silver	Cavendish Brewing Company	Grizzly Brown Ale	Gastonia
Bronze	Pig Pounder Brewery	Boar Brown	Greensboro
Honorable Mention	Edit Beer Co.	Gems & Rhinestones	Raleigh
04 American Porter, Amber, & Brown Ales			
Gold	Green Man Brewery	Green Man Porter	Asheville
Silver	Happy Valley Filling Station	Unibrown	Lenoir
Bronze	North South Brewing	Trains of Fayetteville	Fayetteville
Honorable Mention	Eno River Brewing	Might Be Better	Hillsborough
05 Stouts			
Gold	Cabarrus Brewing Company	The Throne	Concord
Silver	Eno River Brewing	Blue Tape Special 2024: Point of Origin	Hillsborough
Bronze	Town Brewing Company	Imperial Stout	Charlotte
06 Strong Ale			
Gold	Olde Hickory Brewery	Forest Hills	Hickory
Silver	Toasty Kettlyst Beer Company	Warrior Knight	Gibsonville
Bronze	Little Brother Brewing	King in the Castle	Greensboro
07 Session IPA			
Gold	HopFly Brewing Company	Beach Beer	Charlotte
Silver	Primal Brewery	Gentle Giant Session IPA	Huntersville
Bronze	Edit Beer Co.	Season 34	Raleigh
Honorable Mention	Lazy Hiker Brewing Co.	Trail Candy Tropical IPA	Franklin
08 American Pale Ale			
Gold	Oklawaha Brewing Company	Dead West	Hendersonville
Silver	Wilmington Brewing Company	Turtle Speed	Wilmington
Bronze	Wilmington Brewing Company	Beach Time	Wilmington
Honorable Mention	Incendiary Brewing Company	Born for Dying	Winston-Salem

09 American-Style IPA

Gold	Compass Rose Brewery	Tidal Break	Raleigh
Silver	Outer Dunes Brewing Company	Lil' Fish	Wilmington
Bronze	Petty Thieves Brewing Co.	Mindweaver	Charlotte

10 Juicy/Hazy Pale Ale

Gold	Edit Beer Co.	Illusion Of Truth	Raleigh
Silver	Gypsy Road Brewing Company	Juice Whirled	Kernersville
Bronze	Seaboard Brewing	Juice Train	Matthews

11 Juicy or Hazy IPA

Gold	Royal Bliss Brewing Co	73&Hazy	Denver
Silver	Leland Brewing Co	Foggy Nights VII	Leland
Bronze	Trailside Brewing Co	Trail Hazer	Hendersonville
Honorable Mention	Seaboard Brewing	Astrotrain v.6	Matthews

12 American-Style Sour Ale

Gold	Hatchet Brewing Company	Merican	Southern Pines
Silver	Diatribes Brewing Company	Vera Sour	Asheville
Bronze	Vaulted Oak Brewing	Rules of Acquisition	Charlotte
Honorable Mention	Pitt Street Brewing Co.	The Way Life Gose	Greenville

13 European Hybrid Styles

Gold	Guidon Brewing Co.	Guidon Kölsch	Hendersonville
Silver	Highland Brewing Company	Daycation Gold	Asheville
Bronze	Lake Norman Brewery	Car Show Cosmo's Kolsch	Denver

14 European Sour Ale

Gold	Ponysaurus Brewing Co.	Gose	Durham
Silver	Divine Barrel Brewing	Largesse	Charlotte
Bronze	Twin Leaf Brewery	Beauty in the Cracks	Asheville

15 European Wheat (and Related) Beer

Gold	Gilde Brewery	Broyhans Bock	Charlotte
Silver	Pig Pounder Brewery	Banana Breeze	Greensboro
Bronze	Pilot Brewing Company	Hazy Skies Hefeweizen	Charlotte
Honorable Mention	The Glass Jug Beer Lab	40 East	Durham

16 Belgian Ales

Gold	Eno River Brewing	Cosmic Bloom	Hillsborough
Silver	Fishtowne Brew House	Blonded by the Light	Beaufort
Bronze	TwoBoros Brewery	Brushy Mountain Blonde Ale	North Wilkesboro
Honorable Mention	Fishtowne Brew House	Cast Net	Beaufort

17 Saison

Gold	Flytrap Brewing	Saison	Wilmington
Silver	Petty Thieves Brewing Co.	All is not lost	Charlotte
Bronze	Americana Beer Company	New Slang Raspberry Saison	Monroe
Honorable Mention	Divine Barrel Brewing	Songs To Fill The Air	Charlotte

18 Belgian Strong Ale / Monastic Ale

Gold	Raleigh Brewing Company	Hell Yes Ma'am	Raleigh
Silver	Twin Leaf Brewery	Luminosity	Asheville
Bronze	Ponysaurus Brewing Co.	Reserve Ale	Durham
Honorable Mention	Hatchet Brewing Company	Death Machine	Southern Pines

19 Pale European & International Lager

Gold	Local Time Brewing	Phuket Sunset Thai Lager	Holly Springs
Silver	Pitt Street Brewing Co.	Pactolus Light Lager	Greenville
Bronze	Tarboro Brewing Company	Sexy Canoe	Tarboro

