



EDMONTON 2020 HIGHLIGHTS

The wine event of the year is back! The World of Wine Awaits at Winefest Edmonton. Sip and sample an incredible selection of over 300 wines from more than 60 wineries across the globe, paired with an assortment of delectable hors d'oeuvres. Here are a few of our Festival favourites in 2020.

WINE:

- **Culmina Wines** – This family-owned wine estate has been producing beloved wines out of the South Okanagan Valley of British Columbia since 2007. Culmina, comes from Latin and translates to peak or apex. This reflects its quest to cultivate the highest possible quality of wine from its outstanding vineyard in BC. New to Winefest this year, be sure to give its delectable sips at try at this year's event.
- **Kolonist Wines** – Get ready to wow your taste buds with these Ukrainian wines that are available in North America for the first time ever! The principal winemaker, Oliver Dauga, is from the Bordeaux region and has not only built quite the name for himself in the wine world, but is also known for his wild style, and rugby-playing past. Two of its wines, Odessa Black and Sukholymanske, are made with grapes indigenous to the Black Sea Danubian region of Bessarabian. You do not want to miss treating your palate to these remarkable wines this year.
- **Spirit Hills Winery** – Some may say that this honey wine is the bee's knees. Hailing from the Rocky Mountain Foothills area, these honey wines get alcohol content by fermenting honey instead of sweet grape juice. These delectable sips can range from entirely dry to sangria sweet and are a must-try.
- **Jost Vineyards** – Think all great Canadian wine comes from the west? Think again! Jost Vineyards is nestled in the beautiful Northumberland shores of Nova Scotia. This is the longest standing winery in Nova Scotia and produces remarkable quality wine including its Rosé Selkie Frizzante and Selkie Frizzante which will be appearing at Winefest 2020. Be sure to give these delectable bubbles a taste!
- **Corkbeard Winery** – Yes, its wines are as tasty and as fun as they sound! The name Corkbeard comes from family gatherings years ago where the young family members would burn the end of the wine corks and draw beards on each other. The folks behind Corkbeard believe that wine should taste good and create memories. This well-known wine company continues to wow us with its delectable sips and will be serving up some delicious samples at this year's event!

- **Spier Wine Farms** – Take a trip around the world and discover new wine favourites, all with one ticket. Spier farm dates back to 1692 where it was first established as a wine farm in South Africa. This remarkable winery not only believes in the quality of its wine, but also the environment, by recycling 95% of the waste they produce. Try Spier sips and learn more about its positive social and environmental impact at this year's event!

FOOD:

- **The Edmonton Convention Centre** will be offering a selection of palate-pleasing hors d'oeuvres including Cajun Prawn with Mango Salsa, Churro served with Soft Serve Ice Cream, and more. Serge Belair is an award-winning Executive Chef, so you can trust when we say these bites will have you on cloud nine.
- **Buttery Bites Caramels** will be serving handcrafted caramels to stimulate your taste buds.
- **The Old School Cheesery** will be sampling a variety of artisan cheeses that make the perfect pairing with the array of wine samples.
- **Duzu Dates** will be serving up chocolate covered dates that are bound to wow your taste buds. You may just find your new guilty pleasure that you won't have to feel too guilty about.
- **Kampot Spice Company** will be delighting guests with rice crackers served with cream cheese and its delectable pepper.

SPECIAL FEATURES:

- **Liquor Connect** makes finding your new wine discoveries easy. Download its app or visit [LiquorConnect.com](https://www.liquorconnect.com) to find where your favourite wines are sold in Alberta. Stop by the booth to enter to win a \$100 restaurant gift card, along with two tickets to the 2021 Winefest Edmonton Saturday Afternoon Session.
- Winefest values the importance of **giving back** to the community. All guests are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item or monetary donation for the Edmonton Food Bank. Guests who make a donation will be given a special prize ballot to be entered to win a \$100 [Sobeys](https://www.sobeys.com) and [Safeway](https://www.safeway.com) Liquor gift card or two tickets to the 2021 Winefest Saturday Afternoon Session. Winefest will once again make every donation go further by contributing \$1 for every pound of food donated. Last year, Winefest raised nearly \$1,500 and collected 373 pounds of food to help those in need.
- **The People's Choice Awards** are back for Winefest 2020! Guests are encouraged to swirl, sip, then vote for their favourite wines. The People's Choice Awards will crown the crowd's top picks in various price categories, creating a go-to list of spectacular wines for every budget and palate. Share your experiences on social media using #peopleschoiceawards and @Winefest. One lucky voter will win a \$100 Sobeys and Safeway Liquor gift card.