



LOS ANGELES INTERNATIONAL WINE COMPETITION

COMPETITION DIVISIONS & CATEGORIES

Early Bird Deadline Jan 5 | Entry Deadline Feb 27 | Shipping Deadline Mar 6

Los Angeles International Wine Competition
Judging March 25-27, 2026
Spreti Valente, Wine Chair

- ❖ The award-winning wines will be displayed at the LA County Fair, May 7-31, 2026
- ❖ Early Bird- \$90/per entry received before Jan 5 | \$115/per entry received after Jan 7
- ❖ **Each entry must consist of Six (6) bottles per entry**

BEST OF SHOW

The highest recognition a wine can receive, awarded to the “Best of the Best” and selected from the Best of Class Award Winners only.

“DON GALLEANO AWARD”

This prestigious award is given in memory of Don Galleano, a former distinguished Los Angeles International Wine Competition Judge and Los Angeles County Fair Association member. Don was a prominent figure in the California wine industry. He was a champion for the region’s water interests and served on several boards including the Western Municipal Water District and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. His passion for the Cucamonga Valley and his commitment to preserving its history will continue to inspire generations to come.

BEST OF DIVISION

Best of Division: An outstanding Best of Class wine that is superior in its class

Best Sparkling Wine	Best Organic Wine
Best White Wine	Best Late Harvest Wine
Best Red Wine	Best Fortified Wine
Best Rosé Wine	Best Fruit Wine

AWARDS OFFERED PER CATEGORY

Best of Class: 94 – 100 pts: An outstanding Gold Medal wine that is superior in its class

Gold Medal: 90 – 100 pts: An outstanding wine of superior character and style

Silver Medal: A very good wine with special qualities

Bronze Medal: A well-made wine

Mail Wine Entry Form and Fees to:

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WINE DIVISIONS AND CATEGORIES

Division 1004 – Fortified Wine

- 1- Angelica
- 2- Madeira
- 3- Marsala
- 4- Muscat, White
- 5- Muscat, Black/Red
- 6- Port, Ruby
- 7- Port, Tawny
- 8- Port, Varietal
- 9- Port, Vintage
- 10- Port, Vintage, Varietal
- 11- Port, Flavored (Chocolate, etc.)
- 12- Port, White
- 13- Vermouth, Red
- 14- Vermouth, White
- 15- Dessert Wine, Other

Portugal

- 16- Port, Vintage
- 17- Port, Tawny
- 18- Port, Other

Non-Spanish

- 19- Sherry, Dry
- 20- Sherry, Medium
- 21- Sherry, Sweet

Spain

- 22- Sherry, Fino
- 23- Sherry, Amontillado
- 24- Oloroso, Dry
- 25- Oloroso, Sweet
- 26- Other

Division 1020 – Sparkling Wine

Non-Vintage Methode

Champenoise

- 201- Blanc de Blancs
- 202- Natural (0 - .5% RS)
- 203- Blanc de Noirs
- 204- Brut (.51 - 1.5% RS)
- 205- Extra Dry (1.51 - 2.5% RS)
- 206- Dry (2.51 - 3.5% RS)
- 207- Brut Rosé
- 208- Red Sparkling (Syrah, etc.)

Vintage Methode Champenoise

- 209- Blanc de Blancs
- 210- Blanc de Noirs
- 211- Natural (0 - .5% RS)
- 212- Brut (.51 - 1.5% RS)
- 213- Brut Rosé

Australia/New Zealand

- 214- Blanc de Blancs
- 215- Blanc de Noirs
- 216- Natural (0 - .5% RS)
- 217- Brut (.51 - 1.5%RS)
- 218- Dry
- 219- Brut Rosé

- 220- Red Sparkling (Shiraz, etc)

Champagne

- 221- Blanc de Blancs
- 222- Blanc de Noirs
- 223- Brut (.51 - 1.5% RS)
- 224- Extra Dry (1.51 - 2.5% RS)
- 225- Dry (2.51 - 3.5% RS)
- 226- Brut Rosé

