

Dates for the Diary

UPCOMING FESTIVALS

HONG KONG 15-17 November, 2024 (Asia Pacific)

If you are looking for an energetic and exciting festival programme then Hong Kong will not disappoint with its host of high profile venues. A gourmet post-tour to Macau (17-19 November) is also planned. Go to <https://www.iwfs.org/festivals/hong-kong-festival-2024> to find out more. Last few places remaining.

RIOJA 20-25 May 2025 (Europe Africa)

We are heading back to Spain this time to discover the wines, food, culture and history of the Rioja region of Spain. Go to the webpage to find out more <https://www.iwfs.org/europe-africa/eaz-major-events/rioja-festival> (currently on waitlist).

BRANCH EVENTS FOR THE DIARY

UK Bath & Bristol 11 October 2024

AGM at The Carpenters Arms, Stanton Drew starting at 6.15pm. Contact Leonie Allday for details chair.bathbristoliwfs@gmail.com

UK Devonshire 17 October 2024

Join us for dinner at Rodean Restaurant in Kenton, near Powderham Castle, Exeter. Contact Geeta Lloyd at geetalloyd@gmail.com for details.

UK Capital 18 & 19 October 2024

Unwined: Tasting and Talking Oz Clarke and Hannah Crosbie. A fun and informative event to demystify the world of wine and its history with stars of the wine world. Merton Arts Space at Wimbledon Library, Compton Rd, London. Go to <https://www.iwfs.capital/events-1> for details and times.

UK Capital 23 October 2024

For Goodness Sake! Join us for this exploratory tasting of a range of saké styles and many questions to be answered. Is it rice wine or beer? How is it made? Should it be served warm or cold? Etc etc. Venue: Saké Collective, London, E1 from 18.30-21.30. Go to <https://www.iwfs.capital/events-1> to find out more.

UK West Yorkshire 26 October 2024

Romanian Wine & Food in Bardsey Village Hall. Contact Sue Timme at suetimme@gmail.com for details.

UK London 31 October 2024

Our first visit to the elegant French Restaurant, Cigalon, Chancery Lane at midday. Popular with highflying city workers and foodies alike. This lunch menu promises seasonal autumnal ingredients bursting with flavour from the French countryside, plus carefully curated wine pairings. Crémant on arrival, limited spaces. See www.iwfs.london for further details

UK London & Capital branches 19 November 2024

Pinot Noir Video – launch event starting at 6.30 pm at Information Technologists, London
Capital and London branches jointly invite you to a screening of the first IWFS video masterclass – Pinot Noir Around the World. The video stars Anne Krebiehl, a renowned Master of Wine who is a world expert on pinot noir. The video and tasting will be preceded by a delicious glass of bubbly

(blanc de noir, of course!) and accompanied by an assortment of cold and warm nibbles. Join us for an educational, uplifting and delicious evening! See www.iwfs.london for further details or contact: iwfscapital@gmail.com

UK Devonshire 26 November 2024

We are heading to the Royal Torbay Yacht Club, Torquay for dinner. Contact Geeta Lloyd at geetalloyd@gmail.com for details.

UK London 26 November 2024

Christmas Dinner at the Baker's Hall starting at 6.30 pm. Join us for an evening of fine food and wine in this prestigious venue and one of London's best livery halls. See www.iwfs.london for further details

UK Merseyside & Mid Cheshire 28 November 2024

Black-tie Dinner at Aspire, Trafford College. Contact Hilary Rylands at hilaryrylands@talktalk.net for details.

UK West Yorkshire 30 November 2024

Canapés for Christmas & AGM at [Bardsey Village Hall](#). Contact Sue Timme at suetimme@gmail.com for details.

UK Bath & Bristol 1 December 2024

Christmas Lunch at 12.20 pm – venue to be confirmed. Contact Leonie Allday for details chair.bathbristoliwfs@gmail.com

UK Manchester 1 December 2024

Christmas Lunch at Manchester Hall – an historic venue in the centre of the city. Contact Chris Redman at cdredman@talktalk.net for details.

UK Capital 2 December 2024

Budget or Bougie? Is it worth paying more? We will be conducting a head-to-head budget v bougie blind tasting of various bubbly, white and red wine styles. Find out which wines are worth the money! Venue: Royal Air Force Club, London from 18:30 – 21:30. Go to <https://www.iwfs.capital/events-1> to find out more.

UK Sussex 12 December 2024

Black tie dinner at Ockenden Manor Hotel, Cuckfield. Contact Lesley Berry at iwfs_sussex@yahoo.co.uk for details.

UK Devonshire 19 December 2024

A dinner at The Linny, Coffinswell – set in a beautiful thatched building dating back to the 14th century. Contact Geeta Lloyd at geetalloyd@gmail.com for details.

Looking ahead to 2025

UK Devonshire 23 January 2025

An Italian focus with dinner at Bianco's, Torquay. Contact Geeta Lloyd at geetalloyd@gmail.com for details.

UK Devonshire 19 February 2025

Old Vienna, Torquay for dinner with the best produce of the season with that Austrian touch! Contact Geeta Lloyd at geetalloyd@gmail.com for details.