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Drakes La Gelateria Autentica Scooped up Top Honors at South Australian Dairy Awards

Drakes proudly announces it's outstanding success at the 2024 South Australian Dairy Awards Gala Dinner, held at Adelaide Oval on Friday 2nd August. Drakes La Gelateria gelato secured multiple awards, including Judges Choice, Most Outstanding, Champion Frozen Dairy, making it the first gelato offered by a South Australian supermarket to achieve such prestigious recognition.

Presented by the Dairy Industry Association of Australia and Real Dairy Australia, this year's South Australian Dairy Awards acknowledged excellence, quality and innovation across more than 30 competition classes, including cheese, yoghurt, fresh and frozen dairy, attracting entrants from all over South Australia.

La Gelateria Autentica offers authentic Italian gelato flavours, made fresh in-store at Drakes Fulham Gardens, using dairy from local South Australian producers.

The following awards were presented to Drakes La Gelateria Autentica:

The Real Dairy Australia Medallion Class 29 – Top Gold	La Gelateria Autentica Vanilla Gelato
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The Real Dairy Australia Medallion Class 31 – Top Gold	La Gelateria Autentica Pistachio Gelato
The Real Dairy Australia Medallion Class 31 – Gold	La Gelateria Autentica Hazelnut Gelato
The Real Dairy Australia Medallion Class 32 – Gold	La Gelateria Autentica Pistachio Gelato
The Real Dairy Australia Medallion Class 33 – Top Gold	La Gelateria Autentica Choc Hazelnut Gelato
The Real Dairy Australia Medallion Class 33 – Gold	La Gelateria Autentica Choc Hazelnut Gelato
The Real Dairy Australia Medallion Class 34 – Gold	La Gelateria Autentica Biscoff Gelato
The Real Dairy Australia Medallion Class 34 – Silver	La Gelateria Autentica Choc Hazelnut Gelato
Champion Frozen Dairy	La Gelateria Autentica Pistachio Gelato
Most Outstanding Bovine Dairy Exhibit	La Gelateria Autentica Pistachio Gelato
The Chief Judge Trophy	La Gelateria Autentica Pistachio Gelato

"What an honour to receive such recognition while being amongst some of the best gelato producers in the state, we're proud to offer our customers a premium selection of locally made, award-winning gelato", said Kalli Parpottas, SA Bakery Operations Manager.

Building on their success with multiple gold awards, Drakes is excited to advance to the Australian Grand Dairy Awards competition, to showcase their award-winning gelato and strive for additional recognition nationally.

Drakes La Gelateria award-winning gelato is available in 750ml take-home tubs in the freezer aisle at all South Australian stores excluding minis, or you can visit their in-store Gelato Bar at Drakes Fulham Gardens.

View official photos here

About Drakes

In 1974 Roger Drake purchased his first supermarket, a three-laned store named Jack & Jill's Foodland which employed only four staff.

Today, Drakes Supermarkets is the largest independent grocery retailer in Australia and specialises in supermarket retailing. Operating 67 stores across South Australia and Queensland, the company now has an annual turnover well in excess of $1 billion and employs over 6,000 staff nationally.

The company's strength lies in operating on the principles of a family business and supporting local manufacturers and suppliers. Drakes Supermarkets has kept its focus on the important aspects of the business. THE CUSTOMER. This is the company's competitive edge, along with its family values and Australian heritage.

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