France

- 227- Blanquette De Limoux
- 228- Blanc de Blanc
- 229- Crémant Brut
- 230- Crémant Brut Rosé
- 231- Sparkling Rosé

Italy

- 232- Prosecco, Brut
- 233- Prosecco, Extra Dry
- 234- Prosecco, Dry
- 235- Natural (0 - .5% RS)
- 236- Brut (.51 - 1.5% RS)
- 237- Extra Dry (1.51 - 2.5% RS)
- 238- Dry (2.51 - 3.5% RS)
- 239- Moscato D 'Asti
- 240- Sparkling Dolce
- 241- Asti Spumante
- 242- Sparkling Rosé
- 243- Sparkling Red (Brachetto)

Spain

- 244- Cava
- 245- Cava, Rose

Other

- 246- Sparkling Brut, Bulk/Charmat Process
- 247- Sparkling Extra Dry, Bulk/Charmat Process
- 248- Sparkling Rosé
- 249- Sparkling Grenache Rosé
- 250- Sparkling Moscato/Spumante
- 251- Sparkling Fruit Wines
- 252- Sparkling Wine with Fruit Flavors
- 253- Sparkling Gewurztraminer
- 254- Sparkling Pinot Grigio
- 255- Sparkling Moscato with Fruit Flavors
- 256- Sparkling Moscato Rosé
- 257- Sparkling Orange Moscato
- 258- Sparkling Red Moscato
- 259- Lambrusco, White
- 260- Lambrusco, Red
- 261- Semi-Sparkling White (Frizzante)
- 262- Semi-Sparkling Red (Frizzante)

- 263- Semi-Sparkling with Fruit Flavors
- 264- Sparkling Wine, Other
- 265- Semi-Sparkling Rose
- 266- Prosecco Style CA Sparkling
- 267- Sparkling Albarino
- 268- Sparkling Riesling
- 269- Semi-Sparkling, Other

Division 1030 – Red Wine

- 301- Alicante Bouschet
- 302- Barbera
- 303- Cabernet Franc
- 304- Cabernet Sauvignon, Non-Vintage
- 305- Cabernet Sauvignon, 2024 or later, retail price, 0 - \$14.99
- 306- Cabernet Sauvignon, 2024 or later, retail price, \$15.00 and up
- 307- Cabernet Sauvignon, 2023 retail price, 0 - \$19.99
- 308- Cabernet Sauvignon, 2023 retail price, \$20.00 - \$39.99
- 309- Cabernet Sauvignon, 2023 retail price, \$40.00 and up
- 310- Cabernet Sauvignon, 2022 retail price, 0 - \$29.99
- 311- Cabernet Sauvignon, 2022 retail price, \$30.00 and up
- 312- Cabernet Sauvignon, 2021 or earlier
- 313- Carignane
- 314- Chambourcin
- 315- Charbono
- 316- Cinsault
- 317- Concord
- 318- Dolcetto
- 319- Gamay (all types)
- 320- Graciano
- 321- Grenache
- 322- Lagrein
- 323- Lemberger or Blaufrankish
- 324- Malbec
- 325- Merlot, Non-Vintage
- 326- Merlot, 2024 or later, retail price, 0 - \$14.99
- 327- Merlot, 2024 or later, retail price, \$15.00 and up
- 328- Merlot, 2023, 0 - \$14.99
- 329- Merlot, 2023, \$15.00 - \$29.99
- 330- Merlot, 2023, \$30.00 and up
- 331- Merlot, 2022 or earlier
- 332- Mourvedr

