



The International Wine & Food Society
IWFS Americas Inc.

Presents

PARIS & BORDEAUX WINE FESTIVAL

April 16 - 25, 2020

120 People



WELCOME

Dear International Wine & Food Society Member,

IWFS Americas Inc. invites you to join members from around the world for three days of culture and haute cuisine in **Paris** followed by six days exploring the wine regions of **Bordeaux**.

PARIS, FRANCE needs no introduction. It's synonymous with food, culture, fashion, and architecture, rarely disappointing those who visit. To truly understand Paris, you have to immerse yourself in the city's artistic culture. Beyond the Louvre and the Musée d'Orsay, you can get your culture fix at the renovated Picasso Museum and the new La Fondation Louis Vuitton, not to mention dozens of small museums and galleries.



DAY 1

Thursday, April 16



Hotel Mandarin Oriental, Paris



Le Laurent



Arrival, Welcome Reception & Gala Dinner

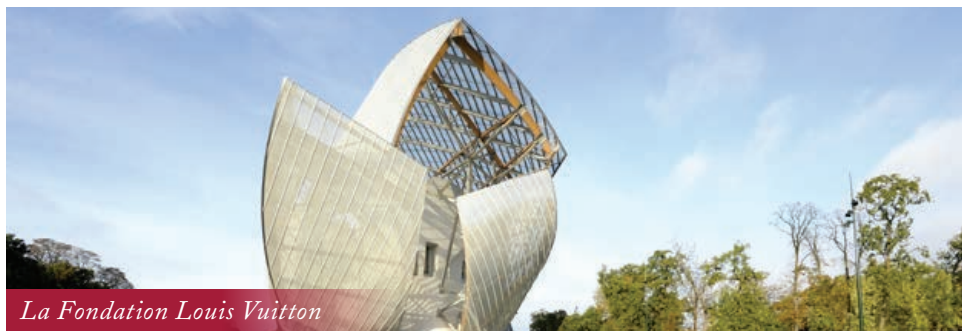
- ▶ Check in at the Hotel Mandarin Oriental,
251 Rue Saint-Honoré, Paris.
- ▶ Welcome Black Tie Gala Dinner and Reception
at Le Laurent, a Michelin-starred restaurant.

DAY 2

Friday, April 17

Private Visit to La Fondation Louis Vuitton, Lunch Cruise on the Seine & Dinner Show At Le Lido

► Private tour of **La Fondation Louis Vuitton**: In 2006, at the behest of Bernard Arnault, the LVMH group created La Fondation Louis Vuitton. Designed by the American architect Frank Gehry, it falls in line with the Groups' efforts to promote art and culture over the last 20 years. A private cultural initiative, La Fondation Louis Vuitton's aim is to promote and support contemporary artistic creation for a wide French and international audience. This great architectural exploit has already taken its place among the iconic works of 21st-century architecture.



Cruise lunch on a private yacht discovering Paris... from the river!

► Enjoy a 3-hour cruise along the River Seine on board a private chartered river boat which will sail past many of the city's most famous buildings and monuments including the Eiffel Tower, Grand Palais, Assemblée Nationale and Musée D'Orsay. It will sail around the Ile de la Cité upon which rests Notre Dame, which was sadly damaged by fire a few weeks ago. Lunch will be served on board.



DAY 2

Friday, April 17



Dinner Show at Le Lido, Famous Parisian Cabaret

► An ode to a Paris of sparkling lights and glittering feathers. Welcome to the Paris Merveilles revue, the new show from director Franco Dragone. Sensual, intimate, elegant and spectacular, this waking dream will take your breath away and leave you dazzled. A fantastic whirlwind of technological wizardry led along by the most beautiful girls in the world. Queue-cutter access & greeting and privileged seating for one of the most renowned Parisian cabaret. Enjoy the show while savoring a refined 3-course menu served with Champagne Ruinart or Taittinger. A once in a lifetime experience, an unforgettable moment.

