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[pFriem Family Brewers](#) was named Mid-Sized Brewing Company of the Year and was awarded a Gold Medal for Druif in the Mixed-Culture Brett category and Silver for its Pilsner in the German Style Pilsener category.

Presented by the Brewers Association, GABF® is the largest commercial beer competition in the world and recognizes the most outstanding beers produced in the United States. Winners were announced September 22nd at the Great American Beer Festival® awards ceremony held at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver, Colorado.



The Happy GABF Award-Winning pFriem Brewing Team

Based in Hood River, Oregon, the six-year-old brewery is best known for artisanal beers influenced by the great brewers of Belgium while staying true to homegrown roots in the Pacific Northwest.

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Gold Medal-winning Druif incorporates Riesling grapes from Brooks Estate Vineyard with pFriem's Lambic-inspired base. This produces a beer with inviting aromas of fresh bread and berries. Its notes of delicate rose petals, pear and green apple complement a dry, sparkly finish.

Silver Medal-winning Pilsner brings forth an aroma of fresh grass and flowers and a touch of honey. It has a crisp,

snappy flavor featuring floral hops, with 4.9% ABV and an IBU of 35.

"We feel incredibly humbled and honored to receive top honors at this year's Great American Beer Festival!" said Josh Pfriem, Brewmaster/Co-Founder of pFriem Family Brewers. "The American craft beer scene continues to expand and improve every year, making the competition even more challenging. With so many entries and esteemed breweries in this year's competition, we are delighted to win Gold and Silver! Being named Mid-Sized Brewery of the Year represents validation of our approach, dedication and the hard work that goes in to create and brew beers that beer lovers enjoy and that we are proud to make. We are grateful for the continued support

of our pFriem fans who support us in following our dreams!"

The 2018 GABF competition winners were selected by an international panel of 293 expert judges from 8,496 entries, received from 2,404 U.S. breweries, plus 101 Pro-Am and 49 Collaboration entries.

"The 32nd edition of the GABF competition yielded a remarkable turnout of the country's most exemplary beers," said Chris Swersey, competition manager, Great American Beer Festival. "I'm continuously impressed by contenders' talent and passion and would like to extend congratulations to this year's winners for their excellence in brewing."

For more GABF competition information, including the 2018 winners list and photos, visit [GreatAmericanBeerFestival.com](http://GreatAmericanBeerFestival.com).

About pFriem Family Brewers  
pFriem Family Brewers (pronounced "freem") is a Northwest and Belgian inspired 15-barrel brewery and tasting room in Hood River, OR. Founded in 2012 by Josh Pfriem, Ken Whiteman and Rudy Kellner, pFriem has experienced incredible growth in its short six years and has earned prestigious awards, including multiple medals in national and international brewing competitions. Best known for artisanal beers influenced by the great brewers of Belgium while staying true to homegrown roots in the Pacific Northwest, pFriem craft brews are unmistakably unique in both flavor and balance. Visit pFriem online at [www.pfriembeer.com](http://www.pfriembeer.com), or onsite daily at 707 Portway Ave., Suite 101, Hood River, OR 97031.  
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