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GOLD at the Riverside International Wine Competition!

Kasota, MN— Chankaska Creek Ranch & Winery’s premium white blend, Petite Colline, was awarded a gold medal at the prestigious Riverside International Wine Competition in Riverside, California, earlier this month.

Winemaker Drew Horton comments, “The Petite Colline has always been one of my favorites; I felt it was a very special wine from the start, especially for one of my very first efforts here.” Horton adds, “this award reflects my belief that our “Petite Colline” Vineyard is truly special and can produce world-class wines.”

For 30 years, the Riverside International Wine Competition has judged the very best wines from around the world. The 31st annual competition, judged over three days by a professional panel of 48 judges at South Coast Resort and Spa in California, evaluated more than 1,950 wines. A gold medal at Riverside is truly something to rave about.

The Petite Colline is a blend of four of the winery’s estate grown Minnesota white grape varieties, including La Crescent, Prairie Star, Brianna and Edelweiss. The wine is partially barrel-fermented, which gives it a certain richness and adds to its great complexity.

Chankaska also received silver medals for their “Kasota Rose” and their Marquette. The awards are a great sign for the winery that is set to open its doors on May 19.

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