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8th Edition - “2020 CHINA’S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR AWARDS” are now open !

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“Leading experts from China and around the world come together each year to seek out and recognise and reward greater China’s Best Wine Lists”!



2019 China Wine List of the Year Awards - Winners

AWARDS BACKGROUND

Established in 1994, the Wine List of the Year Awards were introduced by Tucker Seabrook (Established 1838) to recognise and reward the best quality wine lists each year in particular regions and countries.

In 2012, Rob Hirst of Tucker Seabrook, the founders of the Wine List of the Year Awards and Tommy Lam the founder of the China National Sommelier Competition, and the China National Young Sommelier Team Competition, launched Greater China’s first Wine List Awards - China’s Wine List of the Year Awards and 2013 was the first year of Judging.

In 2014, Vinehoo joined as a shareholder with the Awards and over the years the Awards have now developed into the most recognised and respected Wine List Awards in greater China today.

In 2020, Sommelier Press joined the China Awards as the Awards official Media Partner. Also, by 2020 China's Wine List of the Year Awards, now includes more than 30 special awards recognising Glass winners from over 60 provinces and municipalities across mainland China, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan.

Now, as one of the most anticipated events on greater China's Hospitality and Tourism industry's annual calendar, these prestigious awards have contributed significantly to the lifting of the standard of the nation's Wine Lists, at the same time recognising and rewarding the talents of many of the nation's best sommeliers.

THE MISSION

China's Wine List of the Year Award's mission is to seek out, assess, recognise and reward the very best Wine Lists of greater China's finest restaurants, hotels, cafes, brasseries and bistros, pubs, wine bars and clubs – large and small, plus Airlines and Cruise Ships and their Owners / Managers and Sommeliers.

The Awards have also been influential in raising the public's interest in fine wine generally and have improved the consumers appreciation of those participating establishments.

Today, the list of past Award winners reads like a 'Who's Who' of outstanding establishments and is a wonderful user map in guiding consumers to the best wines to be found in the best restaurants, hotels, wine bars, cafés, pubs, clubs and airlines across greater China.

JUDGES

These China Awards will be judged by arguably the finest panel of independent Wine List judges ever assembled, comprised of some of the world's most respected International and Chinese experts in Wine, Wine Service, and Wine Commentary; overseen by the two Co-Chairmen – Wine writer, Author and Judge and 25 year Wine List of the Year Awards veteran – Peter Forrestal plus the Founder and President of the Court of Master Sommeliers Worldwide – Brian Julyan MS.

The Panel is made up of other Master Sommeliers – including a previous Best Sommelier in Asia-Oceania, plus Masters of Wine, advisors to the China Sommelier Association – Preparation Committee, Wine Judges, Writers and Commentators from some of the most respected publications both in China and around the World.

2020 AWARDS PRESENTATION CEREMONY – SHANGHAI

This year the 2020 China Wine List of the Year Awards Presentation Ceremony will be held in Shanghai, on Monday, 26th October 2020.

Winning and highly awarded restaurants will be invited to attend the awards ceremony where owners, managers and sommeliers and supporters will meet and celebrate as well as learn from and inspire each

other and share their commitment to the future and their outstanding professional talents, thereby contributing towards the ultimate wine lists for restaurants and diners.

Also in 2020, in recognition of the vital role they play in committing to and investing in the very best Wine Lists - and the Wine Team and the Cellar behind them, the new Award - "China's Outstanding Owner or F&B Director or Wine Manager" Award will again be presented. This Award will be won by the nominated - Owner or F&B Director or Wine Manager, responsible for the two winning lists from – firstly Mainland China and also Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan.

Owners, F&B Directors and Wine Managers, this is your chance to be recognised, rewarded and respected for your commitment to and success in producing China's finest wine lists. Sommeliers who are developing in the food and wine industry, as well as experienced Sommeliers caring for excellent restaurants possessing treasured wine lists, the 2020 China Wine List of the Year Awards is waiting for you – this is also your chance to be recognised, rewarded, respected and celebrated!

CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2020 – DATES:

Entries Open: – Thursday, 18 June 2020

at www.winelistoftheyear.cn

Entries Close: – Friday, 31 July 2020

Awards Presentation Ceremony: – Shanghai Monday, 26 October 2020

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