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2008 Trade Calendar

(updated July 14, 2008)

- July**
- 2 WED **Piedmont Wine Tasting** (2:30 p.m.; Grano, 2035 Yonge Street, Toronto; A guided tasting of wines from five estates from the Region of Piedmont which are actively seeking representation in the Ontario marketplace) -- Piero Titone, Italian Trade Commission, 416-598-1566, Ext. 108, piero.titone.toronto@ice.it
- 9 WED **Traveling the Wine Routes of Italy** (5-6:30 p.m.; DiVino Wine Studio, 225 Preston Street, Ottawa) -- Antonio Mauriello, 613-221-9760, info@divinowinestudio.com, www.divinowinestudio.com
- 10 THU **Boys' Night Out** (The Fermenting Cellar, Distillery Historic District, 55 Mill Street, Toronto; Benefitting prostate cancer research at Princess Margaret Hospital) -- Craig de Blois, Lifford Wine Agency, 416-440-4101, raig@liffordwineagency.com, www.liffordwineagency.com, or Pauline Fortier, 416-466-7049, paulinefortier@sympatico.ca
- 11 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages August 16 release**
- 16 WED **American Society for Enology & Viticulture (Eastern Section) 2008 Annual Conference** (Four Points by Sheraton St. Catharines Niagara Suites, Niagara-on-the-Lake; Keynote speaker is Olivier Humbrecht, Domaine Zind Humbrecht, the first Master of Wine in France) -- Nancy Long, 315-787-2288, npl1@cornell.edu
- 17 THU **The 2008 Riesling Experience** (9 a.m.-3 p.m.; Brock University, St. Catharines; Keynote speaker Olivier Humbrecht, a producer from Alsace, will provide a tutored tasting of four of his wines) -- Barb Tatarnic, 905-688-5550, ccovi@brocku.ca, www.rieslingexperience.com
- 17 THU **Vintages "Three Evenings to Remember" Dinner & Wine Concert Series** (6:30-7 p.m., Reception; 7 p.m., Dinner & Concert; Hôtel Le Germain Toronto, 30 Mercer Street, Toronto; Featuring Luis Mario Ochoa Quintet) -- Mark Moffat, Hôtel Le Germain Toronto, 416-883-3437
- 18 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting General List items**
- 25 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages August 30 release**
- 25 FRI **Women in Wine III - For Women Only!** (5-7 p.m.; DiVino Wine Studio, 225 Preston Street, Ottawa) -- Jay Hunt, National Capital Sommelier Guild, 613-521-6839, jay.hunt@sommelierguild.com, www.sommelierguild.com
- August**
- 8 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages September 13 release**
- 15 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting General List items**
- 22 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages September 27 release**
- 26 TUE **Summer Dining with California Wines!** (6 p.m., Reception; 6:30 p.m., Dinner; Bayne-Morrison House, 40 Fuller Street, Ottawa) -- Jay Hunt, National Capital Sommelier Guild, 613-521-6839, jay.hunt@sommelierguild.com, www.sommelierguild.com
- 28 THU **Vintages "Three Evenings to Remember" Dinner & Wine Concert Series** (6:30-7 p.m., Reception; 7 p.m., Dinner & Concert; Hôtel Le Germain Toronto, 30 Mercer Street, Toronto; Featuring Diana Pantou with Don Thompson and Reg Schwager) -- Mark Moffat, Hôtel Le Germain Toronto, 416-883-3437
- September**
- 5 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages October 11 release**
- 6 SAT **Shores of Erie International Wine Festival** (2 p.m.; Amherstburg/Fort Malden National Historic Site of Canada, Amherstburg, Ontario) -- Kelly O'Rourke, 519-730-1001, info@soewinefestival.com, www.soewinefestival.com
