



# **The Gin Cooperative Awards 2024 Media Pack**

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## Introduction

Awards programmes should add value to the brands who enter and provide a platform for celebrating and showcasing the entries, connecting consumers and industry, and creating unique opportunities to highlight the winners. Also, most spirits are judged by judges working in the spirits industry or broader supply chain.

Of course, this brings expertise, experience, and insight, providing priceless value to any judging panel. But for us, it also raised several questions. How is gin consumed? What are the demographics for gin drinkers? What would we like to see if we were to do an awards programme for Scottish Gin? What makes an award-winning Scottish Gin? And most importantly, what are the elements of gin that are often, if not always, overlooked?

With several well-established gin and spirits awards and new awards programmes appearing all the time, we wanted to create an awards programme for Scottish Gin that looked at the qualities of the Scottish Gin category from a different angle. The Gin Cooperative Awards recognise the spirit in the bottle and the time and investment that goes into how Scottish Gin is presented, looking closer at how gin is enjoyed and purchased.

Most gin is drunk with a mixer or as part of a cocktail. For many gin drinkers, the idea of drinking gin neat isn't how they would normally drink and experience gin. And yet most spirits competitions look only at the spirit neat. The Gin Cooperative Awards will look at three criteria. How does it taste neat? How does it stand up in a gin and tonic? How does the bottle look?

Our awards programme is about fairness and transparency, including our judging panel. The Gin Cooperative Awards judging panel is made up of judges from three key sectors - Industry, Community, Consumer; to provide a cross-section of the people who work with gin, write about gin and drink gin.

We've invested our time and resources to create an awards programme and judging panel that we believe can help provide the producers and brands who enter with further valuable feedback about the liquid in the bottle but also the packaging, scored by a judging panel that will provide a real-world set of results.

The Gin Cooperative Awards programme delivers value for money for the producers and brands taking part. An awards programme created to help showcase Scottish Gin with a considered, unique approach to how gin is judged based on how it is consumed. An awards programme created by a business established to help further and promote the global reputation of Scottish Gin.

**Natalie and Martin Reid, The Gin Cooperative**

# Our Judging Process

The top three highest scores in each taste category will be awarded Gold, Silver and Bronze awards.

**All entries will be automatically entered into the additional award categories of:**

- Scottish Gin of the Year
- Scottish Gin and Tonic of the Year
- New Scottish Gin of the Year (released in the last 12 months)
- Scottish Gin Packaging of the Year
- Industry Judges Award
- Community Judges Award
- Consumer Judges Award

### TASTE SCORE

- Every entry will be judged blind, other than an indicator of category and approximate ABV on the judges scoresheet.
- Every entry will be judged by a minimum of 9 separate judges - 3 industry judges, 3 consumer judges, 3 community judges.
- Entries will be scored neat judged on appearance, nose, palate, mouthfeel and finish along with a Gin and Tonic score, judged on overall qualities as a gin and tonic.

### PACKAGING SCORE

- Packaging will be scored based on the bottle, design and shelf appeal.

