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JOHNSTONS OF ELGIN WINS TOP ACCOLADE AT MADE IN SCOTLAND AWARDS

Cashmere brand Johnstons of Elgin scooped two honours, including the coveted top prize, at the second annual Made In Scotland Awards, hosted at the Glasgow Science Centre earlier this week.

The brand, which celebrates its 220th anniversary later this year, was honoured with the Manufacturer of the Year award, seeing off competition from the likes of European Circuits and Interplex PMP.

The winner of each category was then nominated for the final trophy of the night, the prestigious 'Made In Scotland' award. Chief Executive Simon Cotton was welcomed back to the stage, to collect the award on behalf of his teams in Elgin and Hawick, as Johnstons of Elgin was announced as the overall winner.

The Made In Scotland Awards champion Scottish innovation and receive entries from a broad spectrum of industries, including manufacturing, recycling, life sciences and food and drink.

Johnstons of Elgin has the only fully vertical mill in Scotland, which takes raw fibre to finished garment, and supplies some of the world's best-known designers. While Johnstons of Elgin has always retained its core philosophies, the brand credits constant innovation for its 220-year success, with a continued investment in the newest technology to maintain the top processes, that ensures products are always the very best.

CEO Simon Cotton said: "We are an immensely proud Scottish company, with strong history of innovation, creativity and excellence in manufacturing. These two awards are testament to the hard work of our team, some of whom are the third generation of their family to work with us, who consistently deliver the highest quality products."

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ABOUT

In the two centuries following its establishment in 1797, Johnstons of Elgin has been owned by just two families – the Johnstons and the Harrisons. It is one of the last few vertical mills in the UK still carrying out all the processes from raw cashmere and fine woollen fibres right through to the finished product. Johnstons of Elgin's mills in Elgin and Hawick employ over 1000 people, including highly skilled textile craftsmen and women.

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