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2018 Annual Japan Sake Awards Announced

Fukushima sake becomes the first prefecture in Japan to be awarded

“Best Sake in Japan” for the 6th consecutive year!

~Fukushima Sake Awarded 19 Gold Prizes~

On May 17th, 2018 the results of the Annual Japan Sake Awards was announced. Out of 850 entries from across the country, 31 Fukushima sake received awards, with 19 of those earning a Gold Prize. This marks the sixth consecutive year Fukushima Prefecture has held the title of “Best Sake in Japan” by earning the most Gold Prizes of any prefecture (and the 8th time to hold the title overall). This is the first time in the century-old contest this has happened. .

This year was the 106th Annual Japan Sake Awards contest (the first was in 1911). Each sake brewery may only submit one sake for evaluation.

1 Fukushima Prefecture Gold Prize Winning Brands (2017 Brewing Year)

Brand	Brewery	Location
Kinsuisho	Kinsuisho Brewery	Fukushima city
Hirotogawa	Matsuzaki Brewery	Tenei village
Yukikomachi	Watanabe Brewery	Koriyama city
Miharugoma	Sato Brewery	Miharu town
Toyokuni	Toyokuni Brewery	Furudono town
Ninkiichi	Ninki Brewery	Nihonmatsu city
Okunomatsu	Okunomatsu Brewery	Nihonmatsu city
Aizuchujo	Tsurunoe Brewery	Aizuwakamatsu city
Nagurayama	Nagurayama Brewery	Aizuwakamatsu city
Aizumiyaizumi	Miyaizumi Meijo Brewery	Aizuwakamatsu city
Yauemon	Yamatogawa Brewery	Kitakata city
Sasamasamune	Sasamasamune Brewery	Kitakata city
Kokken	Kokken Brewery	Minamiaizu town
Tajima	Aizu Brewery	Minamiaizu town
Eishiro	Eisen Brewery	Bandai town
Bandaiho	Shirai Brewery	Aizumisato town
Gakujuurou	Toyokuni Brewery	Aizubange town
Isshoseishun	Akebono Brewery	Aizubange town
Matabei	Shike Brewery	Iwaki city

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2 Fukushima Prefecture Gold Prize Winning History

Brewing Year	No. of Gold Prize Brands	National Ranking	Remarks (No. of Gold Prizes)
2017	19	1 st	tied for 1 st Hyogo (19), 3 rd Niigata (14)
2016	22	1 st	2 nd Miyagi (20), 3 rd Akita (16)
2015	18	1 st	2 nd Yamagata ・ Hyogo (17)
2014	24	1 st	2 nd Yamagata ・ Niigata (15)
2013	17	1 st	tied for 1 st Yamagata (17), 3 rd Miyagi (16)
2012	26	1 st	2 nd Hyogo (17), 3 rd Akita ・ Niigata (15)
2011	22	2 nd	1 st Niigata (24), 3 rd Hyogo (20)
2010	19	2 nd	1 st Niigata (23), tied for 2 nd Hyogo (19)
2009	20	1 st	2 nd Niigata (18), 3 rd Akita ・ Yamagata ・ Nagano (17)
2008	18	2 nd	1 st Niigata (22), tied for 2 nd Yamagata (18)
2007	17	2 nd	1 st Niigata (25), 3 rd Akita ・ Yamagata (16)
2006	21	2 nd	1 st Niigata (24), 3 rd Yamagata (19)
2005	23	1 st	2 nd Yamagata (18), 3 rd Akita ・ Niigata (17)

*Fukushima Prefecture's first time to be Number One in Japan was the 2005 brewing year

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