DAY 3

Saturday, April 18



Musée du Louvre



Musée Picasso



Panthéon

Tour Museums of Paris

► Enjoy a free day to explore the museums and art galleries of Paris using *The Paris Pass*. This is a pass card which allows you unlimited free transport on Le Metro and buses and provides free access to no less than 50 cultural institutions, including Musée Du Louvre, Musée D'Orsay, Musée Picasso and Musée Rodin.

DAY 3

Saturday, April 18



Parisienne Haute Cuisine

► We will divide into three groups and indulge in a gastronomic dinner at one of the following 3 Michelin Star restaurants—Le Pavillon Ledoyen, Guy Savoy or Le Pré Catelan.

DAY 4

Sunday, April 19

Transfer on the TGV to Bordeaux

- ▶ Luggage will be collected at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel and delivered directly to your hotel room in Bordeaux.
- ▶ Breakfast will be served in a private room, after which you will go by bus to Gare Montparnasse.
 - ▶ Board the train for the two hour high speed journey to Bordeaux-St. Jean.



Place de la Bourse



Gare Montparnasse Trains

Bordeaux Tour Begins Today

▶ **Bordeaux City** is the centre of the greatest fine-wine region in the World. After a 15-year full makeover, Bordeaux, with its blonde stone façades, has recovered its 18th-century splendor, confirmed by the historic city centre's recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Besides being the World Capital of Wine, Bordeaux has become an attractive city offering a fine lifestyle, classic and contemporary architectural gems as well as a lively gastronomy.

DAY 4

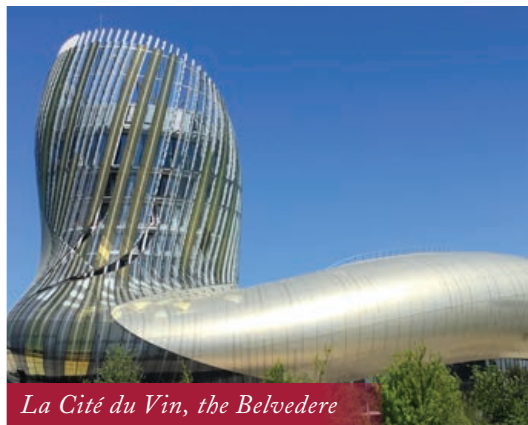
Sunday, April 19

Arrival & Welcome Dinner

- Check in to the InterContinental Bordeaux – Le Grand Hôtel, located in the heart of the city at 2-5 Place de la Comédie.
- Afternoon: Free Time in Bordeaux
- Visit the Interactive Museum: La Cité du Vin
- Welcome dinner at Belvédère of La Cité du Vin with its President, Sylvie Cazes.



Intercontinental Bordeaux Le Grand Hôtel



La Cité du Vin, the Belvedere

VISIT LA CITÉ DU VIN

A unique place devoted to the cultures of wine – opened in 2016

➤ Embark on an immersive, sensory adventure to discover the cultures and civilizations of wine. In an open exhibition space occupying more than 3,000 m², nearly twenty different themed areas invite you to take a voyage of discovery and enjoy a unique experience exploring the many and varied facets of wine across time and space. A visit to the permanent exhibit also includes the travel companion, a free, innovative tool available in eight languages. Access La Cité du Vin's Belvedere on the 8th floor, where you will discover a 360° view of Bordeaux. Discover a magical location, a 'library cellar' with more than 14,000 bottles and 800 wines from more than 70 countries across the globe!



PERSONAL WELCOME

By Sylvie Cazes

► A leading woman in Bordeaux wine industry, Sylvie Cazes is President of La Cité du Vin (Fondation pour la Culture et les Civilisations du Vin).

She is also the joint owner of Château Lynch-Bages, Grand Cru Classé in Pauillac, owner of Château Chauvin, Grand Cru Classé in Saint-Émilion, of gastronomic restaurant Le Chapon Fin and wine tour agency Bordeaux Saveurs.