333- Nebbiolo
 334- Noble
 335- Norton/Cynthiana
 336- Petit Verdot
 337- Petite Sirah, 2024 or later
 338- Petite Sirah, 2023
 339- Petite Sirah, 2022 or earlier
 340- Pinotage
 341- Pinot Noir, Non-Vintage
 342- Pinot Noir, 2024 or later
 retail price, 0 - \$14.99
 343- Pinot Noir, 2024 or later, retail
 price, \$15.00 - \$29.99
 344- Pinot Noir, 2024 or later, retail
 price, \$30.00 – and up
 345- Pinot Noir, 2023, retail price,
 0 - \$29.99
 346- Pinot Noir, 2023, retail price,
 \$30.00 and up
 347- Pinot Noir, 2022 or earlier
 348- Primitivo
 349- Ruby Cabernet
 350- Sangiovese
 351- Sangria
 352- Souzao
 353- Super Tuscan Blend
 354- Syrah, non-vintage
 355- Syrah, 2024 or later
 356- Syrah, Vintage 2023
 357- Syrah, 2022 or earlier
 358- Tannat
 359- Tempranillo
 360- Teroldego
 361- Touriga
 362- Zinfandel, non-vintage
 363- Zinfandel, 2024 or later, retail
 price, 0 - \$19.99
 364- Zinfandel, 2024 or later, retail
 price, \$20.00 and up
 365- Zinfandel, 2023, 0 - \$19.99 366-
 Zinfandel, 2023, \$20.00 -
 \$39.99
 367- Zinfandel, 2023, \$40.00 and up
 368- Zinfandel, 2022 or earlier

**Blend Categories are for Judging
 Purposes ONLY and will be listed as Red
 Blends**

369- Bordeaux Blend (including
 Meritage), 2023 or later, retail
 price, 0 - \$29.99
 370- Bordeaux Blend (including
 Meritage), 2023 or later, retail
 price, \$30.00 and up
 371- Bordeaux Blend (including
 Meritage), 2022 or earlier
 retail price, 0 - \$29.99
 372- Bordeaux Blend (including
 Meritage), 2022 or earlier,
 retail price, \$30.00 and up
 373- Cabernet Based Red Blend

374- Merlot Based Red
 375- Petite Sirah Based Red Blend
 376- Syrah Based Red Blend
 377- Zinfandel Based Red Blend
 378- Cabernet Sauv./Merlot Blend
 379- Cabernet Sauvignon/Syrah
 Blend
 380- Italian Style Red Blend
 381- Rhone Style Blend (Light to
 Medium-Style)
 381- Rhone Style Blend (Light to
 Medium-Style)
 382- Rhone Style Blend (Medium to
 Heavy-Style)
 383- Portuguese Style Red Blend
 384- Spanish Style Red Blend
 385- Non Vinifera Red Blend
 386- Sweet Red Blend
 387- Red Blend, Other than listed
 388- Non Vinifera Varietals not
 listed
 389- Red Moscato

Argentina

390- Bonarda
 391- Cabernet Sauvignon
 392- Malbec
 393- Argentinean Red Blend

Australia

394- Cabernet Sauvignon
 395- Grenache
 396- Shiraz, 2023 or later
 397- Shiraz, 2022 or earlier
 398- Cabernet/Merlot Blend
 399- Shiraz Blend
 400- Rhone Style Blend

Chile

401- Cabernet Sauvignon
 402- Carmenere
 403- Chilean Red Blend

France

404- Côtes de Bordeaux
 405- Bordeaux
 406- Cabernet Sauvignon
 407- Côtes de Bourg
 408- Chateaufeuf-du-Pape
 409- Coteaux du Languedoc
 410- Cotes-du-Rhone
 411- Malbec (Cot)
 412- Pessac-Leognan
 413- Pinot Noir
 414- Medoc
 415- Montagne-Saint-Emilion
 416- Pomerol
 417- Moulis
 418- Margaux
 419- Saint Emilion

Greece

420- Agiorgitiko
 421- Mavrodaphne
 422- Red Greek Blend

Italy

423- Amarone
 424- Barbaresco
 425- Barbera
 426- Barolo
 427- Brunello di Montalcino
 428- Carignano
 429- Chianti
 430- Chianti Classico
 431- Vino Nobile di Montepulciano
 432- Dolcetto
 433- Friularo
 434- Lambrusco
 435- Montepulciano d'Abruzzo
 436- Nebbiolo
 437- Negroamaro
 438- Nero D'Avola
 439- Pinot Noir, Provincia di Pavia
 440- Primitivo
 441- Sagrantino
 442- Sangiovese
 443- Super Tuscan Blend
 444- Valpolicella
 445- Vino Passito
 446- Italian Red Blend

