



The International Wine & Food Society  
IWFS Americas Inc.

# Paris & Bordeaux Wine Festival

## *Dear IWFS Members Worldwide,*

IWFS Americas Inc. is proud to announce the 2020 Paris & Bordeaux Wine Festival. Paris is one of the most beautiful cities in the world and Bordeaux produces many of the world's most sought-after wines. You will visit the best châteaux, restaurants and stay at the finest hotels. Steven Greenwald, Vice Chairman of IWFS Americas Inc. Festivals & Events Committee and Andrew Jones, Chairman of IWFS Council of Management, have traveled to Paris and Bordeaux many times and have organized an incredible in-depth vacation for serious wine and food lovers. Click the link at the bottom of this letter to view the long-awaited Paris/Bordeaux Invitation.

You will spend three wonderful days in Paris. After you check into the Mandarin Oriental Paris our Meet and Greet Black Tie Dinner is at Le Laurent (1 Michelin Star) restaurant. The next day is a busy day, in the morning you will visit La Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris' newest and most popular museum. Around noon you will board a private yacht for a Champagne lunch while cruising the River Seine. Evening takes you to a Cabaret dinner and show at Le Lido. Day three you will be given The Paris Pass which will allow you to visit any of 50 Parisian most renowned museums. For dinner we will divide into three groups to dine at one of three restaurants, Le Pavillon Ledoyen, Guy Savoy or Le Pre Catalan.

On day four you travel on the TGV to Bordeaux. Your luggage will be picked up at the Mandarin Oriental Paris and transferred to InterContinental Bordeaux - Le Grand Hôtel. Once you arrive and check into the InterContinental Bordeaux - Le Grand Hôtel you will visit the world renowned La Cité du Vin interactive Museum. A cocktail dinner will be served at Belvedere of La Cité du Vin with President, Sylvie Cazes.

For the next four days we will divide into four groups of thirty (30) at which time you will visit the following regions and vineyards:

**PESSAC-LÉOGNAN** and **SAUTERNES**: Cellar visits and tastings at Château Haut-Brion, Château La Mission Haut-Brion and Château d'Yquem. Lunch followed by a cellar visit and tasting at Château Haut-Bailly.

**MARGAUX** and **PAUILLAC**: Cooking class, cellar visit and lunch at Château Kirwan. Cellar visit and tasting at Château Lafite-Rothschild.

**PAUILLAC**: Cellar visits and tastings at Château Mouton-Rothschild and Château Lynch-Bages. Lunch at Château Cordeillan-Bages' Michelin starred restaurant.

**SAINT-ÉMILION**: Blending workshop, buffet lunch and cellar visit at Château de Ferrand. Cellar visit and tasting at Château Cheval Blanc. Private guided visit of the medieval village of Saint-Émilion.

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◀ Your evening dinners are special. You will dine at Le Chapon Fin, Saint-James, (1 Michelin Star), Le Pressoir d'Argent (2 Michelin Stars) and La Grand'Vigne (2 Michelin Stars).

On day nine you are at your leisure to enjoy free time in Bordeaux. Our evening farewell Black Tie Gala Dinner is at Bordeaux Opéra House, the most emblematic monument: Grand Théâtre de Bordeaux.

## Registration

We have such a great program in Paris & Bordeaux, that we confidently expect an unusually large number of members will want to attend. Unfortunately, all the leading Châteaux impose strict limits on the number of visitors whom they are willing to receive at any one time. Most will not accept more than 25 visitors. Thanks to Sylvie Cazes and her team at Bordeaux Saveurs, we have been able to persuade all the Châteaux included in our program to accept 30 members of the IWFS and to do so four days in a row, which means that the number able to attend this festival must be strictly limited to 120 members.

## Priority for First Timers'

Some members attend festivals every year, but a large majority of members have never attended any IWFS Festival or Great Weekend anywhere in the World. We want to encourage greater

participation and our best ambassadors are of course the festival attendees themselves. In order to encourage "first timers", we have 20 spots reserved for members who have not previously attended any festival or events organized by IWFS Americas, but only for a limited period. "First timers" will have the opportunity to make their reservation on Tuesday, May 28, at 12:00 noon EDT(USA). For those that have attended previous festivals there are 100 spots and registration will commence on Thursday, May 30, at 12:00 noon EDT(USA).

Best of wine, food & friends,

*Stephen Hipple*

IWFS Americas Inc. Festivals & Events Chairman

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for photos and a more detailed itinerary.

