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TASTE THE WORLD AT #VIWF

International Festival Tasting

**The Wine World is Here** for the 43rd Vancouver International Wine Festival, and you can discover it for yourself at the **International Festival Tastings**. A tour of the Tasting Room lets you choose from ~500 wines from 14 countries.

You can download a PDF of the Tasting Room Program at [VanWineFest.ca](#) to plan your Tasting Room visit in advance. And see all the remaining events on the **Festival at a Glance**.

- Vancouver Convention Centre
- Thursday, May 19**
- 7-10 p.m.
- \$109**
- Friday, May 20**
- 7-10 p.m.
- Sold Out**
- Saturday, May 21**
- 2:30-5 p.m.
- \$109**
- 7-10 p.m.
- Sold Out**



IT'S A DEAL!

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

View the **Festival at a Glance** for up-to-date event availability.

Call: Toll free 1.877.321.3121 | 604.873.3311 (Weekdays 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.)

[VanWineFest.ca](#) 24/7

TOP 10 TASTING TIPS

If you have a ticket to one of the International Festival Tastings, here are some tips for the best ways to enjoy the event. Check out Instagram and Facebook to view the full series of Tasting Tips videos.

- Anthony Gismondi, wine writer, Vancouver Sun, Gismondionwine.com:** Start at the end of the winery list and work your way towards the entrance to avoid crowds.
- Jason Yamasaki, JOEY Restaurants group sommelier:** Eat before the show...and drink lots of water during the tastings to stay hydrated.
- Tim Pawsey, wine writer, hiredBelly.com:** Make a plan and stick with it.
- Justin Hall, Nk'Mip Cellars winemaker:** Wear dark clothing. White shirts and red wine don't mix.
- Harry Hertscheg, VIWF executive director:** Visit one table from each country. Visit the quiet tables; it's all good wine.
- A veteran wine taster:** Wear comfortable shoes. Your feet will thank you.
- Lorenzo Gucci, Altesino export manager:** Go easy on the fragrance. It will help your sensory enjoyment of the wine.
- Richard Carras, Authentic Wine & Spirits president:** Talk to the people with blue lanyards. They're the actual producers and they know everything about their wines.
- Brian Lynn, Majella Wines owner:** Sip, spit. Easy as that.
- Kelly Snider, past VIWF gala manager:** Visit the onsite BC Liquor Store early to make your purchases. Go to two sessions and buy on your second trip.

LAST CHANCE TO  
STAY, SIP & SAVE:

Offer extended! Book a stay through [StayVancouverHotels.com](#) and receive a free International Festival Tasting ticket to the session of your choice. It's the only way to get a ticket on Friday or Saturday night now!

*The offer is only valid until May 13.*



VINE STARS SHINE AT SEMINARS

Don't miss this opportunity to learn more about the world of wine at our dynamic wine seminars. Our wine experts will guide you through the tasting, while our panels of vine stars will share the inside scoop about their star wines.

All seminars take place from 5:15-6:45 p.m. at the Vancouver Convention Centre or close by – perfect timing to upgrade your #VIWF experience. Enjoy a seminar before or after an **International Festival Tasting**.

Grapes Unknown

- Thursday, May 19**
- Vancouver Convention Centre West
- 1055 Canada Place
- \$75**

Discover grapes off the beaten path in this seminar designed to expand your palate beyond the classic international varieties.

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The Shape of Wine

- Friday, May 20**
- Terminal City Club
- 837 West Hastings Street
- \$150**

Find out how glass shape changes your wine as you sample wines from Riedel's Performance Series glassware. The set of glasses is yours to take home (a \$160 value)!

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The Global Cru

- Friday, May 20**
- Vancouver Convention Centre West
- 1055 Canada Place
- \$125**

Take a global journey through some of the wine world's greatest vineyards.

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Icons of California Cabernet

- Saturday, May 21**
- Vancouver Convention Centre West
- 1055 Canada Place
- \$75**

From the icons of Napa Valley to the new rising stars challenging convention, this seminar is a California road trip you don't want to miss.

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