

CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE

Hershey Champions 2019 – The Elegance at Hershey surprises everyone with their best concours yet

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Best of Show winner was awarded to this sensational 1933 Isotta-Fraschini Tipo 8A Sports Tourer by Castagna owned by Stephen Plaster. Photography by the author.

You would think that a concours with only 75 automobiles wouldn't be worth attending, but if you roamed the manicured show field at the Hershey Hotel this past Sunday during The Elegance at Hershey Concours then you would have quickly discovered just how wrong that assumption was. Each and every one of those 75 cars was a spectacular representative of a specific era and category the likes of which have rarely ever been assembled before.

Now in its ninth year, The Elegance at Hershey has earned the distinction of being one of the world's top concours. With its setting, arrangement of automobiles, and focus on design and style, it's a throwback to the way concours were originally held during the late 1920s through to the '50s. As its French name implies, a concours d'elegance is a "competition of elegance" whereby a select grouping of the very best automobiles are judged on their style, design, and excellence.

Choosing the very best of those 75 automobiles was an immensely difficult task, but in the end, and by a fairly narrow margin, Best of Show, known here as the Governor's Cup, was awarded to a 1933 Isotta-Fraschini Tipo 8A. With its spectacular sports touring coachwork crafted by Carrozzeria Castagna of Milano, Italy; its owner Stephen Plaster from Evergreen Historic Automobiles in Lebanon, Missouri, was immensely proud to have been awarded top honors.



The American Spirit Award, for the Best American car of the 1920s, went to this striking 1921 Kissel 6-45, owned by Andrew and Tanya Heller from Florida.