Mexico

447- Cabernet Sauvignon
 448- Syrah
 449- Red Blend

New Zealand

450- Pinot Noir

Portugal

451- Portuguese Red Blend
 452- Touriga

South Africa

453- Pinotage
 454- Red Blend

Spain

455- Garnacha
 456- Monastrell
 457- Rioja, Generico, 0 - \$19.99
 458- Rioja, Generico, \$20.00 and up
 459- Rioja, Crianza
 460- Rioja, Reserva
 461- Rioja, Gran Reserva
 462- Tempranillo
 463- Spanish Red Blend

Turkey

464- Turkish Varietal
 465- Turkish Red Blend

Old World

466- Cabernet Sauvignon
 467- Merlot
 468- Pinot Noir
 469- Syrah
 470- Zinfandel
 471- Red Blend
 472- Varietal not listed

New World

- 473- Cabernet Sauvignon
- 474- Merlot
- 475- Pinot Noir
- 476- Syrah
- 477- Zinfandel
- 478- Red Blend
- 479- Varietal not listed

Division 1050 – White Wine

- 500- Albarino
 - 501- Auxerrois
 - 502- Blanc du Bois
 - 503- Cayuga
 - 504- Cortese
 - 505- Chardonnay, non-vintage
 - 506- Chardonnay, Oaked, 2025 or later
 - 507- Chardonnay, Oaked, 2024, retail price, 0 - \$14.99
 - 508- Chardonnay, Oaked, 2024, retail price, \$15.00 - \$29.99
 - 509- Chardonnay, Oaked, 2024, retail price, \$30.00 and up
 - 510- Chardonnay, Oaked, 2023, retail price, 0 - \$14.99
 - 511- Chardonnay, Oaked, 2023, retail price, \$15.00 and up
 - 512- Chardonnay, Oaked, 2022 or earlier
 - 513- Chardonnay, Unoaked, 2025+
 - 514- Chardonnay, Unoaked, 2024, retail price, 0 - \$14.99
 - 515- Chardonnay, Unoaked, 2024, retail price, \$15.00 and up
 - 516- Chardonnay, Unoaked, 2023 or earlier
 - 517- Chardonnay
 - 518- Chenin Blanc
 - 519- Diamond
 - 520- Edelweiss
 - 521- Ehrenfelser
 - 522- Gewurztraminer, Dry (0<1% RS)
 - 523- Gewurztraminer, Medium Dry (1.1 – 2% RS)
 - 524- Gewurztraminer, Medium Sweet (2.1 - 4% RS)
 - 525- Gewurztraminer, Sweet (4.1 - 6% RS)
 - 526- Gewurztraminer Blends
 - 527- Grenache Blanc
 - 528- Gruner Veltliner
- International Guidelines specified by**
www.DrinkRiesling.com
- 530- Riesling, Dry (0<1% RS)
 - 531- Riesling, Medium Dry (1.1 - 2% RS)
 - 532- Riesling, Medium Sweet (2.1 - 4% RS)