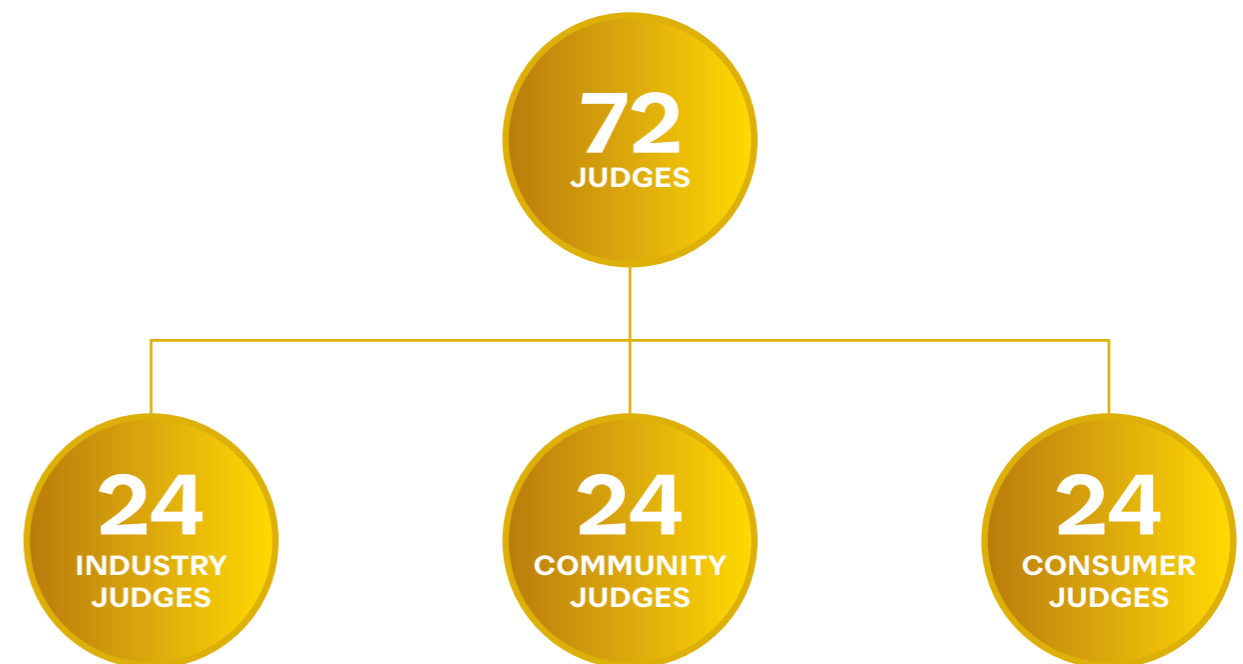


\*The only awards which will deviate from these score elements are Scottish Gin Packaging, which is awarded on the packaging score only and Scottish Gin & Tonic, which is awarded on the gin and tonic score only.

# Our Judging Panel

We've carefully hand picked a diverse and exciting range of judges that make up our judging panel which is balanced with the same number of Industry, Community and Consumer judges.

To ensure complete impartiality, no one from The Gin Cooperative will be involved with the judging process. Also no Scottish distillers or gin brand owners will be involved with the judging. A selection of judges from across the industry, community and consumer categories hold some formal qualifications including WSET.



**Industry judges** come from various backgrounds, including on-trade, off-trade, hospitality, food and tourism. Industry judges will all have a level of insight and understanding of the production of gin along with an understanding of the spirits supply chain. Some will be more focused on flavour with some more focused on marketing, but all will provide valuable industry feedback.

**Community judges** come from the online communities for gin, food, travel and hospitality, including reviewers, bloggers, content creators and home mixologists. Community judges are all passionate individuals who are active online and use their blogs, websites and social media channels to showcase and talk about gin and their areas of expertise.

**Consumer judges** cover a wide range of gin drinkers, from gin collectors and home mixologists who share their love of gin through their personal social media channels to gin drinkers who have recently discovered gin. Consumer judges have been carefully selected based on data we have collected through our content and website, covering a variety of gin consumers.

# Award Categories

## TASTE AWARD CATEGORIES



**LONDON DRY SCOTTISH GIN**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**DISTILLED SCOTTISH GIN**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**OLD TOM SCOTTISH GIN**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**CASK AGED SCOTTISH GIN**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**NAVY STRENGTH SCOTTISH GIN**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**FLAVOURED SCOTTISH GIN**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**BATHTUB SCOTTISH GIN**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze

## ALL ENTRIES WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY ENTERED INTO THE FOLLOWING AWARD CATEGORIES



**SCOTTISH GIN OF THE YEAR**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**SCOTTISH GIN & TONIC**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**NEW SCOTTISH GIN\***  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**SCOTTISH GIN PACKAGING**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**INDUSTRY JUDGES AWARD**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**COMMUNITY JUDGES AWARD**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze



**CONSUMER JUDGES AWARD**  
Gold, Silver, Bronze

\*Applicable for Scottish Gins released in the last 12 months.

