



SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL
WINE COMPETITION

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST in this year's San Francisco International Wine Competition! This document includes all the forms and instructions you will need to submit your entries.

The entry forms can be completed using your computer. Or, for even greater convenience, you may enter the Competition online at www.sfwinecomp.com.

If you have any questions, please call the Competition office at **+1(415) 345-9000**, or send an e-mail to info@sfwinecomp.com.

ELIGIBILITY AND CONDITIONS

1. Any commercial wine produced by a professional winery may be entered
2. There is no limit to the number of entries
3. No wine may be entered in the same year in more than one category
4. Wines entered in previous competitions are welcome
5. The Competition reserves the right to photograph any entry and reproduce it in catalogs, posters, publications or on our website, and in publicity issued by the Competition

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Awards will be made on a merit basis. The judges will not grant an award when, in their opinion, a entry is not worthy of an award.

TASTING COMPETITION:

- Each wine entry will, within reason and at the discretion of the Managing Director, be evaluated within a peer group of similar wines. However, the Competition reserves the right to recategorize wines in light of the number of entries received.

PACKAGING COMPETITION:

- Entries will be evaluated on the basis of creativity, impact, and execution. Judges will consider not only each designer's aesthetic choices but the effectiveness and appropriateness of the design within the context of the product and the brand.

**ALL ENTRY FORMS, FEES, AND SPIRITS
MUST BE RECEIVED
BY FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016**

AWARDS AND RESULTS

- Winners will be notified by e-mail during the week following the Competition
- All winners will be listed on the Competition's website

TASTING COMPETITION:

- All winners of Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Double Gold medals will receive award certificates and corresponding medallions
- Winners of our Best of Class premium awards will have their wines' labels embedded in clear acrylic awards
- Best of Nation winners will receive specially made award banners indicating their achievement
- Best in Show winners (Best Red, Best White, Best Sparkling, and Best Dessert Wine) will receive custom-etched glass award plates, as well as complimentary medallion artwork for use in their online and print promotions
- The Winery of the Year and Winemaker of the Year will each receive a fine etched-crystal award plate, specially created to commemorate the accomplishment, as well as complimentary medallion artwork
- A list of all 2016 Double Gold and Gold medal recipients, as well as recipients of all Best of Class, Best in Show, Best in Nation, Director's Award, Distillery of the Year, and Importer of the Year premium awards will be published in the August 2016 issue of *The SOMM Journal*

PACKAGING COMPETITION:

- Winners of Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Double Gold medals in both the Individual and Series divisions will receive printed award certificates, as well as high-resolution medallion image files for promoting the win in online or print promotions



CLASS CODES

WHITE TABLE WINES

- 100 Chardonnay
- 104 Chardonnay Blends
- 110 Sauvignon Blanc
- 111 Semillon
- 112 Pinot Blanc
- 113 Sauvignon Blanc/Semillon Blends
(SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- Chenin Blanc (SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 120 0.7% r.s. or below
- 121 0.71% r.s. or above
- Riesling, Johannisberg/White (SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 130 0.7% r.s. or below
- 131 0.71% r.s. or above
- 132 2% r.s. or above
- 133 6% r.s. or above
- Gewürztraminer (SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 140 0.7% r.s. or below
- 141 0.71% r.s. or above
- 142 2% r.s. or above
- 143 6% r.s. or above
- 150 Muscat
- 160 Viognier
- 161 Other White Rhône Varietals
(Roussanne, Marsanne)
- 162 White Rhône Blends (SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- 164 Pinot Gris / Pinot Grigio
- 166 White Italian Varietals (Vernaccia, Malvasia, Cortese, Grillo, Falanghina, Fiano, Arneis, Tocai, Vermentino, etc.)
- 167 White Italian Blends
(Soave, Trebbiano blends)
- 168 Spanish / Portuguese / Argentine Whites
(varietals and blends)
- Other White Varietals (Silvaner, Grüner Veltliner, Aligoté, Müller-Thurgau, Melon, Symphony, Colombard, etc.; SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 170 0.7% r.s. or below
- 171 0.71% r.s. or above
- 172 2% r.s. or above
- 173 6% r.s. or above
- Other White Blends (SEE RULES #1 & #3 BELOW)
- 175 0.7% r.s. or below
- 176 0.71% r.s. or above
- 185 Native American Whites
(Niagara, Muscadine, Scuppernong, etc.)
- White Hybrids
- 190 Seyval Blanc
- 191 Vignoles
- 192 Other Hybrid White Varietals
- 193 Hybrid White Blends
- 194 Late Harvest Hybrid Whites
(SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 195 Late Harvest Semillon and/or Sauvignon Blanc (above 2% r.s.; SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 196 Other Late Harvest Whites (SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 197 Ice Wine (all white varietals; SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 198 Passito (SEE RULE #3 BELOW)

