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**Baltimore Whiskey Company Wins Several Gold Medals at International Competitions**

*Newly released Epoch Rye Whiskey receives uncommon double gold honor*

MAY 10, 2018, BALTIMORE, MD - The Baltimore Whiskey Company today announced that their newly released Epoch Rye Whiskey has been awarded the double gold medal by the San Francisco World Spirits Competition and the gold medal by the New York International Spirits Competition in the Rye Whiskey category. Double gold medals are only awarded to entrants that received a unanimous gold medal rating from all of the San Francisco competition's judges.

The San Francisco World Spirits Competition and New York International Spirits Competition recognize exceptional products in the spirits industry, and draw entries from the biggest brands in the world. The San Francisco double gold award is especially noteworthy as it's uncommon for a young spirits company like Baltimore Whiskey Company to receive the honor, particularly for a non-sourced spirit distilled and aged in-house. The award comes just as Baltimore Whiskey Company prepares to move to their new state-of-the-art facility in the Union Collective, expected to open this June, and scale up their production.

"Epoch Rye is the light at the end of a five year tunnel for us, and we couldn't be happier with our product", said Max Lents, co-owner of the Baltimore Whiskey Company. "It's amazing to see some of the most accomplished spirit tasters list it among the best Rye Whiskeys in the world."

Baltimore Whiskey Company was awarded several medals for their other products at the New York competition, including gold medals for Shot Tower Gin and their coffee flavored amaro from their Baltamaro line, and were dubbed "Maryland Distillery of the Year". Epoch Rye Whiskey saw its initial launch in March 2018, and will see regular releases moving forward. Epoch Rye is a sweet mash, open fermented, double copper pot-distilled straight Rye Whiskey. For more information, visit [www.thebaltimorewhiskeycompany.com](http://www.thebaltimorewhiskeycompany.com).

**ABOUT BALTIMORE WHISKEY COMPANY**

The Baltimore Whiskey Company began operation in November 2015. In addition to their Epoch Rye Whiskey, they also distill the award-winning Shot Tower Gin, 1904 Liqueur, a mezcal inspired Apple Brandy line, and their Baltamaro line of amaro liqueurs. They are Baltimore's oldest Rye Whiskey distillery. For more information visit, <http://www.thebaltimorewhiskeycompany.com>.

**ABOUT SAN FRANCISCO WORLD SPIRITS COMPETITION**

The San Francisco World Spirits Competition, the largest, most influential international spirits competition in America, is judged by a prestigious panel of nationally recognized spirits experts. Judging is based on a

blind, consensual procedure, ensuring competitive integrity as it remains the nation's most respected spirits competition. For more information about the competition visit [www.sfspiritscomp.com](http://www.sfspiritscomp.com).

#### **ABOUT NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL SPIRITS COMPETITION**

The New York International Spirits Competition was the first competition to be found in the International Beverage Competition Series in 2010. After its success, they were asked to replicate the competition in multiple countries, and have since expanded to include wine and beer competitions as well. It is a trade-only blind judging panel.