# Special Award Category

As part of The Gin Cooperative Awards 2023 we introduced a new Outstanding Contribution to Scottish Gin Award. The Outstanding Contribution to Scottish Gin Award is the only award The Gin Cooperative has a vote on to decide who the winner is. We've spent the best part of six years contributing to the Scottish Gin category, driven by our passion for the category and the many unique aspects of the industry that make it special.

We've met countless people, from distillers and brand ambassadors to professors, tour guides, mixologists, and everything else in between. Our industry insight has provided us with a wealth of knowledge and led to many conversations about which businesses, organisations and individuals have positively contributed to the growth, success and promotion of the Scottish Gin category. The Outstanding Contribution to Scottish Gin Award, awarded by The Gin Cooperative each year, recognises the importance and value these businesses, organisations, and individuals contribute to the Scottish Gin category.



# Award Details & Criteria

## LONDON DRY SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

London Dry Scottish Gin Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, in the London Dry category.



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## DISTILLED SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

Distilled Scottish Gin Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, in the Distilled category.



This award is sponsored and supported by:



## OLD TOM SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

Old Tom Scottish Gin Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, in the Old Tom category.



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## BATHTUB SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

Bathtub Scottish Gin Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, in the Bathtub category.



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## CASK AGED SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

Cask Aged Scottish Gin Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, in the Cask Aged category.



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## FLAVOURED SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

Flavoured Scottish Gin Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, in the Flavoured category.



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# Award Details & Criteria

## NAVY STRENGTH SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

Navy Strength Scottish Gin Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, in the Navy Strength category.



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## SCOTTISH GIN AND TONIC AWARD 2024

Scottish Gin and Tonic Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste as a gin and tonic.



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## SCOTTISH GIN OF THE YEAR AWARD 2024

Scottish Gin of the Year Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, across all categories.



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## SCOTTISH GIN PACKAGING AWARD 2024

Scottish Gin Packaging Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for packaging.



This award is sponsored and supported by:



## NEW SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

New Scottish Gin Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, released in the last 12 months.



This award is sponsored and supported by:



## OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

The Outstanding Contribution to Scottish Gin Award is given to a brand, business or individual who has had a positive impact on the Scottish Gin category.

The winner of this award is selected by The Gin Cooperative and is based on our own industry knowledge and insight. There is only one award presented in this category.



This award is sponsored and supported by:



# Award Details & Criteria

## INDUSTRY JUDGES AWARD 2024

Industry Judges Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, scored by the Industry Judging panel.



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## COMMUNITY JUDGES AWARD 2024

Community Judges Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, scored by the Community Judging panel.



This award is sponsored and supported by:

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## CONSUMER JUDGES AWARD 2024

Consumer Judges Award is given to the three Scottish Gins which scored the highest number of points for taste neat, taste as a gin and tonic and packaging, scored by the Consumer Judging panel.



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**SCOTTISH GIN**.com  
SCOTTISH GIN MERCHANTS

# Awards Entry & Cost

All entries must meet The Gin Cooperative's definition of a Scottish Gin and be submitted via the online awards entry form, which you'll find on the awards section of The Gin Cooperative website.

- Entry is via the online awards form only - [www.thegincooperative.com/awards/enter](http://www.thegincooperative.com/awards/enter)
- Provide details about your entry and select the award category you wish to enter your Scottish Gin under.
- If you wish to enter more than one entry simply select how many Scottish Gins you want to enter from the drop down menu on the form.
- You will be asked to provide a 70cl labelled bottle for judging. If your entry comes in a 50cl bottle you will be asked to provide two 50cl labelled bottles for judging.
- Your bottle will be photographed (where required), including any special details, and will be used as part of the packaging pack that our judges will review and score. Preferably your bottle will be free from other awards stickers.
- We will not ask you for commercially sensitive information such as revenue turnover, production volume etc.

