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World Championship Cheese Contest 2024: Award-winning Appenzeller® cheesemakers

The renowned World Championship Cheese Contest took place in Wisconsin, USA, from March 5 to 7, 2024. For three days, 53 experts evaluated over 3,300 cheese varieties, butters, yogurts and other dairy products submitted in 142 categories. Among the winners was Appenzeller® cheese, which impressed the judges with its creamy texture and unmistakably tangy flavour.

The following Appenzeller® cheesemakers won in the categories listed below:

The first three places in **category 51 (Appenzeller®, young)** went to the following cheesemakers for their Appenzeller® Silver Label cheese:

1st place with 99.455 points: Marcel Gabriel, Käserei Schollrüti 2nd place with 99.45 points: Philipp Messmer, Käserei Messmer 3rd place with 99.445 points: Christian Fankhauser and Thomas Graf, Käserei Grub Riemen

The first three places in **category 52 (Appenzeller®**, **aged)** went to the following cheesemakers for their Appenzeller® Black Label cheese:

1st place with 99.225 points: Johannes Eberle, Käserei Muolen 2nd place with 98.975 points: Urs Buchegger, Appenzeller Schaukäserei 3rd place with 98.925 points: Marcel Gabriel, Käserei Schollrüti

Among the top 20 in the overall ranking

Marcel Gabriel from the Schollrüti cheese dairy in Oberbüren can be proud: The winners of the 142 categories were subsequently judged again by a super jury, with his Appenzeller® Silver Label being the only Appenzeller® cheese to make it into the top 20 overall in the World Championship Cheese Contest. Congratulations!

The Appenzeller® cheese consortium congratulates all the winners on this outstanding achievement and is extremely proud to have such excellent and committed cheesemakers in its ranks. The award-winning cheesemakers can justifiably claim to be among the best in the world.



View images: <u>link to pictures of the winners</u>

To view the other participants, click on the following link:

Results - World Championship Cheese Contest (worldchampioncheese.org)

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