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WINNERS ANNOUNCED**

MACAU: Tonight, Friday October 17th, 2025, the highly anticipated results of the **2025 China's Wine List of the Year Awards – Mainland China and Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan** were announced to an audience of China's leading sommeliers, VIPs, Award Partners and Supporters, Wine Judges and expert commentators from around the world, plus government representatives and media, at a magnificent Awards Presentation Ceremony in the Macau Tower Ballroom, Macau.

And the winners are

- **China's Wine List of the Year 2025 – Mainland China**

Blackswan – Beijing

AND

As custodians of this winning list, the following Awards were also announced –

China's 'Outstanding Sommelier' of the Year 2025 – Mainland China

Tyler Chen

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2025 saw another record year for the Awards and the big winners with **China's Wine List of the Year Awards** are **China's Hospitality and Tourism Industries** and the nations **ever more discerning consumers** everywhere who benefit from the significant gains that are being achieved each year with the standard of China's wine lists.

Each year the standard of the wine lists that showcase these industries, and are available to those consumers, continues to grow with **the highest percentage ever of 2 and 3 Glass Wine Lists across China achieved in 2025**. This represents exciting growth for the Industry in China, both in quantity and quality.

This outstanding result further demonstrates the growing standard of China's best Wine Lists today.



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2025 also saw more records broken, with the **highest number of Glass winning venues ever** again this year from **Southern China** and **Macau**. In addition, **the record number of independent restaurants** entering the Awards in 2023 is being maintained with strong numbers achieved in 2025.

With categories entered, the most popular category entered in **2025** is for the second year running **China's Best Food and Wine Matching Wine List** followed by **China's Best Wine by the Glass List**. **China's Best Listing of Chinese Wines** also achieved another a record year – wonderful news for China's growing domestic wine industry, as did **China's Best Chinese Restaurant Wine List**.

Finally, it is very encouraging to hear of the positive impact on respective businesses that success in the Awards is bringing to the Awards Glass winners, those venues and sommeliers deserving of recognition and reward; especially given the outstanding levels they are achieving.

Quote from Co-Chairman of Judges Peter Forrestal - I commented last year that part of the value of Awards such as China's Wine List of the Year is the spotlight that it shines on China's hospitality industry, Yet, it does a great deal more than this. Because the developments in hospitality coincide with substantial improvements in the quality of Chinese wines, it has additional benefits with increased sales of the domestic product via thoughtfully constructed wine lists. This might not make much dent in the impact on French wines in China, but it's an important first step. Certainly, the best wine lists have been quick to take up this challenge. Frankly, the best Chinese wines are delicious. The spread of the Awards into the provinces is also cause for delight. Especially as this has not taken place against the backdrop of falling off in support for the Awards and hospitality in the major population centres.

The judges have noted many outstanding performances with Dirk Chen following up his win in Best Wine List - Hong Kong, Macau & Taiwan in 2024 with Somm. Twelve months later, he won the same award with Amber. Impressive. Similarly, Tyler Chen was third in Mainland China in 2024 with Blackswan before winning that award twelve months later.

For the judges, this is one of the highlights of our year: seeing talented and dedicated professionals plying their trade to an adoring public. It doesn't get better than that.

AWARD WINNERS & FINALISTS – 2025

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CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR – 2025 FINALISTS

- Avant
- Tivano
- Sui Tang Li
- Palance Garden
- Jade Dragon
- Din Yue Ji Pin

CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR – HALL OF FAME - 2025

- PAST MAIN AWARD WINNERS –

- Xin Rong Ji (Xinyuan South Road) – Beijing (2024)
- SOMM – Hong Kong (2024)
- Frasca, Shanghai (2023)
- Grill 58, Macau (2023)
- The Manor, Macau (2022)
- 1515 West Chophouse, Shanghai (2021)
- Ensue, Shenzhen (2020)
- Café Gray Deluxe – The Middle House, Shanghai (2019)
- SW Steakhouse – Wynn Palace, Macau (2019)
- House of Roosevelt, Shanghai (2017)
- Hakkasan, Shanghai (2016)
- Aux Beaux Arts – Macau (2016)
- L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon – Hong Kong (2014)
- Robuchon au Dôme, Grand Lisboa Hotel – Macau (2013)

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- PAST INDIVIDUAL AWARD WINNERS –

- Paul Lo (2019)
- LU Yang MS (2017/2018)



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- THREE TIME SPECIALIST AWARD WINNERS –

- Tivano (Chengdu) Best Wine List Western China (2017, 2018, 2019)
- Din Yue Ji Pin (Xitun) Best Wine List Taiwan (2021, 2022, 2023)

CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR – HALL OF FAME - 2025

- THREE TIME CATEGORY AWARD WINNERS –

- Hakkasan (Shanghai) Best Aperitif List (2016, 2017, 2022)
- Hakkasan (Shanghai) Best Digestif List (2015, 2021, 2022)
- Jing Bar (Chengdu) Best Aperitif List (2019, 2020, 2021)
- Robuchon au Dome (Macau) Best Luxury Cellar (2020, 2021, 2022)

CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS – 2025

BEST WINE LIST - EASTERN CHINA

- Sui Tang Li (Shanghai)

BEST WINE LIST - NORTHERN CHINA

- Blackswan (Beijing)

BEST WINE LIST - SOUTHERN CHINA

- Avant (Shenzhen)

BEST WINE LIST - WESTERN CHINA

- Jing Dining Room (Chengdu)

BEST WINE LIST - HONG KONG SRA

- Amber (Hong Kong)

BEST WINE LIST - MACAU SRA

- Palace Garden (Macau)

CHINA'S BEST INDEPENDENT RESTAURANT WINE LIST

- Blackswan (Beijing)

CHINA'S BEST HOTEL RESTAURANT WINE LIST

- Amber (Hong Kong)

CHINA'S BEST CHINESE RESTAURANT WINE LIST

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- Roosevelt Club (Shanghai)

CHINA'S BEST WINE BAR WINE LIST

- Terroir et Somm au Bouchon (Shanghai)

CHINA'S BEST NEW WINE LIST - opened in last year

- Vivant (Shanghai)

CHINA'S BEST SMALL/MEDIUM WINE LIST – less than 100 wines

- Ming Jia Shenian (Qingdao)

CHINA'S BEST WINES BY THE GLASS LIST

- SOMM (Hong Kong)

CHINA'S BEST FOOD & WINE MATCHING LIST

- Vivant (Shanghai)

CHINA'S BEST CHAMPAGNE LIST

- Amber (Shanghai)

CHINA'S BEST LISTING OF CHINESE WINES

- Yong Foo Elite (Shanghai)

CHINA'S BEST LISTING OF CHINESE SPIRITS

- China Lodge (Shenzhen)

CHINA'S BEST LISTING OF FRENCH WINES

- Amber (Shanghai)

CHINA'S BEST SAKE LIST

- Mizumi (Cotai)

CHINA'S BEST APERITIF LIST

- Koan (Shenzhen)

CHINA'S BEST DIGESTIF LIST

- L'Atelier de Joel Robuchon (Hong Kong)

CHINA'S BEST BEER LIST

- Long Bar PuLi (Shanghai)
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- L'Atelier, Hong Kong (Hong Kong)

CHINA'S BEST HOTEL GROUP WINE LIST

- Marriott

CHINA'S BEST 'Core 'Wines by the Glass' LIST in a HOTEL GROUP

- Marriott

CHINA'S BEST RESTAURANT CHAIN WINE LIST

- Holiland
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CHINA'S WINNING WINE LISTS – 2025

Mainland China

Blackswan
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Blackswan – Beijing –

The Major Award winner from Mainland China in 2025 is – Blackswan

As befitting a restaurant that is a journey into the magic of French cuisine, the fabulous Blackswan wine list is an evocative and engrossing affair heavy with magic. The selection by the glass alone is world-class, with the ability to drink icons like Coche-Dury or Romanée-Conti as a single glass, a true indulgence. Importantly, the Blackswan selection isn't bound solely to French wines, either, covering top-drawer New World wines to pair with the exceptional Châteauneuf-du-Pape horizontals. What a fantastic list!

Hong Kong – Macau – Taiwan

Amber
– Hong Kong



Amber – Hong Kong –

The Major Award winner from Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan in 2025 is – Amber

At Amber, it's like stepping into a wine museum: one can only quietly observe, in awe, the wonders of an amazingly well-put-together collection of fine pieces of art, in this case, wine. The list opens with an extensive collection of Dom Perignon labels, followed by a diverse range of other renowned labels and new players from Champagne. It concludes with a concise list of the best sparkling wines from Europe and the UK. And this is only the first part of the list. While France is the primary focus, with a deep exploration of most of its regions across many vintages (verticals and back vintages are a common theme in this list), there is a plethora of other wine regions, from all over the world, explored and showcased with the utmost dedication. Additional information next to



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old wines, such as "ex-domaine", "top shoulders", "soiled label", makes you feel that the money you're spending on this wine list is a good investment and that the sommeliers looking after such an impressive collection of wines are serious professionals. It's undoubtedly a hedonistic wine list, showing the deep knowledge and passion of the sommeliers. The fortified and sweet wine selections are impressive, too, as is the Cognac. But there is also an original aspect to it, including a natural wine section and an investigation of less explored wine regions such as Croatia.