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Hawkshead Relish Finalists in the Food & Drink Federation (FDF) Awards.

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Hawkshead Relish have been named as finalists in two categories of these prestigious awards run by the Food and Drink Federation (FDF), the body which represents the UK food and drink manufacturing industry.

Growth Business in Northern England and **Exporting Company**will see this Lake District based artisan producer up against some household names in brands at the finals gala dinner on 7th September 2015 at The Brewery, London.

'Reaching the finals in these national industry awards is a huge achievement in itself, given that these awards epitomise the UK's food manufacturing both large & small. It also highlights that despite the size and type of operation, we are all part of the overall benefit to the economy, being £12.8bn in exports.' commented Maria Whitehead (co-owner & director).

The Food and Drink Federation (FDF) is the voice of the UK food and drink industry, the largest manufacturing sector in the country.

Members account for 15.7% of the total manufacturing sector by turnover and employ around 400,000 people in the UK across 6,360 businesses, an incredibly diverse sector, encompassing global brands and thriving small businesses.

Members operate in an appropriately regulated marketplace to maximise their competitiveness.

With the FDF communicating the industry's values and concerns to government, regulators, consumers and the media, working in partnership with key players in the food chain to ensure British food is safe and that consumers can have trust in it.

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History and ethos of the business.

The Hawkshead Relish Company are a renowned artisan producer of award winning preserves ranging from jam to chutney, mustard to mayonnaise, sauces to savoury jellies.

Based in the heart of the English Lake District, the distinctive range boasts the finest locally sourced ingredients, handmade without any artificial colourings, flavourings or preservatives. All are free from Gluten and Nuts as well as suitable for vegetarians.

Small considered batches are cooked up in open pans by a dedicated and passionate team whose pursuit of excellence is testimony to these unique speciality preserves.

Hawkshead Relish has become synonymous with the art of culinary excellence supplying retail, gift and food service. Holding over 50 'Great Taste' Awards and 'Speciality Producer' from the Guild of Fine Food, the distinctive range has a discerning following from celebrity chefs to Royalty.

With over 100 innovative products the range promises to inspire culinary creativity and add regional originality to all global cuisine.

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