1 ENTRY  
**£75.00**  
TOTAL (EX VAT)

2 - 4 ENTRIES  
**£125.00**  
TOTAL (EX VAT)

5 - 8 ENTRIES  
**£200.00**  
TOTAL (EX VAT)

AWARDS ENTRY VIA ONLINE



COMPLETE ENTRY FORM & PAYMENT



SUBMIT SAMPLE(S)

# Benefits

Entering the Gin Cooperative Awards 2024 provides Scottish Gin producers and brands several benefits including:

### ENTRIES

- Simple online entry process with no disclosure of revenue or overly complicated application form.
- Cost effective and competitive price structure in relation to other spirits/gin competitions, with sliding scale depending on number of entries.
- Impartial, real-world evaluation of spirit and packaging from industry judges, community judges and consumer judges.
- All finalists are automatically entered into one or more award categories, where eligible, including Scottish Gin of The Year, Scottish Gin and Tonic, Scottish Gin Packaging, New Scottish Gin, Industry Judges Award, Community Judges Award, and Consumer Judges Award.
- Anonymised judges scores and feedback provided to entrants for their entry for the the qualities that matter commercially, such as gin neat, including appearance, nose, mouthfeel, palate and finish, a score for how your gin works in a gin and tonic, along with valuable feedback about your packaging from industry, community and consumer judges.

### FINALISTS

- All finalists that meet or exceed the finalists scoring threshold across the competition are provided with a finalists badge, which can be used for marketing and promotional activities.
- All finalists will be featured and promoted in a dedicated editorial feature on The Gin Cooperative website and promoted on The Gin Cooperative social media channels.
- All finalists who meet the specific score criteria will be featured in a finalist press release.

### WINNERS

- All winners will be featured in a winner's press release which is sent out to The Gin Cooperative database of publications and journalists.
- Promotion across The Gin Cooperative website and social media channels.
- Winners from each of the award categories will be provided with an awards certificate.
- All winners provided with digital winners graphics and marketing materials for promotional use.
- Business development opportunities through our ecommerce platform ScottishGin.com

### ADDITIONAL

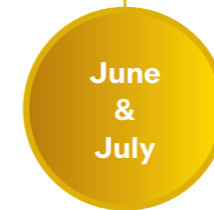
- A range of winners stickers will be available to order POA with full details to follow once winners announced.



# Awards 2024 Timeline



- Awards officially launched and open for entries
- Final judging panel confirmed
- Various PR and promotional activities



- Entries close mid-July
- All entries processed, gins received and due diligence completed
- Samples and Judges Guide issued to judges



- Judges Digital Scoresheets completed and returned late August
- Scores reviewed and calculated



- Finalists announced
- Winners announced
- Winners campaigns launched and promoted



## Testimonials

*“These results are beyond anything we could have hoped for when we entered the awards. We’ve been making Achroous for eight years, so to not only pick up a stack of gold and silver medals, but also to be named as the best gin in Scotland, is a real testament to the quality and longevity of our recipe. The consumer award is especially satisfying - at the end of the day, our main goal is to make a spirit that gin drinkers will love. This is a wonderful validation of everything we aim for as a business.”*

**James Porteous, Founder of Electric Spirit Co.**

*“The revival of the Old Tom category is a joy for the gin aficionado. We are absolutely thrilled to have achieved a Gold in the inaugural TGC Awards, judged by both the best of the trade and most enthusiastic of consumers.”*

**Simon Fairclough, Persie Distillery**

*“Alicia, Georgina and I are chuffed to bits to win our first gold medal from The Gin Cooperative. It means a lot more to us to win an award when the competition is properly judged by a judging panel that includes consumers, industry and community, people who are passionate about craft Scottish Gin.”*

**Claire Fletcher, Co-Founder of Lussa Drinks Company**

*“We were super excited to take part in The Gin Cooperative Awards 2023 as we really respect the effort Natalie and Martin put into making this a quality competition through the robust tasting criteria and comprehensive and varied judging panel. We are delighted to scoop 5 medals and would like to congratulate the other winners and thank the judges and The Gin Cooperative for promoting the Scottish gin category.”*