- 8 MON **OIWSBA Annual Golf Tournament & Dinner** (10:30 a.m. Registration; 12 noon Tee-Off; 6 p.m. Dinner; Carlisle Golf & Country Club, 523 Carlisle Road, Carlisle; 10 minutes north of Burlington; 45 minutes from Toronto) -- Ian Campbell, OIWSBA, 416-699-9535, ian.campbell@oiwsba.com
- 8 MON **Grapes for Humanity's "The Great Re-Stock Your Cellar" Event** (6-8:30 p.m.; The Miller Tavern, 3885 Yonge Street, Toronto; A cash-and-carry-a-case event; A \$50 entry fee will entitle you to a wine tasting and food. A \$250 ticket will entitle you to draw a number for a case of wine. Kristin Card, 416-975-8575, kcard@lyonsgroup.ca
- 9 TUE **Vintages Grant Burge Tasting (Unstructured, walk around) and Dinner** (Time/Venue t.b.a.; Ottawa) -- LCBO Vintages Sales and Service Centre, 416-365-5767, 1-800-266-4764
- 11 THU **Vintages Torbreck Tasting (Unstructured, walk around) and Dinner** (Time t.b.a.; Barberian's Steakhouse and Tavern, 7 Elm Street, Toronto) -- LCBO Vintages Sales and Service Centre, 416-365-5767, 1-800-266-4764
- 12 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting General List items**
- 13 SAT **Bobcaygeon Wine & Food Festival** (12-7:30 p.m.; Kawartha Settlers' Village, Bobcaygeon; A tasting festival of imported and domestic wines, beers & foods from local caterers & restaurants) -- Margaret Kupusa, 705-738-2202, mkupusa@sympatico.ca, www.bobcaygeonwinefestival.com
- 19 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages October 25 release**
- 22 MON **Languedor Roussillon Mini Expo** (2-5 p.m.; Currie Hall, Canada's National Ballet School, 105 Maitland Street, Toronto) -- Ann-Marie Koumettou, Sopexa Canada, 416-921-8400, Ext. 2008, annmarie.koumettou@sopexa.com
- 24 WED **Vintages Henry of Pelham Reception and Dinner** (Time t.b.a.; Chez Victor Restaurant, Hotel Le Germain, 30 Mercer Street, Toronto) -- LCBO Vintages Sales and Service Centre, 416-365-5767, 1-800-266-4764
- 25 THU **OIWSBA Members' Meeting** (8:30 Breakfast, 9 a.m. Meeting; Ballroom, Boulevard Club, 1491 Lakeshore Boulevard West, Toronto; Guest speaker t.b.a.) -- Ian Campbell, OIWSBA, 416-699-9535, ian.campbell@oiwsba.com

- 30 TUE **Profile Wine Group (Barrique, VinVino, DuChasse) Annual Portfolio Tasting** (2-9 p.m.; Liberty Grand Entertainment Complex, 25 British Columbia Road, Exhibition Place, Toronto) -- John Turco, 416-598-0033, Ext. 223, jturco@profilewinegroup.com, www.profilewinegroup.com
- 30 TUE **Companions of the Quaich Scotch Tasting** (6 p.m. Reception; 6:15 p.m. Address to the Haggis; The Old Winery Restaurant, 2228 Niagara Stone Road, Niagara-on-the-Lake) -- Neil Middleton, Companions of the Quaich, 905-468-0802, nmiddleton@cogeco.ca
- October**
- 1 WED **Chilean Wine & Food Festival** (2-4:30 p.m., Trade Tasting by invitation only; 7-9:30 p.m., Consumer Tasting; Fermenting Cellar, Distillery Historic District, 55 Mill Street, Toronto) -- Sandy Kurbis, 416-398-3335, Ext. 2, tickets@forefrontcom.com, www.winesofchile.ca
- 3 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages November 8 release**
- 8 WED **Vintages Chile Trio Structured Tasting and Dinner** (Venue/Time t.b.a.; Toronto; Featuring Eduardo Chadwick, Alexandra Lapostolle and Aurelio Montes) -- LCBO Vintages Sales and Service Centre, 416-365-5767, 1-800-266-4764
- 10 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting General List items**
