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Rondo wins two WorldStar Packaging Awards 2025
Further international recognition for the packaging specialist

This year, Rondo Ganahl AG has once again won two prestigious WorldStar Packaging Awards. The "Rosé DAC Assortment Packaging" impressed the jury in the Alcoholic Beverages category, while the "feey Advent Calendar" was honored in the Gift Packaging category. The awards were presented at a festive gala on May 30, 2025, during the international IPACK-IMA trade show in Milan.

The WorldStar Packaging Award is considered the most prestigious prize in the packaging industry and is often referred to as the "Oscars of Packaging." This year's competition saw a record 550 entries from 40 countries. Given this exceptional number of submissions, it is all the more gratifying that both of Rondo's Austrian sites received one of these coveted awards. "The WorldStar Packaging Award recognizes pioneering packaging concepts on a global scale – a true benchmark of excellence in our industry. These latest awards are a powerful testament to the outstanding development expertise of our teams in Frastanz and St. Ruprecht," said Hubert Marte, Chairman of the Board of Rondo Ganahl AG, in celebration of the honors.

A sustainable Advent calendar on every level

The feey plant Advent calendar combines sustainable contents with an eco-friendly packaging concept. The outer packaging is made of corrugated board, while the inner packaging uses a moulded pulp insert – a product from the newest business division of the packaging specialist based in Frastanz. The team was especially thrilled to receive the 2025 WorldStar Packaging Award in the Gift Packaging category, as it marks the first award for a complete solution combining corrugated board and moulded pulp by Rondo.

Moulded pulp components are an environmentally friendly alternative to single-use foam or plastic inserts. This Advent calendar offers ample space for the products, provides optimal protection for the enclosed plants, and ensures they receive sufficient light and moisture thanks



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to strategically placed cut-outs. Severin Candrian, co-founder of feey, is equally enthusiastic about both the packaging solution and the award: "Working with Rondo on the plant Advent calendar was a true team effort from start to finish – solution-oriented, fast, and focused on quality and design. We're absolutely delighted that our calendar has received a WorldStar Packaging Award. It really shows what's possible when everyone pulls together. Huge thanks to the entire Rondo team for making it happen – and for staying flexible!"

Award-winning wine packaging – continuing a proud tradition

The eight-bottle assortment box "The Origin of Rosé", developed by Rondo St. Ruprecht in collaboration with Rosalia DAC winemakers, impressed the jury of the 2025 WorldStar Packaging Awards in the Alcoholic Beverages category. The packaging consists of an outer shell and an interior with partitioned compartments that securely hold and protect the bottles. What makes it truly unique is not only the horizontal layout of the bottles but also the fact that the packaging design requires no adhesive at all.

This award carries a particularly meaningful – almost historic – significance: Back in 2003, Rondo received its very first WorldStar Packaging Award, also for a wine packaging solution developed in collaboration with a Rosalia DAC winemaker. Which makes it all the more rewarding to see Rondo carrying on its tradition of award-winning wine packaging.

About the World Packaging Organisation

The World Packaging Organisation (WPO) is a non-profit, international association serving the packaging industry. The WPO supports projects and initiatives aligned with its mission: "Better quality of life, through better packaging, for more people." In this spirit, the WPO promotes the advancement of packaging technology, science, and engineering, as well as international trade. www.worldpackaging.org and www.worldstar.org



About Rondo

Rondo Ganahl AG, headquartered in Frastanz (Vorarlberg, Austria), specializes in the production of custom outer packaging made from corrugated board, tailor-made moulded pulp inner packaging, and corrugated case material, as well as waste paper processing. This modern, family-owned industrial company has roots that date back to 1797. Rondo currently employs over 1,800 people across multiple locations in Austria (Vorarlberg, Styria, and Tyrol) and Romania (Apahida/Cluj, Târgoviște, and Sibiu), and at one plant each in Germany and Hungary. The company promotes the responsible use of resources and has established a closed recycling loop within the corporate group.

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Caption: (20250530_Rondo_WorldStarPackaging Award_Candrian, Schwendinger, Jakeli left to right)

Severin Candrian (Co-founder, Feey GmbH), Christof Schwendinger (Sales, Rondo Frastanz), and Sven Jakelj (CEO, Feey GmbH) celebrated the international award for the jointly developed gift packaging (left to right).



Caption: (20250530_Rondo_WorldStarPackaging Award_Dobida, Glieder, Sikora left to right) Representing the entire Rondo St. Ruprecht team, Philipp Dobida (Sales), Georg Glieder (Head of Development), and Johannes Sikora attended the award ceremony in Milan (left to right).



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Caption: (20250530_Rondo_WorldStarPackaging Award_feey Advent Calendar and 20250530 Rondo WorldStarPackaging Award feey Advent Calendar copyright I.schedl)

The WorldStar Packaging Award for the feey Advent calendar is the first award for Rondo's newest business division: outer packaging made of corrugated board, inner packaging made of custom-moulded pulp.

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Caption: (20250530_Rondo_WorldStarPackaging Award_Rosé DAC Assortment Packaging_copyright l.schedl)

The horizontal wine packaging by Rondo St. Ruprecht received the 2025 WorldStar Packaging Award in the Alcoholic Beverages category.

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