**Jonny Ingledeew, Co-Founder of North Uist Distillery**

*“We were so thrilled when we discovered our Aatta Gin had picked up a Gold award for Best New Scottish Gin and two Bronze awards for Scottish Gin of the Year and London Dry Scottish Gin. As a small family business based in Orkney, we put so much time and effort into creating Scottish Gin that captures some of our island’s heritage and storytelling and we’re delighted that the judges rated our Aatta Gin so highly.”*

**Erin Watt, Orkney Gin Company**

*“Our Farmer Strength Drovers Gin picked up a Bronze in the Navy Strength Scottish Gin category, an award category which is always highly sought after. I’m elated that the Farmer Strength Drovers Gin was recognised with a Bronze in such a tough category.”*

**Jenny McKerr, Founder of The Wee Farm Distillery**

*“We can’t believe we managed to win four awards! The inaugural The Gin Cooperative Awards have been fantastic and we’ve loved the way that they have been run and obviously their judges have great taste! It is great for us as a new gin company to be recognised by such a diverse range of people. It is truly a massive result for us.”*

**Michael Stewart, Founder of Foghouse Spirits**

## Sponsors and Supporters

### SCOTTISH GIN PACKAGING AWARD 2024

Sponsored by Rankin Brothers & Sons Corks, Capsules, Closures



### NEW SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

Sponsored by Vetroelite - Global glass packaging providers



### SCOTTISH GIN AND TONIC AWARD 2024

Sponsored by Walter Gregor's - Premium Scottish Tonic



### DISTILLED SCOTTISH GIN AWARD 2024

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### CONSUMER JUDGES AWARD 2024

Sponsored by ScottishGin.com - Scottish Gin Merchants



## What is a Scottish Gin?

Scotland has a rich history of distilling whisky and producing world-class food, which gives great global value and appeal to products crafted in the country.

The term 'Scottish Gin' carries weight and expectation that one is buying a high-quality product, crafted with care, skill and heart, made in Scotland. However, this term has no legal definition, nor does it have any geographical protection. Therefore, anyone can make a gin anywhere in the world and claim it is a Scottish Gin. This is harmful to the businesses and brands that actually produce gin in Scotland, devalues the term Scottish Gin and often can mislead consumers.

To address this issue, The Gin Cooperative was established in December 2017 to promote transparency and honesty in Scottish Gin's production and marketing. While there is no legal definition of what makes a gin Scottish, The Gin Cooperative uses some simple principles to determine what makes a gin a Scottish Gin.

- The gin must be distilled, rectified, or cold-compounded in Scotland using a neutral spirit.
- The business must be based in Scotland.
- The business owners should believe in and show on-going promotion of their gin and brand as being part of the Scottish Gin category.

These principles are widely agreed upon by most, if not all of Scotland's gin producers and brand owners. All Scottish Gins that meet The Gin Cooperative's definition of Scottish Gin are eligible for entry. The Gin Cooperative reserves the right to reject entries that do not meet this specific criteria.

## About Us

Some of the key objectives of The Gin Cooperative include:

- Position Scottish Gin as a premium spirit created with care, skill and passion in Scotland that should be explored, discovered, experienced and enjoyed.
- Educate the consumer and trade about the people, the places and products that make up the Scottish Gin category.
- Create and craft high quality, original editorial features, photography and content that captures the true story of Scottish Gin.
- Provide a consistent and positive voice for the Scottish Gin industry.
- Promote Scottish Gin sensibly and encourage responsible alcohol consumption.
- Develop opportunities for collaboration across the gin community, on-trade, off-trade that can connect brands, businesses and consumers.
- Continue to invest time and resources exploring and developing tools to help educate and promote Scottish Gin to consumers and trade.
- Provide the go-to resource for all things Scottish Gin.

The Gin Cooperative was established in 2017 as a membership based business by long-time gin drinkers Natalie and Martin Reid to help educate and inspire the consumer and trade to discover and explore Scottish Gin.