- 533- Riesling, Sweet (4.1 - 6% RS)
 - 534- Malvasia Bianca
 - 535- Marsanne
 - 536- Muscat, Dry (0<1% RS)
 - 537- Muscat, Medium Dry (1.1 - 2% RS)
 - 538- Muscat, Medium Sweet (2.1 - 4% RS)
 - 539- Muscat, Sweet (4.1+% RS)
 - 540- Orange Muscat
 - 541- Valvin Muscat
 - 542- Pinot Blanc
 - 543- Pinot Gris
 - 544- Pinot Grigio, Non-Vintage
 - 545- Pinot Grigio, 2025 or later
 - 546- Pinot Grigio, 2024 or earlier
 - 547- Roussanne
 - 548- Sauvignon Blanc, Non-Vintage
 - 549- Sauvignon Blanc, 2025 or later, retail price, 0 - \$14.99
 - 550- Sauvignon Blanc, 2025 or later, retail price, \$15.00 and up
 - 551- Sauvignon Blanc, 2024 or earlier, retail price, 0 \$14.99
 - 552- Sauvignon Blanc, 2024 or earlier retail price \$15.00 +
 - 553- Sauvignon Blanc, 2023 or earlier
 - 554- Sangria
 - 555- Semillon
 - 556- Seyval Blanc
 - 557- Sovereign Opal
 - 558- Symphony, Dry and Off-Dry
 - 559- Traminette
 - 560- Verdelho
 - 561- Vermentino
 - 562- Vidal Blanc
 - 563- Vignoles
 - 564- Viognier
 - 565- White Bordeaux Blend
 - 566- Dry White Blend
 - 567- Chardonnay Based Blend
 - 568- Riesling Based Blend
 - 569- Italian Style White Blend
 - 570- Rhone Style White Blend
 - 571- Sweet White Blend
 - 572- Non-Vinifera White Blend
 - 573- Other White Blend
 - 574- Non-Vinifera Varietals not listed
 - 575- White Varietals not listed
- Argentina**
- 576- Chardonnay
 - 577- Torrontes
- Australia**
- 578- Chardonnay
 - 579- Riesling
 - 580- White Blend

Chile

- 581- Sauvignon Blanc

France

- 582- Chardonnay
- 583- Gewurztraminer
- 584- Pinot Gris
- 585- Pinot Blanc
- 586- Graves AOC
- 587- Riesling
- 588- Vouvray
- 589- White Bordeaux
- 590- White Rhone Blend
- 591- Varietal not listed

Germany

- 592- Riesling
- 593- Varietal not listed

Greece

- 594- Greek Varietal
- 595- Greek White Blend

Italy

- 596- Arneis
- 597- Cortese (Gavi)
- 598- Falanghina
- 599- Fiano
- 600- Garganega
- 601- Greco
- 602- Grillo
- 603- Malvasia Bianco
- 604- Moscato
- 605- Pinot Grigio
- 606- Soavé
- 607- Trebbiano
- 608- Verdicchio
- 609- Vernaccia
- 610- Vermentino
- 611- Italian White Blend

Mexico

- 612- Chardonnay
- 613- Sauvignon Blanc
- 614- White Blend

New Zealand

- 615- Pinot Grigio
- 616- Sauvignon Blanc

Portugal

- 617- Alvarinho
- 618- Portuguese White Blend

South Africa

- 619- Chenin Blanc (Steen)
- 620- White Blend

Spain

- 621- Albariño
- 622- Rueda
- 623- Verdejo
- 624- Malvasia
- 625- Viura
- 626- White Varietal not listed
- 627- Rioja White Blend

Old World

- 628- Chardonnay
- 629- Sauvignon Blanc
- 630- White Blend
- 631- White Varietal not listed

New World

- 632- Chardonnay
- 633- Sauvignon Blanc
- 634- White Blend
- 635- White Varietal not listed

Division 1070 – Late Harvest Wine

- 701- Chardonnay (6.1+%RS)
- 702- Chenin Blanc (6.1+%RS)
- 703- Gewurztraminer (6.1+%RS)
- 704- Ice Wine, Riesling
- 705- Ice Wine, Vidal
- 706- Ice Wine, Cabernet Franc
- 707- Ice Wine, Other Varietals
- 708- Ice Wine, Apple
- 709- Ice Wine, Cider
- 710- Sparkling Ice Wine
- 711- Muscat (6.1+%RS)
- 712- Pinot Gris (6.1+%RS)
- 713- Riesling (6.1 - 12% RS)
- 714- Riesling (12.1 - 18% RS)
- 715- Riesling (18.1% RS+)
- 716- Roussanne (6.1+%RS)
- 717- Sauvignon Blanc (6.1+%RS)
- 718- Semillon (6.1+%RS)
- 719- Vidal Blanc (6.1+%RS)
- 720- Vignoles (6.1+%RS)
- 721- Viognier (6.1+%RS)
- 722- Zinfandel (6.1+%RS)
- 723- Beeren Auslese
- 724- Dessert Wine made from dried grapes
- 725- Recioto (Italy)
- 726- Vin Santo (Italy)
- 727- Sweet Bordeaux (Barsac)
- 728- Sweet Bordeaux (Graves Supérieures)
- 729- Sweet Bordeaux (Sauternes)
- 730- Sweet Bordeaux (Other)
- 731- Other Late Harvest