She will present the city, the vineyard and your itinerary. Enjoy this unique moment in her company!



La Cité du Vin, the Belvedere

WELCOME DINNER

La Cité du Vin Belvédère

► From its height of 35 meters, on the 8th floor of La Cité du Vin, the Belvedere invites visitors to discover the city from another perspective, like a watchtower. In this spot overlooking the river at the top of the iconic building you can admire Bordeaux, its city and surroundings, spreading out around you from all sides.

A monumental chandelier made of thousands of bottles and a 10-metre-long oak counter enhance the uniqueness of the place, specially privatized for your first dinner in the city.

DAYS 5-8

Monday, April 20 - Thursday, April 23

► During each of these four days, we will be divided into four groups of thirty (30). Each group will visit the following regions and vineyards:



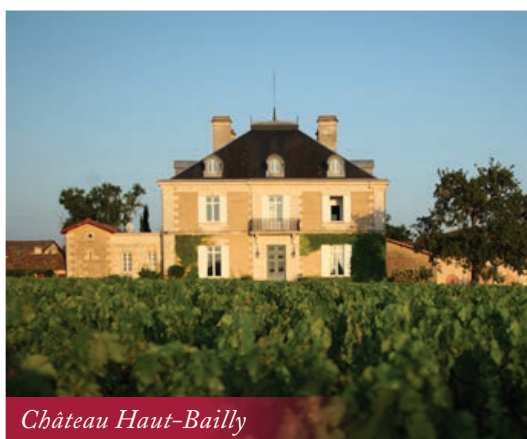
Château Haut-Brion



Château La Mission Haut-Brion



Château d'Yquem



Château Haut-Bailly

► **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.

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Château Kirwan

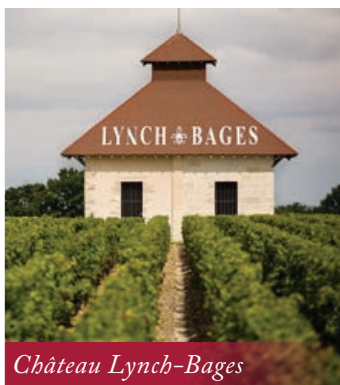


Château Lafite-Rothschild

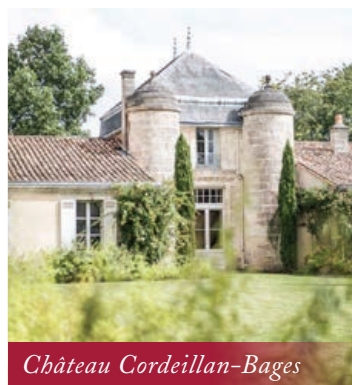
► **MARGAUX and PAUILLAC:** Cooking class, cellar visit and lunch at Château Kirwan. Cellar visit and tasting at Château Lafite-Rothschild.



Château Mouton-Rothschild



Château Lynch-Bages



Château Cordeillan-Bages

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

DAYS 5-8

Monday, April 20 - Thursday, April 23



Saint-Émilion



Château de Ferrand



Château Cheval Blanc

➤ **SAINT-ÉMILION:** Blending workshop, buffet lunch and cellar visit at Château de Ferrand. Private Guided Visit of the Medieval Village of Saint-Émilion. Cellar visit and tasting at Château Cheval Blanc.

➤ Your guide will take you through the medieval cobblestones streets, from the city's ramparts to the heart of the ancient monasteries.

➤ He will explain the background of Saint-Émilion's unique underground monuments. The tour covers several centuries of history and legends from the time of the monk Émilion to the carving out of the amazing monolithic church. You will be able to see paintings in the Chapelle de la Trinité and learn the secrets of the catacombs. This visit to four major monuments amounts to a condensed history of Saint-Émilion!