Honorable Mention	Mad Mole Brewing	Fire in the Mole	Wilmington
20 Amber & Other Pale European Lager			
Gold	Resident Culture Brewing	Festbier	Charlotte
Silver	Mountain Layers Brewing Company	Fontana Export	Bryson City
Bronze	Gaston Brewing Company	Tower Buzz	Fayetteville
Honorable Mention	760 Craft Works	Yodeling Down Lake Starnberg	Huntersville
21 Dark European Lager			
Gold	Triple C Brewing Company	Schwarzbier	Charlotte
Silver	Sneaky Penguin Brewing Company	Midnight Waddle	Raleigh
Bronze	Clouds Brewing	Rain Czech	Raleigh
Honorable Mention	Ghostface Brewing	Duckin' Funkel	Mooreville
22 German-Style Bock			
Gold	Seaboard Brewing	Zuganator	Matthews
Silver	Ghostface Brewing	Doppel Trouble	Mooreville
Bronze	Surf City Brewing Company	Bock Bock Goose	Surf City
23 Smoke Beer			
Gold	Diatribes Brewing Company	Rauchbier	Asheville
Silver	760 Craft Works	Embers and Periscopes	Huntersville
Bronze	bmc brewing	East Meets West Rice lager	Pittsboro
24 International Style Pale Ale & IPA			
Gold	Leland Brewing Co	Yonder	Leland
Silver	Diatribes Brewing Company	New Zealand Pils	Asheville
Bronze	Riverside Rhapsody Beer Company	Drum>Space Galaxy	Asheville
Honorable Mention	Little Brother Brewing	Pyrle IPA	Greensboro
25 North American-Style Lager			
Gold	Lenny Boy Brewing Co.	Uno Mas	Charlotte
Silver	Little Brother Brewing	Small Fires	Greensboro
Bronze	Brunswick Beer and Cider	Carolina Heritage	Leland
26 Pilsner-Style & Hoppy Lager			
Gold	Little Brother Brewing	Heavy Hands	Greensboro
Silver	Trophy Brewing Company - Maywood	Foam Party	Raleigh
Bronze	Oaklyn Springs Brewery	Wandering Waves	Fuquay-Varina
27 North American-Style Amber & Dark Lager			
Gold	Seaboard Brewing	Seaboard Oktoberfest	Matthews
Silver	Brunswick Beer and Cider	She Sells Seashells by the Sea Schwarz	Leland
Bronze	Neoteric Brewing Company	Last Day at the Office	Huntersville
Honorable Mention	Guidon Brewing Co.	Bandera Mexican Amber Lager	Hendersonville
28 Other American Pale Lagers & Ales			
Gold	Cabarrus Brewing Company	Cotton Blonde	Concord
Silver	Little Brother Brewing	User Friendly	Greensboro
Bronze	King Canary Brewing Company	Little Wing	Mooreville
29 Fruit Beer			
Gold	Ghost Harbor Brewing Company	Limelight	Elizabeth City
Silver	Cavendish Brewing Company	Orange Hefe-Wit	Gastonia
Bronze	NoDa Brewing Co.	Big SLURP	Charlotte
Honorable Mention	Lower Left Brewing Company	Ultimo Hombre	Charlotte
30 Sour Fruit or Field Beer			
Gold	Eno River Brewing	Second Pick	Hillsborough
Silver	Hatchet Brewing Company	Manguava	Southern Pines
Bronze	Tobacco Wood Brewing Company	Subject to Change (Blueberry Cheesecake Sour)	Oxford

31 Field & Spiced Beers

Gold	Lower Left Brewing Company	Heat Seeking Pickle	Charlotte
Silver	Fullsteam Brewery	Southern Basil	Durham
Bronze	Hoptown Brewing Company	Vanilla Cream Java Dream	Mooresville

32 Brett, Mixed Culture, & Wild Ales

Gold	Lenny Boy Brewing Co.	Raspberry Kaleidoscope	Charlotte
Silver	Cellarest Beer Project	Sisu 2025	Asheville
Bronze	Cellarest Beer Project	Henotic 2025	Asheville

33 Wood and Barrel-Aged Beer

Gold	Divine Barrel Brewing	Time Is Only Part Of The Equation	Charlotte
Silver	Resident Culture Brewing	BBA Twice as Lonely with Macadamia & Vanilla	Charlotte
Bronze	DSSOLVR	Society #8	Asheville

34 Specialty Beer

Gold	Clouds Brewing	Baklava Blond	Raleigh
Silver	North South Brewing	Belgian Moonlight	Fayetteville
Bronze	Primal Brewery	Hops Mirage NA IPA	Huntersville
Honorable Mention	Trolley Barn Fermentory	Flashbacks	Charlotte

35 Historic Beer

Gold	Mountain Layers Brewing Company	Smoke Over Lublin	Bryson City
Silver	Gaston Brewing Company	You make me wanna Schopes	Fayetteville
Bronze	Little Brother Brewing	Pleasing Gene	Greensboro

36 NC Home-Grown

Gold	Black Mountain Brewing	Sakura	Black Mountain
Silver	Atomic Clock Brewing Company	Time's Arrow	Durham
Bronze	Atomic Clock Brewing Company	Grandfather Paradox	Durham
Honorable Mention	Town Brewing Company	Spratt's Lager	Charlotte