RED TABLE WINES

- 200 Cabernet Sauvignon
- 202 Cabernet/Shiraz or Syrah Blends
(SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- 205 Premium Bordeaux Blends (\$25 & over)
(only blends of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec; SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- 206 Bordeaux Blends (under \$25)
(SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- 207 Premium Non-Bordeaux Blends (\$25 & over) (SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- 208 Non-Bordeaux Blends (under \$25)
(SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- 210 Merlot
- 211 Malbec
- 215 Cabernet Franc
- 217 Petit Verdot
- 218 Carménère
- 220 Zinfandel
- 221 Primitivo
- 230 Petite Sirah (Durif)
- 231 Syrah (Shiraz)
- 233 Mourvèdre
- 234 Grenache
- 235 Other Red Rhône Varietals
(Carignan, Cinsaut, Counoise, etc.)
- 236 Red Rhône Blends (SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- 239 Charbono
- 240 Pinot Noir
- 241 Chianti
- 242 Sangiovese
- 243 Sangiovese Blends
- 244 Nebbiolo (Barbaresco, Barolo)
- 245 Dolcetto
- 246 Barbera
- 250 Other Italian Reds (Aglianico, Aleatico, Brunello, Montepulciano, etc.)
- 255 Gamay Beaujolais
- 256 Gamay (all types)
- 257 Library Reds (SEE RULE #4 BELOW)
- 260 Tempranillo
- 261 Spanish / Portuguese / Argentine Reds
(varietals and blends)
- 263 Pinotage
- 265 Nouveau (all varietals)
- 270 Other Red Varietals (Blaufränkisch, Lemberger, Tannat, Touriga, etc.)
- 285 Native American Reds (Concord, etc.)
- 290 Hybrid Red Varietals
- 295 Hybrid Red Blends (SEE RULE #1 BELOW)
- 297 Sweet Reds (SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 298 Late Harvest Reds (SEE RULE #3 BELOW)
- 299 Ice Wine (all red varietals) (SEE RULE #1 BELOW)

BLANC DE NOIRS / BLUSH / ROSÉ WINES

- 300 Rosé Blends
- 310 Varietal Rosés
- 351 White Zinfandel
- 354 Other Varietal Blush Wines

SPARKLING WINES

- 400 Natural
- 410 Blanc de Blanc
- 420 Blanc de Noir
- 430 Brut
- 440 Extra Dry
- 445 Demi-Sec
- 450 Riesling/Muscat
- 460 Spumante
- 465 Prosecco
- 470 Rosé
- 475 Sparkling Red
- 480 Native American
- 485 Varietal Sparkling
- 490 Sparkling Fruit
- 495 Semi-Sparkling

FORTIFIED WINES

- Port
- 501 Vintage (from Portugal)
- 502 Late Bottled Vintage
- 503 Ruby
- 504 Tawny
- 505 Varietal
- 506 Other Ports
- Sherry
- 510 Fino (light & dry)
- 511 Amontillado (medium dry)
- 512 Oloroso (medium sweet)
- 513 Sweet & Cream
- 517 Other Fortified Wines (Madeira, etc.)

RICE BASE

- 650 Sake
- 651 Makkoli
- 652 Rice Wine

FRUIT WINES

- 670 Fruit Wine
- 675 Cider
- 680 Fruit Flavored
- 690 Fruit & Grape Blends

SPECIALTY WINES

- 700 Organic Wines
- 710 Biodynamic Wines
- 720 Kosher Wines
- 725 Honey Wine
- 730 Non-Alcoholic Wines

OTHER

- 800 Miscellaneous
- 810 Vermouth
- 815 Apéritifs (flavored, fortified)
- 817 Premixed Wine Cocktails
- 820 Grappa

CLASSIFICATION RULES

1. All blended wines must have varietal percentages indicated on the application form.
2. All varietal wines must contain at least 75% of the varietal, or it must be entered in a blend category.
3. All entries with residual sugar over 0.1% must have residual sugar % stated on the entry form.
4. Library wines are those that were in commercial release prior to June 1, 2008. Wines will be judged in age group categories.



IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CALL +1(415)345-9000

PLEASE READ ALL SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY TO ENSURE THE TIMELY ARRIVAL OF YOUR ENTRY

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY ALL INFORMATION **IN BOLD** IS REQUIRED: *Please keep a copy of this completed entry form for your records*

WINERY / COMPANY NAME _____

CONTACT NAME _____

TITLE / POSITION _____

WEBSITE _____

STREET ADDRESS OR P.O. BOX _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP / POSTAL CODE _____

COUNTRY _____

TELEPHONE _____ FAX NUMBER _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

REQUIRED FOR INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTS BEING SENT FROM OUTSIDE THE U.S.:

NAME OF U.S. IMPORTER _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

PLEASE CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE **NOT** USING YOUR U.S. IMPORTER

If you are not using your own importer, YOU MUST CONTACT OUR IMPORT PARTNER, Park Street Imports LLC, at competitions@parkstreet.com.

