

HERNÖ GIN CLAIMS TOP TITLE GIN PRODUCER OF THE YEAR AT ISC FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR

Hernö Gin has once again been recognized as the world's leading gin producer, receiving the prestigious title Gin Producer of the Year at the International Spirits Challenge (ISC) 2025. This marks the second year in a row that Hernö Gin receives this top award, which celebrates consistent excellence across an entire portfolio of gins.

The Gin Producer of the Year are determined by a weighted points system, evaluating the overall performance of all entries from a single producer within each category. Hernö has won a staggering total of 60 medals in the ISC Tasting Awards since the very first in 2014.

In addition to this achievement, Hernö's collaborative creation with acclaimed chef Björn Frantzén, *Hernö én Gin*, was awarded a Trophy, the highest distinction given to an individual product following its earlier Double Gold presented earlier this year.

- To be named Gin Producer of the Year for the second year in a row is truly remarkable. I am floored and utterly out of both voice and words. We are equally proud of the Trophy awarded to Hernö én Gin, a collaboration that pushed creative boundaries and resulted in something truly special. These recognitions inspire us to continue exploring and redefining the world of gin, says Jon Hillgren, founder and Master Distiller at Hernö Gin.

Celebrating its 30th anniversary, the International Spirits Challenge is one of the world's most respected competitions for spirits. Thousands of entries from over 70 countries are judged by an expert panel consisting of some of the most influential names in the industry. They award medals across five levels - Bronze, Silver, Gold, Double Gold, and the highest accolade, the Trophy. The competition also recognizes individual achievements, including Gin Producer of the Year.

Jon Hillgren attended the ISC's annual awards dinner to receive both the Gin Producer of the Year title and the Trophy for *Hernö én Gin*, celebrating yet another milestone for Hernö Gin – the world's most awarded gin producer.

Key awards for Hernö Gin at ISC

(One of the six international competitions Hernö participates in.)

- 2 Gold Medals (2017, 2023)
- 2 Double Gold Medals (2020, 2025)
- 1 Trophy (2025)
- 2 Gin Producer of the Year (2024, 2025)

About Hernö Gin

Hernö Gin is Sweden's first gin distillery, crafting the world's most award-winning gin. Our gin is currently distributed to 30 countries around the world. We believe in the idea of drinking better but less often and strive towards bringing premium gin culture into every home.

As an important part of this, we want to establish ourselves as one of the world's top gin destinations. Visit us at our distillery in Dala outside Härnösand, at Hernö Gin Bar in Stockholm and Gothenburg (opening December 2025) or at Hernö Gin Hotel in central Härnösand to explore, taste and experience Hernö Gin.

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