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Madrona Distillery's Garden Club Gin Named America's Greatest London Dry Gin at the 2026 American Distilling Institute International Spirits Competition

The award, presented by The Gin Guild, adds to a long list of top honors for gins produced by Madrona Distillery of Orcas Island, Washington

EASTSOUND, Orcas Island, WA, May 20, **2026** – Garden Club Gin has been named America's Greatest London Dry Gin, presented by The Gin Guild, at the 2026 American Distilling Institute International Spirits Competition. In addition to this high honor, Garden Club also earned a Gold Medal, Best of Category, and the "Perfect Pour – America's Best Martini" award.

"When we set out to create the Garden Club sensory profile we focused on adding subtle elements of the Orcas Island terroir while maintaining the balance and elegant flavor integration of a traditional London Dry Gin," said Tom Allan, co-founder and distiller at Madrona Distillery. "After several months of experimentation, we settled on a bouquet of vapor-infused floral botanicals including rose petals and lavender from our garden on the shores of Eastsound. The vapor infusion keeps the floral elements light and in balance with the juniper, citrus peel and spice that go into the still wash."

The Competition

The ADI's International Spirits Competition is recognized as one of the most stringently and professionally judged events in the spirits business. The head judge for the gin category in 2026 was Dr. Anne Brock, who served as Master Distiller at Bombay Sapphire and earlier at Bermondsey Distillery in London. Dr. Brock earned a doctorate in Chemistry at Oxford University and has held the honor of Grand Rectifier of The Gin Guild.

About Madrona Distillery

Madrona Distillery was founded in 2022 by Tom and Anne Allan to produce traditional gin with global ambitions, but local character. Commercial production began in February 2024 with their Dry Gin, which soon won a Gold Medal at the San Francisco World Spirits Competition. Tom serves as distiller and was trained at the University of California, Davis and Heriot-Watt University in Scotland. The distillery moved to beautiful Orcas Island in the San Juan archipelago of Washington in early 2026. The picturesque Eastsound location serves as the production facility, public tasting room, and event center.

Additional Awards

These latest honors, including ADI recognition of Dry Gin as "Perfect Pour – America's Best Negroni" and silver medals for Dry Gin and Navy Strength American Gin, follow a long list of top awards for Madrona gins.

- Platinum Awards
 - Dry Gin – SIP International Spirits Awards 2025 – Los Angeles

- Double Gold Awards
 - Garden Club Gin – John Barleycorn Awards 2025 – Austin
 - Dry Gin - John Barleycorn Awards 2024 – Austin
 - Barrel Reserve Gin – SIP International Spirits Awards 2025 – Los Angeles
- Gold Awards
 - Navy Strength American Gin – World Gin Awards 2026 – Norwich
 - Navy Strength American Gin – Global Gin Masters 2025 – London
 - Garden Club Gin – World Gin Awards 2025 – Norwich
 - Garden Club Gin – New York World Spirits Competition 2025 – New York
 - Dry Gin – Gin of the Year 2024 – London
 - Garden Club Gin – Gin of the Year 2024 – London
 - Dry Gin – Sip NW Magazine Best of the Northwest 2024 - Seattle
 - Dry Gin – SIP International Spirits Awards 2024 – Los Angeles
 - Dry Gin – San Francisco World Spirits Competition 2024 – San Francisco

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