NOTE: THE COMPETITION IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPORT/DUTY FEES. ALL IMPORT FEES WILL BE BILLED BACK TO THE ENTRANT.

X

SIGNATURE (BY SIGNING, YOU CERTIFY THAT YOUR ENTRY MEETS ALL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, THAT YOU HAVE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS, AND THAT YOU AGREE TO ALL ENTRY TERMS AND CONDITIONS.) _____

If you are **NOT** enclosing a check, you may

- **FAX** this completed entry form and payment information to +1(415) 345-9090;
- **E-MAIL** them to info@sfwinecomp.com; or
- **ENTER ONLINE** at www.sfwinecomp.com.

2016 WINE ENTRY FEES
PLEASE COMPLETE:

× \$100 = \$

NUMBER OF ENTRIES (\$100 EACH) _____ TOTAL ENTRY FEES _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check one):

CHECK ENCLOSED

WIRE TRANSFER *(Please contact the Competition office for transfer instructions)*

CREDIT CARD:

CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____

EXPIRATION DATE _____ SECURITY CODE _____

NAME ON CARD _____

X

CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE _____

► **SEND ENTRY FORM and PAYMENT to:** San Francisco International Wine Competition, 401 Terry Francois Blvd., Suite 116, San Francisco, CA 94158 U.S.A.
Make your check payable to: **"SAN FRANCISCO COMPETITION"**

► **SHIP REQUIRED AMOUNT OF WINE (see Shipping Instructions) and a copy of this completed entry form to:**
San Francisco International Wine Competition Warehouse, Pier 50, Shed A, San Francisco, CA 94158 U.S.A.

FOR WAREHOUSE USE ONLY	CLASS CODE	VARIETY ON LABEL	VINTAGE (20XX)	WINERY NAME ON LABEL / URL (IF DIFFERENT FROM WINERY / COMPANY INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE)	SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS: (PROPRIETARY NAME, VINEYARD DESIGNATION, ETC.) FOR ALL BLENDS, % OF EACH VARIETAL IS REQUIRED	APPELLATION & COUNTRY OF ORIGIN	RESIDUAL SUGAR %	RETAIL PRICE
				WINERY NAME: WINE WEBSITE:				
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NOTE: IF NEEDED, PRINT MULTIPLE COPIES OF THIS FORM AND NUMBER THEM AT TOP OF PAGE (e.g., PAGE 1 OF 2, PAGE 2 OF 2). 0



2016 LABEL DESIGN COMPETITION **ENTRY FORM**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY
ALL INFORMATION IN BOLD IS REQUIRED:

THIS FORM IS FOR ENTRIES IN THE LABEL DESIGN COMPETITION ONLY
DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR ENTRIES IN THE TASTING COMPETITION

WINERY / COMPANY NAME			
CONTACT NAME		TITLE / POSITION	
STREET ADDRESS OR P.O. BOX			
CITY	STATE	ZIP / POSTAL CODE	COUNTRY
TELEPHONE		FAX NUMBER	
E-MAIL ADDRESS		WEB SITE	
REQUIRED FOR INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTS BEING SENT FROM OUTSIDE THE U.S.:			
NAME OF U.S. IMPORTER			
CITY		STATE	
<input type="checkbox"/> PLEASE CHECK HERE IF YOU ARE NOT USING YOUR U.S. IMPORTER If you are not using your own importer, YOU MUST CONTACT OUR IMPORT PARTNER, Park Street Imports LLC, at competitions@parkstreet.com. NOTE: THE COMPETITION IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPORT/DUTY FEES. ALL IMPORT FEES WILL BE BILLED BACK TO THE ENTRANT.			
X SIGNATURE (BY SIGNING, YOU CERTIFY THAT YOUR ENTRY MEETS ALL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, THAT YOU HAVE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS, AND THAT YOU AGREE TO ALL ENTRY TERMS AND CONDITIONS.)			

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- **E-MAIL** them to info@sfwinecomp.com; or
- **ENTER ONLINE** at www.sfwinecomp.com.

