**Lactalis American Group Wins Seven Medals at The Guild of Fine Foods World Cheese Awards 2022**

*Galbani® cheeses produced at Nampa, Idaho plant receive silver and bronze recognition*

**BUFFALO, N.Y. (Dec. 15, 2022) –**[Lactalis American Group](http://www.lactalisamericangroup.com), a division of the world’s leading dairy company, was recognized for its cheesemaking expertise at [The Guild of Fine Foods World Cheese Awards](https://gff.co.uk/awards/world-cheese-awards/), winning a total of seven medals in the prestigious, global cheese-only event.

Held last month in Wales, U.K., this year’s World Cheese Awards was the 34th edition and saw more entries than ever before with a record-breaking 4,434 cheeses submitted from 43 countries and 900 companies from around the globe. Cheesemakers, cheese mongers, buyers, chefs, retailers and writers scored cheeses on aspects such as the appearance of the rind and paste, as well as the cheese’s aroma, body and texture, with the majority of points awarded for flavor and mouthfeel.

“As our Galbani brand celebrates its 140th anniversary this year, it was an honor to have seven of our products recognized among the top cheeses internationally,” said Jean-Luc Bruandet, president and chief executive officer, Lactalis American Group. “It’s also a testament to our dedicated employees who are committed to producing nutritious and great-tasting cheese every day.”

All seven winning Galbani brand cheeses were produced at Lactalis’ Nampa, Idaho plant. Below is the complete list of awards received by Lactalis at this year’s World Cheese Awards:

* Silver: Galbani 6 oz. Fresh Mozzarella Ball
* Bronze: Galbani 12 oz., Marinade Cup
* Bronze: Galbani Whole Milk 12 oz. String Cheese
* Bronze: Galbani Mascarpone
* Bronze: Galbani Whole Milk Premio Shredded Cheese
* Bronze: Galbani 80/10/10 Specialty Blend Shred
* Bronze: Galbani 50/50 Blend Shredded Cheese

Lactalis American Group cheeses have won a total of 58 medals at four prestigious cheese competitions held both in the U.S. and abroad to date this year ([Wisconsin Cheese Makers World Championship Cheese Contest,](https://worldchampioncheese.org/results/) [American Cheese Society Judging & Competition,](https://www.cheesesociety.org/acs-competition-2022/) [World Dairy Expo Championship](https://www.wdpa.net/wde-championship-dairy-product-contest) and [The Guild of Fine Foods World Cheese Awards](https://gff.co.uk/awards/world-cheese-awards/)).

**About Lactalis in the United States**

Lactalis in the United States is committed to enriching lives by producing nutritious and great tasting dairy products. The company offers a strong, well-regarded portfolio of dairy products in the United States including [Galbani](https://galbanicheese.com/)® Italian cheeses, [Président®](https://presidentcheese.com/) specialty cheeses and gourmet butters, Kraft® brands in natural, grated and international cheeses, [Breakstones®](https://www.breakstones.com/) cottage cheese, ricotta and sour cream, [Cracker Barrel](https://www.crackerbarrelcheese.com/)® cheese, [Black Diamond](https://www.lactalisculinary.com/brands/black-diamond/)® cheddar cheese, Parmalat® milk, [siggi’s®](https://siggis.com/) and [Stonyfield Organic®](https://www.stonyfield.com/) yogurt brands. In the United States the company has approximately 3,700 employees, is present in eight states with 11 manufacturing facilities and corporate offices located in New York City and Buffalo, NY, Chicago, IL, Londonderry, NH and San Fernando, CA. Lactalis in the United States is part of Lactalis Group, the world’s leading dairy company, a French family business founded in 1933 in Laval, France. For more information, visit <https://lactalisamericangroup.com/>, [www.lactalisheritagedairy.com](http://www.lactalisheritagedairy.com/), [www.stonyfield.com](http://www.stonyfield.com/), [www.siggis.com](http://www.siggis.com/) and [www.karouncheese.com](http://www.karouncheese.com/). Follow Lactalis USA on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/lactalisusa/) and like us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/LactalisUSA/).

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