

CELEBRATING CANADA

This year, the Vancouver International Wine Festival celebrates the wines of Canada, as Canada celebrates its 150th birthday. Festival week features a full slate of events featuring Canadian wine and food: dinners and seminars, a hip kick-off party at The Permanent, and a spectacular grazing lunch that will take you from coast to coast in one room. And all 76 Canadian wineries can be visited at the International Festival Tastings. These events highlight an amazing array of wines from British Columbia, Ontario and Nova Scotia (making its VanWineFest debut), alongside Canada's culinary culture. The world needs more Canada – and we have it for you!

FEATURING



Oculus Retrospective

- Tuesday, February 14**
- VCC East, meeting room 8
- 4-5:30 p.m.
- Wine Seminar
- \$125

The attributes of a great wine are consistency, complexity, finesse and longevity. Mission Hill Family Estate has been making premium wine for over three decades. With a wealth of quality grapes at our fingertips, select fruit from estate-owned vineyards in Oliver and Osoyoos are nurtured and aged in the Oculus Celler. Discover the greatness of Oculus through this eight-vintage vertical.

BC's Original Icon

- Wednesday, February 15**
- Glowbal
- 4-5:30 p.m.
- Wine Seminar
- \$125

Explore BC's most iconic wine, Nota Bene, through a vertical tasting with Black Hills winemaker Graham Pierce and president Glenn Fawcett. From the inaugural 1999 vintage to the current 2014 release, experience the stylistic consistency of this single vineyard wine through nine vintages. Hosted in Glowbal's Gold Room, this will be a spectacular event for wine lovers.

Wines of Canada Party

- Wednesday, February 15**
- The Permanent
- 8-10 p.m.
- Wine Mingler
- \$59

Kick off the festival with a casual, fun, wine and food grazing. Discover new wines as you explore Canada's diverse and evolving winegrowing regions, offering world-class wines for today's savvy consumers. Locally inspired finger food from Cocktails & Canapés will pair wonderfully with exceptional wines from 31 wineries, complemented by great Canadian music. A night to remember!

FREE TICKET WITH HOTEL BOOKING

International Festival Tasting

\$75-\$95 value



Book by Feb 2. Details online.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

VanWineFest.ca
604.873.3311 | 1.877.321.3121
(Weekdays 9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.)

Questions?
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All ticket prices include wine, food (if it is a food event), gratuities, service charges and taxes. No additional charges.

Discover Ontario's Cool

- Thursday, February 16**
- VCC West, meeting room 109
- 5:15-6:45 p.m.
- Wine Seminar
- \$50

Ontario has been called one of the world's most exciting new world wine regions. Join Christopher Waters, co-founder and editor of VINES Magazine, for a tour of Canada's largest wine growing region and experience Ontario's fine wine revolution. Taste and discover cool climate varietals including Riesling, Chardonnay, Pinor Noir, Cabernet Franc, along with sparkling and Icewine.

BC Pioneers & New Kids

- Friday, February 17**
- VCC West, meeting room 109
- 5:15-6:45 p.m.
- Wine Seminar
- \$50

Take an evolutionary look at the British Columbia wine industry over the past 25 years and see how industry pioneers and the new kids on the block are putting their stamp on making wine in BC. The tasting will highlight both BC's core varieties and a selection of lesser-known varietals produced in BC.

Celebrating Canada's 150th

- Saturday, February 18**
- VCC West, Level 3
- 12-2 p.m.
- Grazing Lunch
- \$109

Celebrate Canada's 150th birthday with a spectacular selection of wines matched with quintessential Canadian dishes from VCC executive chef Blair Rasmussen. With 76 Canadian wineries featured, each featuring two wines from their portfolio, guests can taste their way across the country, without leaving the room.

Trans Canada Tasting

- Saturday, February 18**
- VCC West, meeting room 109
- 5:15-6:45 p.m.
- Wine Seminar
- \$60

Join Canada's first Master Sommelier, John Szabo, and Western Canada's first Master of Wine, Barbara Philip, for a virtual road trip through this great country's vineyards. Also along for the ride will be leading viticulturalists and winemakers from Nova Scotia, Ontario and British Columbia to present some of their regions' benchmark wines.

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1700 WINES

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