

FEB 22–MAR 2, 2025

TASTE THE WORLD



INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL TASTINGS

The Wine World is Here for the **46th Vancouver International Wine Festival**, and you can discover it for yourself at the **International Festival Tastings**. A tour of the Tasting Room lets you sample ~700 wines from 15 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 events with tickets available on the **Festival at a Glance**. Our festival app is also a useful tool to browse the Tasting Room wines and make notes.

- Thursday, February 27**
- 7-10 p.m.
- \$119 all-in
- Friday, February 28**
- 7-10 p.m.
- \$129 all-in
- Saturday, March 1**
- 2:30-5 p.m.
- \$129 all-in
- Saturday, March 1**
- 7-10 p.m.
- \$139 all-in
- Vancouver Convention Centre West
1055 Canada Place



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 @vanwinefest on Instagram and Facebook to see more tasting tips.

- Have a plan – before you get to the Tasting Room, take some time to look through the Tasting Room Program or app and mark your must-tastes.

• Make the BCLIQUOR onsite wine shop your first stop – browse the aisles to get familiar with the wines from around the world you'd like to try at winery tables.

• Be international – try a wine from all 15 countries.

• Take a focused wine journey – visit one of the tasting stations featuring wines from Bordeaux, California, New Zealand, Oregon, and Washington, or hang out at one of our wine bars featuring sparkling wines, West Coast Chardonnays, and sustainable wines from around the world.

• Try something new – you could find your next go-to wine. Or take some comfort in an old favourite.

• Save your top sips – make notes in the Tasting Room Program, give the wine a star on the festival app, or take a picture for a visual shopping list. You'll want to remember what you liked later!
- Look for the blue lanyards – those are top winery personalities, our #VineStars, here to share their wines and stories with you.

• Share the space – step away from the table once you've had your taste and asked your questions.

• Sip, Spit – you don't have to finish every sample; use the rinse stations. Save your palate for the rest of the session!

• Cleanse your palate – enjoy small bites and treats and non-alcoholic hot and cold beverages at our food exhibitors.

• Shop often – pick up your favourite wines in the on-site BCLIQUOR store before they sell out – you can check your purchases and return to the room, then have them delivered to your local store.

• Don't wine and drive – pick up a complimentary transit ticket at the Get Home Safe Booth in the BCLIQUOR store.



FESTIVAL APP

Download the VanWineFest app before your tasting session to keep track of your Tasting Room journey. It contains all wines served at International Festival Tastings and Trade Tastings.



ENHANCE YOUR EXPERIENCE

DELTA AIR LINES TASTING LOUNGE

Our number one tip is to take advantage of the exclusive Delta Air Lines Tasting Lounge. **Admission includes that concurrent International Festival Tasting**, and the lounge has its own convenient entrance to the Tasting Room. Escape the crowds and sample an assortment of festival wines and light bites, and relax while enjoying the view across Coal Harbour.

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Choose from three sessions:

- Friday, February 28**
- 6-9 p.m.
- \$225 all-in
- Saturday, March 1**
- 2-4 p.m.
- \$210 all-in
- Saturday, March 1**
- 6-9 p.m.
- \$235 all-in
- Vancouver Convention Centre West
1055 Canada Place

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

WEST COAST WINE ALLSTARS

Discover the bold wines that put the West Coast on the global stage. This seminar highlights wines from California, Oregon, and Washington, exploring renowned producers and their standout wines. Perfect for wine lovers eager to dive into top-tier West Coast wines.

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- Thursday, February 27 | 5:15-6:45 p.m.
- Vancouver Convention Centre West
1055 Canada Place
- \$95 all-in

COOL CLIMATE CALIFORNIA

Take a tasting tour of cool-climate gems from Santa Barbara, Monterey, Mendocino, and beyond. Dive into vibrant, unexpected flavours from these coastal regions and discover why they're rising stars in California winemaking.

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- Friday, February 28 | 5:15-6:45 p.m.
- Vancouver Convention Centre West
1055 Canada Place
- \$50 all-in



IT'S A DEAL!

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

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

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