Division 1075 – Rosé Wine

- 751- Rosé, Bordeaux Varietals
- 752- Rosé, (Bulgaria)
- 753- Rosé, (France)
- 754- Rosé, (Germany)
- 755- Rosé, (Provence)
- 756- Rosé, (Italy)
- 757- Rosé, (Mexico)
- 758- Rosé, (Portugal)
- 759- Rosé, (Romania)
- 760- Rosé, (South Africa)

- 761- Rosé, (Spain)
- 762- Rosé, (Rioja)
- 763- Rosé, Gamay
- 764- Rosé, Grenache
- 765- Rosé, Malbec
- 766- Rosé, Pinot Noir
- 767- Rosé, Sangiovese
- 768- Rosé, Syrah
- 769- Rosé, Tempranillo
- 770- Rosé, Rhone Style
- 771- Rosé (Generic)
- 772- Rosé, Sweet
- 773- Rosé, Non Vinifera
- 774- White Cabernet
- 775- White Merlot
- 776- White Zinfandel
- 777- Zinfandel Rosé
- 778- Pink Sangria
- 779- Pink Moscato
- 780- Rosé, not listed

Division 1080 – Organic Wine

This division is open to all wines made from organically grown grapes. Wines may enter the organic division as well as other divisions.

- 801- Sparkling
- 802- Chardonnay
- 803- Gewurztraminer
- 804- Muscat
- 805- Pinot Grigio
- 806- Pinot Blanc
- 807- Sauvignon Blanc
- 808- Viognier
- 809- White Blend
- 810- Cabernet Franc
- 811- Cabernet Sauvignon
- 812- Merlot
- 813- Petit Verdot
- 814- Pinot Noir
- 815- Sangiovese
- 816- Super Tuscan
- 817- Syrah
- 818- Petit Sirah
- 819- Zinfandel
- 820- Red Blend
- 821- White Varietal not listed
- 822- Red Varietal not listed
- 823- Frizzante/Semi Sparkling
- 824- Rosé

Division 1090 – Fruit and Miscellaneous Wine

- 901- Apple
- 902- Apricot
- 903- Blackberry
- 904- Blueberry

- 905- Cherry
- 906- Cranberry
- 907- Olallieberry
- 908- Peach
- 909- Pear
- 910- Pomegranate
- 911- Plum
- 912- Raspberry
- 913- Strawberry
- 914- Fruit Wine, not listed
- 915- Mead
- 916- Mead, specify Flavor
- 917- Honey Wine
- 918- Honey Wine, specify Flavor
- 919- Fruit Flavored Grape Wine
- 920- Low Alcohol White Wine (<7%)
- 921- Low Alcohol Red Wine (<7%)
- 922- Non-Alcohol Cabernet Sauvignon
- 923- Non-Alcohol, Red Varietal not listed
- 924- Non-Alcohol Sparkling Wine
- 925- Non-Alcohol Chardonnay
- 926- Non-Alcohol Riesling
- 927- Non-Alcohol, White Varietal not listed
- 928- Non-Alcohol White Zinfandel
- 929- White Wine with Fruit
- 930- Wine Cocktails
- 931- Non-Alcohol, Wine Cocktail
- 932- Wine Based Spirit Substitutes
- 933- Draft Makgeolli
- 934- Makgeolli
- 935- Makgeolli, Flavored
- 936- Makegeolli, Carbonated
- 937- Sool
- 938- Sool, Flavored
- 939- Sool, Carbonated
- 940- Orange Wine
- 941- Hard Cider
- 942- Dessert Wine, Other

⁽¹⁾ Entries, after submitted, become property of the Los Angeles International Wine Competition

⁽²⁾ Entry fees are non-refundable