- 17 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages November 22 release**
- 20 MON **Jadot Gala Dinner** (Presented by Lifford Wine Agency in association with Grapes for Humanity; Toronto venue t.b.a. -- Donations of wine readily accepted for the silent auction) -- Tony Aspler, tony.aspler@sympatico.ca
- 23 THU **APVSA Tasting Event** (10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Delta Chelsea Hotel, 33 Gerrard Street West, Toronto; A Wines and Spirits Marketing Association in North America event featuring French, Italian, Spanish, Australian wineries seeking representation in the Ontario marketplace) -- Pascal Fernand, APVSA, 514-844-0165, p.fernand@apvsa.ca, www.apvsa.ca
- 23 THU **Vintages Haut Brion Structured Tasting and Dinner** (Time t.b.a.; Splendido Restaurant, 88 Harbord Street, Toronto) - LCBO Vintages Sales and Service Centre, 416-365-5767, 1-800-266-4764
- 24 FRI **Whisky Live** (4-10 p.m.; Hall G, Metro Toronto Convention Centre, 255 Front Street West, Toronto) -- Damian Riley-Smith, Paragraph Publishing Ltd., + 44 1603 633 808, www.whiskylive.com
- 24-26 FRI **Vintages Wine Auction** (Ritchies Auction House, 288 King Street East, Toronto) -- John Miller, Ritchies, 416-364-3902, jmiller@ritchies.com
- 29 WED **Vintages Wine 101** (6 p.m., Reception; 6:30-9 p.m., Tasting; Fairmont Chateau Laurier, 1 Rideau Street, Ottawa) -- LCBO Vintages Sales and Service Centre, 416-365-5767, 1-800-266-4764
- 31 FRI **LCBO Lab tasting Vintages December 6 release**
- November**
- 3 MON **Mini French Wine Connection** (Toronto; Time/Venue details t.b.a.; Featuring French wines not yet available in the Ontario market) -- Aude Guivarch, Embassy of France, French Economic Commission, 416-977-1257, Ext. 220, aude.guivarch@missioneco.org
- 3 MON **ICE Annual Wine Tasting** (11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Trade Tasting; 7-10 p.m., Consumer Tasting; Roy Thomson Hall, 60 Simcoe Street, Toronto; Supporting the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario) -- Benedetta Marassi, Italian Trade Commission, 416-598-1566, benedetta.marassi.toronto@ice.it
- 4-5 TUE **Mini French Wine Connection** (Calgary; Time/Venue details t.b.a.; Featuring French wines not yet available in the Ontario market) -- Aude Guivarch, Embassy of France, French Economic Commission, 416-977-1257, Ext. 220, aude.guivarch@missioneco.org
- 5 WED **ICE Annual Wine Tasting** (10:15 a.m. - 5 p.m., Trade Tasting; 350 Saint-Paul Street, Montreal) -- Benedetta Marassi, Italian Trade Commission, 416-598-1566, benedetta.marassi.toronto@ice.it
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- 20-23 THU **Gourmet Food & Wine Expo** (Metro Toronto Convention Centre, South Building, Exhibit Hall D, 222 Bremner Boulevard, Toronto; Network with industry leaders, colleagues and media; Sample the finest wines, beers and spirits; Discover the latest culinary trends) -- Jennifer Campbell, Town Media, 1-866-414-0454, Ext. 309, jennifer@townmedia.ca, www.foodandwineexpo.ca
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- December**
- 6-7 SAT **Vintages Wine Auction** (Ritchies Auction House, 288 King Street East, Toronto) -- John Miller, Ritchies, 416-364-3902, jmiller@ritchies.com
- 18 THU **OIWSBA Holiday Luncheon** (The Albany Club, 91 King Street East, Toronto; Open to OIWSBA Members and industry guests) -- Ian Campbell, OIWSBA, 416-699-9535, ian.campbell@oiwsba.com, www.oiwsba.com