In 2018 we launched International Scottish Gin Day (ISGD), a global celebration of all things Scottish Gin with the first official ISGD taking place in 2019. International Scottish Gin Day continues to grow year on year bringing together Scottish Gin producers and brands, hospitality, retail, the gin and spirits community and consumers, with a focus on celebrating and showcasing Scottish Gin.

In 2020 we launched our first online shop for Scottish Gin which evolved and transitioned in 2023 to ScottishGin.com

In 2022 we removed our membership fee making The Gin Cooperative a media platform for the whole of the Scottish Gin sector, allowing us to grow our reach further whilst continuing to showcase Scottish Gin and remain an impartial voice for the industry.

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# Entry Terms & Conditions

## 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 Scottish Gin - a gin that is distilled, rectified or cold compounded in Scotland by a business based in Scotland that believes in the term Scottish Gin and champions and promotes the term Scottish Gin through their marketing and social media activities. Gins that use a pre-made base gin that is produced outside of Scotland before further production in Scotland are not eligible for entry.
- 1.2 Entrant - the gin producer/business owner/brand owner.
- 1.3 Entry or Entries - the gins entered into The Gin Cooperative Awards.
- 1.4 Sample or Samples - the physical gin samples submitted to The Gin Cooperative Awards for judging.
- 1.5 Organiser - The Gin Cooperative Ltd, SC585241, VAT No. 400 2185 59.
- 1.6 Awards/Competition - The Gin Cooperative Awards.
- 1.7 T&Cs - Terms and Conditions

## 2. GENERAL

- 2.1 Section headings are included for structure only and have no legal effect.
- 2.2 The Organiser's decision is final on all matters.
- 2.3 The Organiser reserves the right to amend all dates and deadlines without prior notice.
- 2.4 The Organiser reserves the right to cancel or amend the Awards and these T&Cs at any time without prior notice.
- 2.5 In the event an Entrant does not agree to be bound by any amended T&Cs, they must inform the organiser they wish to withdraw from the Competition.
- 2.6 All information submitted will be handled with confidentiality under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018.

## 3. PRODUCT ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1 Entries must be rectified, distilled or cold compounded in Scotland using a grain neutral spirit.
- 3.2 Entries must be made by a business registered in Scotland.
- 3.3 Entrants must believe in and champion the term Scottish Gin.
- 3.4 Entries must be available to buy by the general public.

- 3.5 Entries must be branded and marketed as gin meeting the relevant EU regulations related to gin at the time of entering the Competition.

## 4. ADDITIVES

- 4.1 Entries cannot contain any illegal additives or additives that are banned in the UK including but not limited to Sudan dyes and Azo dyes. You can find a full list of approved food additives and the parameters of use in retained EU Regulation 1333/2008.
- 4.2 Entries cannot contain edible glitter, glitter or glitter substitute including glitter powders, glitter residues, glitter dust, glitter shapes, glitter emulsifiers, flavourings including any of the aforementioned that have been marked safe for use in cooking or safe for human consumption.
- 4.3 Entries cannot contain full-spectrum CBD, broad-spectrum CBD, CBD isolate or another format that contains CBD including but not limited to powders, flakes, dust, granules, extracts, oils, residues, emulsifiers, flavourings including any of the aforementioned that have been marked safe for use in cooking or safe for human consumption.
- 4.4 Entries cannot contain edible metallic flakes for example 'gold flakes' or any other similar additives similar in nature.

## 5. ENTRY

- 5.1 Entry to the Competition is via the online form only - [www.thegincooperative.com/awards/enter](http://www.thegincooperative.com/awards/enter)
- 5.2 Cost for 1 Entry is £75.00 (ex VAT), Cost for 2 - 4 Entries is £125.00 (ex VAT), Cost for 5 - 8 Entries is £200.00 (ex VAT)
- 5.3 Entry fee is non refundable.
- 5.4 Entries must be submitted on or before the Competition Entry deadline. The Organiser reserves the right to disqualify all late Entries received after the Competition Entry deadline and associated Entry fees are non refundable.
- 5.5 The Organiser reserves the right to move Entries into an alternative category.
- 5.6 By completing and submitting the Entry form, Entrants (including employees of the Entrant or acting as an agent on behalf of the Entrant), are bound to these T&Cs.
- 5.7 By completing and submitting the Entry form, Entrants (including employees of the Entrant or acting as an agent on behalf of the Entrant), accept that all the information provided at the time of Entry is factually correct.

