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Gnarly Barley Awarded Silver Medal at Great American Beer Festival for Korova Milk Porter

Korova Milk Porter recognized at world's largest professional beer competition

Hammond, Louisiana | October 16, 2020 - Gnarly Barley Brewing was awarded a silver medal at the 2020 Great American Beer Festival (GABF) competition, presented by the Brewers Association. The best beers in 91 beer categories covering 170 different beer styles (including all subcategories) were awarded gold, silver, and bronze medals during a virtual ceremony Friday, October 16, hosted on The Brewing Network.

Gnarly Barley was recognized in the Sweet Stout or Cream Stout beer-style category for its Korova Milk Porter, a Baltic Oatmeal Milk Porter that was the very first inception of founder Zac Caramonta and serves as an anchor for the core lineup of beers. This 6.2% Porter is packed with sweet coffee and chocolate notes and a silky smooth finish. The robust and bold journey of the malt profile is balanced with the addition of oatmeal and lactose for body complexity. Traditional to the style of a Baltic Porter, it is brewed with lager yeast and fermented warm for additional layers of flavor. It offers a superior level of drinkability for a high gravity porter, resulting in a unique and dynamic brew that appeals to all levels of beer drinkers.

“It is such an honor to be recognized for the very beer that has anchored this brewery as it was the original recipe produced in our home brewing days,” said Zac Caramonta, President and Co-Founder of Gnarly Barley.



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Judges for the 34th edition of the celebrated competition evaluated 8,806 entries from 1,720 breweries from all 50 states plus Washington, D.C. Socially distanced judging took place in 35 sessions over 18 days with strict safety measures in place.

“This year’s GABF competition may have looked a little different, but the beers entered into the competition were as impressive and innovative as ever,” said Chris Swersey, competition manager, Great American Beer Festival. “This has arguably been one of the most challenging years breweries have ever faced, so we hope these awards serve as a symbol not only of brewing excellence but also the resiliency of the craft brewing community as a whole.”

For more information on the GABF competition, including a complete 2020 winners list and photos, visit GreatAmericanBeerFestival.com.



About Gnarly Barley

Originating from the home of Zac and Cari Caramonta, Gnarly Barley Brewing got its start in a crowded garage, amongst the presence of two fat cats and a halfpipe. After being exposed to great craft beer, Zac began homebrewing initially as an investigation into the brewing process. Soon after, he sought to create brews as exceptional as those that had originally inspired him. Gnarly Barley’s homebrewed beer debuted at the New Orleans on Tap Beer Festival in 2011 with the Korova Milk Porter and the Hoppopotamus IPA. Gaining positive feedback through local beer festivals and finding many comrades in the local brewing community, Zac and Cari set their sights on opening a craft brewery, and in 2014 it came to fruition in a 14,000 sq ft facility in Hammond, Louisiana.

Gnarly Barley was the recipient of a 2017 Louisiana Lantern Award for demonstrating excellence in manufacturing and outstanding service to their community. The Brewers Association named Gnarly Barley among the top 50 fastest growing craft breweries in 2017 and 2018. Current distribution in South Louisiana includes the Northshore, Greater New Orleans area, Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Houma, Lake Charles, and Alexandria.