2016 LABEL DESIGN FEES
PLEASE COMPLETE:

	× \$25 =	\$	
NUMBER OF ENTRIES (\$25 EACH ENTRY)			SUBTOTAL FOR ENTRIES TO BE JUDGED INDIVIDUALLY
	× \$25 =	\$	
NUMBER OF SERIES (\$25 EACH SERIES)			SUBTOTAL FOR ENTRIES TO BE JUDGED AS A SERIES
TOTAL:			\$

METHOD OF PAYMENT (Check one):

CHECK ENCLOSED

WIRE TRANSFER
(Please contact the Competition office for transfer instructions)

CREDIT CARD:

CREDIT CARD NUMBER _____

EXPIRATION DATE _____ SECURITY CODE _____

NAME ON CARD _____

X

CARDHOLDER SIGNATURE _____

- ▶ **SEND ENTRY FORM and PAYMENT to:** San Francisco International Wine Competition, 401 Terry Francois Blvd., Suite 116, San Francisco, CA 94158 U.S.A.
Make your check payable to: **"SAN FRANCISCO COMPETITION"**
 - ▶ **SHIP WINE(S) and a copy of this completed entry form to:** San Francisco International Wine Competition Warehouse, Pier 50, Shed A, San Francisco, CA 94158 U.S.A.
- PLEASE READ ALL SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY TO ENSURE THE TIMELY ARRIVAL OF YOUR ENTRY**

FOR WAREHOUSE USE ONLY	DESIGN FIRM, DESIGNER(S), OR IN-HOUSE DEPARTMENT TO BE CREDITED FOR THE DESIGN	WINERY NAME ON LABEL OR NAME OF SERIES	VARIETY ON LABEL	VINTAGE (20XX)	SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS (PROPRIETARY NAME, VINEYARD DESIGNATION, ETC.)
ENTRY NO.	NAME(S):	<input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL ENTRY <input type="checkbox"/> SERIES ENTRY			
CLASS	COUNTRY:				
ENTRY NO.	NAME(S):	<input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL ENTRY <input type="checkbox"/> SERIES ENTRY			
CLASS	COUNTRY:				
ENTRY NO.	NAME(S):	<input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL ENTRY <input type="checkbox"/> SERIES ENTRY			
CLASS	COUNTRY:				
ENTRY NO.	NAME(S):	<input type="checkbox"/> INDIVIDUAL ENTRY <input type="checkbox"/> SERIES ENTRY			
CLASS	COUNTRY:				



SENDING FORMS AND PAYMENTS:

DO NOT SEND WINE WITH YOUR ENTRY FORM AND FEES.
See below for wine shipping instructions.

- The entry fee is \$100 per wine entered
- If you are entering both tasting and packaging competitions, one check may be issued for both and shipments may be combined
- Make your check payable to: **"SAN FRANCISCO COMPETITION"**
- Send your completed entry form and payment to:
San Francisco International Wine Competition
401 Terry Francois Blvd., Suite 116
San Francisco, CA 94158 U.S.A.
- If you are not paying by check, you may fax or e-mail your completed entry form and payment information:
FAX: +1 (415) 345-9090
E-MAIL: info@sfinewinecomp.com

NOTE: *Keep a copy of the completed entry form for your records*

SHIPPING WINE FROM WITHIN THE U.S.:

DO NOT SEND ENTRY FEES WITH YOUR WINE.
See above instructions for sending payments.

- **CAREFULLY PACK** the number of bottles required for your entries:

TASTING COMPETITION:

You must send **five (5) 750 ml bottles** per entry

DESIGN COMPETITION:

You must send **one (1) bottle** per Individual entry; for Series Entries, send **one (1) bottle of each product in the series**

- **WRITE** on the boxes:
"SAMPLE MATERIALS, NOT FOR RESALE. GLASS ENCLOSED."
For shipments of more than one box, mark each box:
"BOX 1 OF 4," "BOX 2 OF 4," etc.
- **SEND** your wine shipment to:
San Francisco International Wine Competition Warehouse
Pier 50, Shed A
San Francisco, CA 94158
PHONE: (415) 345-9000

**ALL ENTRY FORMS, FEES, AND WINE
MUST BE RECEIVED BY
FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016**

SHIPPING WINE FROM OUTSIDE THE U.S.:

If you are using your U.S. importer, they should follow the above instructions for domestic shipping.

If you are NOT using a U.S. importer, you MUST contact our import partner, Park Street Imports LLC, to avoid shipping delays and unnecessary customs charges.

THE SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL WINE COMPETITION IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR CUSTOMS DUTY CHARGES OR FEES

Park Street will assist you in obtaining all necessary import documentation and supply you with detailed instructions for properly preparing and labeling your shipment.

DO NOT SHIP YOUR WINE UNTIL YOU RECEIVE IMPORT DOCUMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS FROM PARK STREET

Please contact Lauren Isern at Park Street Imports, via e-mail or telephone:

PHONE: +1 (305) 967-7440 ext. 563
E-MAIL: competitions@parkstreet.com

Park Street Imports is NOT a customs broker. It is a U.S.-approved alcohol importer who will provide entrants with the documentation required by the U.S. to import samples. Park Street will work with DHL, FedEx, or a third-party customs broker to get your product cleared and delivered to the Competition on time.