DINNERS DAY 5-6

Monday, April 20 & Tuesday, April 21



Le Chapon Fin

► **Day 5:** Dinner at historic restaurant Le Chapon Fin in Bordeaux city centre and walking distance from the hotel.



Le Saint-James

► **Day 6:** Tuesday April 21st Dinner at Saint-James gastronomic restaurant (1 Michelin star), offering a panoramic view over Bordeaux.

DINNERS DAY 7-8

Wednesday, April 22 & Thursday, April 23



Le Pressoir d'Argent

► **Day 7 & 8:** We will divide into two groups of sixty and indulge in gastronomic dinners at Le Pressoir d'Argent and La Grand'Vigne, both of which are 2 Michelin Star restaurants.



La Grand'Vigne

DAY 9

Friday, April 24

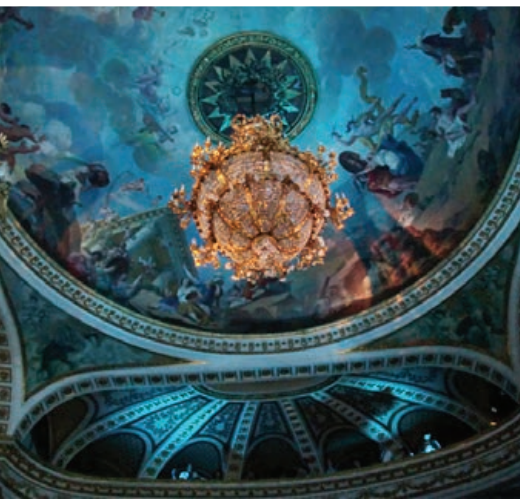
► André Simon Lecture, followed by an afternoon to explore the City. The Festival will conclude with a Reception and Black Tie Gala Dinner at Bordeaux Opera House.

André Simon Lecture Given by Jane Anson: Jane Anson has lived in Bordeaux since 2003 and is author of *Wine Revolution* (Quarto 2017), *The Club of Nine* (Katz Publishing 2016) *Angélus* (Editions de la Martiniere, 2016) and *Bordeaux Legends, a history of the 1855 First Growth wines* (Stewart, Tabori & Chang, 2013), as well as co-author or translator of over a dozen wine and travel books including *Lynch Bages & Cie* by JM Cazes (Glenat 2015) and the *Michelin Guide to the Wine Regions of France* (Michelin Publications 2010). She is Bordeaux correspondent and columnist for *Decanter* magazine and has won several awards for her writing, including the Prix Baron Philippe de Rothschild, Louis Roederer Wine Feature Writer of the Year, OIV Jury Prize and Born Digital Best Editorial. She is a graduate of the DUAD tasting diploma with the Bordeaux Institute of Oenology and an accredited wine teacher at the Bordeaux Ecole du Vin, with a Masters in publishing from University College London. She is currently working on the definitive guide to Bordeaux wines, to be released in Spring 2020.



DAY 9

Friday, April 24



- Exceptional Black Tie Gala Dinner at Bordeaux Opéra House and most emblematic monument: Grand Théâtre de Bordeaux.

DAY 10

Saturday, April 25

Departure

- ▶ Breakfast at your hotel and check-out.
- ▶ Individual transfers to the station or the airport with private drivers.



\$9,850 per person

Initial Deposit Due Upon Registration.....	\$2,500
Second Payment Due Oct 1, 2019.....	\$4,500
Final Payment Due Jan 10, 2020.....	\$2,850

[Click Link to View and Register for Paris & Bordeaux Wine Festival.](#)

All deposits are refundable for seven days from date of deposit. No refunds will be made after that date. We suggest you purchase trip cancellation insurance if you believe there is any possibility you may not attend.

Airfare and Hotel accommodations are not included in the festival price.

All attendees must register and stay at the Mandarin Oriental in Paris and InterContinental Bordeaux – Le Grand Hotel.

We reserve the right to make changes to any parts of this Paris & Bordeaux Wine Festival.