

November 2014 Food & Wine Events Calendar



Gourmet Extravanzas for Oenophiles and Foodies

November 1-2
Sonoma County, CA

A Wine & Food Affair



Join the Alexander, Dry Creek and Russian River Valleys in their 16th annual wine and food pairing weekend. This premier Wine Road event will have guests hopping from winery to winery sampling vineyard favorites. Ticket holders will receive a Wine Road Calendar and a tasting glass. Ticket prices are \$70 for the weekend, \$50 for Sunday and \$30 for designated drivers. Tickets, which often sell out, must be purchased in advance and will go on sale September 1. For more [information](#) visit www.wineroad.com



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November 1-2
Temecula, CA

Annual Harvest Wine Celebration



Temecula Valley Wine County invites guests on a fun-filled culinary adventure: a self-guided tour with delicious food and wine samplings from 30 different wineries. Exclusive barrel and/or tank samples of finished and unfinished wines will be offered, many of which have yet to hit the market. Tickets are \$99 and will give guests access to the event from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on both days. For tickets and more information visit www.temeculawines.org

November 4-December 4
Yosemite National Park, CA

Vintners' Holidays





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Each year, as autumn gives way to another winter, Yosemite celebrates winemakers' fall harvest. Celebratory events include wine tastings and seminars, meet and greets with winemakers and a five-course gala dinner prepared by executive chef Percy Whatley. Benziger Family Winery, Rombauer Vineyards, Chappellet Winery and J Vineyard and Winery are among this year's participants. Hotel packages are also available. For more information, visit www.yosemitepark.com

November 6-8
Turks & Caicos

Fourth Annual Caribbean Food & Wine Festival



Join celebrity chefs Leah Cohen, "Top Chef" alum and owner of New York's Pig & Khao, Hans Peter Haider from hotel12, and David Lefevre, co-owner of Fishing with Dynamite for a three-day culinary celebration hosted by Grace Bay Resorts. Caribbean culture and cooking are the focal point, with funds raised at the event going to "Little Chefs," a mentor program that enables children from the area to pursue their culinary dreams and The Department of Youth Affairs. Some exciting events at this year's festival include the Island Street Food Fair and food and wine pairing events that share the best wine to compliment seafood, meat, cheese and dessert. Tickets are \$399 for the weekend, \$125 for the welcome dinner, \$60 for a pairing class and \$25 for the street fair. For more information visit caribbeanfoodandwinefestivaltc.com



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November 7-9
San Luis Obispo, CA

Harvest on the Coast

The annual Harvest on the Coast weekend is a local food and wine extravaganza. Dive into the 2014 harvest season with wine tastings, artisan foods, an ocean view and live music featuring local band, the Crushtones. The main event, an outdoor grand tasting and auction, takes place on Saturday and includes prizes such as rare wines, culinary treats, SLO Wine Country [destination](#) experiences, and wine and lifestyle packages. Other festivities include winemaker dinners on Friday and winery open houses on Sunday. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit www.slowine.com

November 7-9
Atlantic City, NJ

Savor Borgata



The seventh annual Savor Borgata weekend will take place at the [Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa](#) in Atlantic City. The weekend will host many celebrity chefs, including Bobby Flay, Wolfgang Puck and former White House [pastry chef](#) Thaddeus DuBois. Over a dozen culinary events will take place, such as the "Street Eats" reception on Saturday, November 8. Participants can taste delicacies like Alligator Bang Bang and Chinese style braised duck tongue on Friday, November 7, during the "Extreme Eats" event. Other highlights include learning how to make sushi while enjoying sake pairings with chef Michael Schulson of Izakaya in Philadelphia, and a live cooking demo by Geoffrey Zakarian, host of Food Network's "The Kitchen," followed by a signing of his new cookbook, *My Perfect Pantry*. Ticket prices vary for each event. The hotel is offering a "Savor Borgata Hotel Package." Call 609-317-1000 or visit www.theborgata.com



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November 13-23
Puerto Vallarta, MEXICO

International Gourmet Festival

This year, Puerto Vallarta celebrates the 20th anniversary of their International Gourmet Festival. The festivities will begin with a special evening in the company of guests and international chefs. Other activities include a special gourmet experience at the Trio Restaurant, workshops on the best-kept culinary secrets and a gourmet expo and show. The celebration ends with a competition to see which chef can make the best "Fiesta Paella." Prices vary depending on the event. Visit www.festivalgourmet.com for more information.

November 20-22
Broomfield, CO

Denver International Wine Festival



Held at the Omni Interlocken Resort, the Denver International Wine Festival will focus on premium quality wines, beers and spirits. This Rocky Mountain festival offers tastings of international wines, educational seminars and a Julia Child Champagne Tribute Luncheon & Auction. On Thursday October 20, ten Colorado chefs participate in a food and wine pairing. Friday holds the Grand Tasting of International Wines featuring more than 400 wines, beers and spirits. Tickets to the main events start at \$65. Call 303-664-5700 or visit www.denverwinefest.com for a schedule and to purchase tickets.

November 20-23

[BARBADOS](#)

Barbados Food & Wine and Rum Festival



The Barbados Food & Wine and Rum Festival features cooking demonstrations by celebrity chefs, wine seminars, a bajan fiesta and the highlight of the week, the Mount Gay rum tour. Prices vary for each event and range between \$50 and \$250. For more information on the celebrity chefs and events, visit www.foodwinerum.com

November 28 – December 25

Nuremberg, Germany

Nuremberg Christkindlesmarkt



Celebrate Christmas by experiencing one of Germany's oldest traditions, Nuremberg Christkindlesmarkt, or "Christmas Market." In the heart of Nuremberg's Old Town, more than



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180 decorated market stands invite guests to browse Christmas favorites like ornaments, gold-foil angels and toys. During the festival, the air smells of gingerbread, hot chocolate, Nuremberg bratwurst and mulled wine. The opening ceremony begins Friday, November 28 at 5:30 p.m. and is enjoyable for both Nuremberg locals and tourists alike. The market is open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. until December 24, when it closes at 2 p.m. For more information visit www.christkindlesmarkt.de

November 29 – December 1
Rome, ITALY

Roma Food & Wine Festival



Three days, twenty chefs, and 60 of the highest-rated winemakers from all over Italy will make up the Roma Food & Wine Festival. Taking place on the top floor of Eataly restaurant in Rome, each chef will demonstrate the making of their signature dishes while wineries take guests on a tasting journey from Alto Adige through Sicily. For more information and to stay up to date on the event, visit meranowinefestival.com