- 5.8 Any information deemed misleading or found to be untrue may result in disqualification from the Competition or having Awards revoked at a later date.

- 5.9 In the event of disqualification, the Organiser will retain all Entry fees and samples.

## 6. SAMPLES

- 6.1 The Sample and its contents must pertain to the Entry made exactly.
- 6.2 Entrants are required to provide Samples in the form of 1x 70cl bottle or 2x 50cl bottle per Entry.
- 6.3 All Entries will be judged on packaging and therefore all samples must be labelled and finished with all relevant neck tags and adornments as they would be sold commercially.
- 6.4 Samples, where required, will be photographed and used as part of the judging process for the packaging element of the Awards.
- 6.5 Entrant is responsible for packaging and posting of Samples to Organiser including associated insurance to cover any loss, damage or theft of Samples in transit, where appropriate.
- 6.6 Samples must be with the Organiser within 7 days of the Competition Entry deadline.
- 6.7 Late Samples will not be eligible for Entry and will be retained by the Organiser.
- 6.8 The Organiser will not be held responsible for loss, damage or theft of Samples in transit from the Entrant to the Organiser.
- 6.9 The Entrant is responsible for all applicable taxes for the Sample including duty.
- 6.10 All Samples must have a duty stamp.
- 6.11 All Samples must be sent to: The Gin Cooperative, Mayfield, Oyne, Aberdeenshire, AB52 6QT.

## 7. JUDGING

- 7.1 Judges will be provided with a digital scoresheet for evaluation of allocated Entries.
- 7.2 The Organisers reserve the right to remove judges from the Awards process without prior notice at any stage of the Competition.
- 7.3 Digital scoresheet data may be shared with academic third parties for research purposes only.

- 7.4 Digital scoresheet data and feedback may be shared with the Entrants, with the judges name(s) removed, for their Entries only.
- 7.5 Judges may be informed of the associated Entry brand and gin, once the winners have been announced to the general public, for their judged Samples only.
- 7.6 The Organiser reserves the right to omit feedback to the Entrant if it is deemed derogatory or not of a constructive nature.
- 7.7 It a judges sole responsibility to inform the Organiser if they have any food or drink related allergies that might be triggered by any of the samples they are judging.

## 8. RESULTS

- 8.1 The Organisers decisions will be final and will not be open to challenge.
- 8.2 Entrants agree they will only use the graphical assets provided by the Organiser, for example winners badges or finalists badges, on the Entries entered and no other products.

## 9. LIABILITY

- 9.1 By entering the Competition all Entrants agree to take part in any publicity or promotion of the Competition reasonably requested by the Organiser.
- 9.2 The Organiser will not be liable to Entrants for any consequential losses (i.e. loss of revenue, loss of business, loss of goodwill, loss or damage to data or information) arising out of, or in connection with, the provision of any aspect of the Awards including but not limited to the judging process, communication of finalists or winners or any other Awards related processes or communications.
- 9.3 The Organiser will not be liable to Judges for any consequential losses (i.e. loss of revenue, loss of business, loss of goodwill, loss or damage to data or information, ill health or allergic reaction to samples) arising out of, or in connection with, the provision of any aspect of the Awards including but not limited to the judging process, communication of finalists or winners or any other Awards related processes or communications.

## 10. GOVERNING LAW

- 10.1 These terms will be governed by Scottish law and all parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Scottish Courts.

# Previous Winners



**The  
Gin  
Cooperative**



International<sup>®</sup>  
**Scottish Gin**  
Day



**SCOTTISH GIN**.com

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