

Membership Application

Name _____

Spouse Name _____

Address _____

Phone (home) _____

(mobile) _____

Email _____

Spouse Email _____

Membership Category

Initiation Fee (one time charge, check one)

- SingleFee: \$35
- Couple.....Fee: \$45

Annual Dues (check one)

- SingleFee: \$75
- CouplesFee: \$110

Joint Membered Annual Dues:

If you are a member of another branch of IW&FS you are qualified for a joint membership; please provide the name of the branch:

- SingleFee: \$30
- Couple.....Fee: \$40

Medallion (optional)

-Fee: \$45

Please send this application along with your check payable to IW&FS Council Bluffs Branch to:

Diane Forristall
 35252 Pioneer Trail
 Macedonia, IA 51503
 Phone: 712-486-2511
 Diane@Forristall.us

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“WINE makes every meal an occasion, every table more elegant, every day more civilized.”

André Simon, Founder

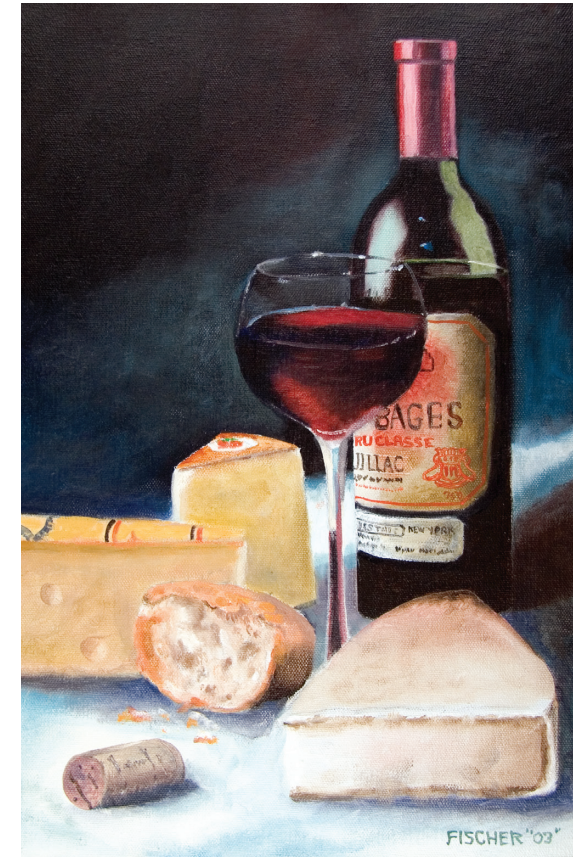
The International Wine and Food Society was founded in London, England in 1933. At the time of its founding, the Society was the world’s only association of gastronomic enthusiasts not associated commercially with the wine and food trade. Today it remains as the most prestigious and most widespread independent gastronomic society in the world. After its humble beginnings in London, the Society grew exponentially. By 1947, there were about 1,500 members. Today there are more than 6,500 members in 150 branches located in 40 countries scattered around the world. In the Americas alone, there are 4,200 members located in 80 branches.



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Membership Information

Why Belong to the IWFS?

Wine is the aristocrat of social beverages and artistically prepared food is wine's soulmate and inseparable companion. Being able to drink wine with people who share the love of wine and who enjoy fine cuisine is without doubt the primary reason to belong to our great society. Wine lovers share a companionship that has been responsible for the development of many lasting friendships.

Seeking knowledge about wine and haute cuisine is a never-ending endeavor. The International Wine and Food Society is a vanguard in providing the necessary environment and tools to peruse such endeavors. Education, exciting worldwide travel, hedonistic wines, and exquisite cuisine are all brought to focus with a strong sense of fellowship.

Do not feel intimidated by seeking membership in the IW&FS. You do not have to be an authority on wine and foods to join. Indeed, the vast numbers of members who join are novices. One of the primary purposes of the organization is to educate its members about wine and food in a friendly and social atmosphere. Our members are fun-loving, and easygoing people who love to indulge in the better things in life.



Benefits of Membership

IWFS.ORG: This is the worldwide website where you can find out more about the IW&FS.

Publications: Every quarter, a national newsletter, *Wine, Food and Friends*, is sent to each member.

The primary intent of the newsletter is to keep members up-to-date with activities in other branches around the country. Each branch has the opportunity to publish the menu and details of their event along with accompanying photos in full color. The newsletter also notifies you of upcoming regional and national events that you are invited to attend.

In addition to the national newsletter, The Council Bluffs Branch publishes an on-line monthly newsletter, *The Bluffs Gazette*, that features upcoming and past events complete with a generous array of color photos. In every issue, an educational article is published on various wine and food-related materials.

Festivals: Every year the society produces an International festival. You will explore interesting and exotic locations worldwide with a special focus on its wines, cuisines, and cultures. Past festivals were located in such exciting places as Santiago, Tuscany, Portland, London, Cape Town, Sidney, Caribbean (cruise), Mediterranean (cruise).

Vintage Chart: Each member will receive a vintage chart that provides yearly ratings of all the major wine areas of the world going back to 1970. The chart is updated annually and also serves as a membership card.

Members In Our Society:

- Drink some of the **world's finest wines**.
- Enjoy fabulous dinners prepared by the area's finest chefs.
- Meet wonderful people.
- Travel to exotic places.
- Attend educational wine and food seminars.
- Become connoisseurs!

