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CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR AWARDS - 2021 - WINNERS ANNOUNCED -

SHANGHAI: Tonight, Monday October 18th, 2021, the highly anticipated results of the **2021 China's Wine List of the Year Awards – Mainland China** and also **Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan** were announced to an audience of China's leading sommeliers, VIP's, Award Partners and Supporters, Wine judges from around the world, government representatives and media, with a live broadcast of the Awards Presentation Ceremony.

And the winners are

China's Wine List of the Year 2021 – Mainland China

1515 West Chophouse & Bar – Shanghai

AND

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Again in 2021 the big winners with **China's Wine List of the Year Awards** are China's **Hospitality and Tourism Industries** and also **China's ever more discerning Consumers** everywhere who benefit from the significant gains that are being achieved each year with the standard of China's wine lists.

Every year the standard of the wine lists that showcase these industries - and are available to those consumers, continues to grow with the highest percentage (%) ever of 3 Glass Wine Lists across China achieved in 2021!



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This outstanding result further demonstrates the growing standard of China's best Wine Lists today. In **2021** the most popular categories entered by applicants were again **Best Wine by the Glass List** followed again also by **Best Food and Wine Matching Wine List** then, **Best Champagne List**. Following last year's trend, this year the **Best Listing of Chinese Wines** was the next most strongly supported category – great news for China's growing Domestic Wine Industry!

2021 was again another record year for the **Independent Restaurant** sector – up an extraordinary 33% on last year, across China reflecting the increased focus by this category on creating outstanding wine offers for their customers and wanting to say so!

Finally, it is very encouraging to hear of the positive impact on respective businesses that success in the Awards is bringing to those deserving of recognition and reward for the outstanding levels they are achieving.

Quote from Co-Chairman of Judges Peter Forrestal on the 2021 China's Wine List of the Year Awards: ... "There hasn't been a year when the quality of China's wine lists was so strong. It seems that, in 2021, instead of increasing the size of their lists, sommeliers are looking to improving the quality of the wines they offer their customers. The best restaurants (both those which are in hotels and are stand-alone) are offering more extensive lists by the glass that are thoughtfully selected to be in tune with the restaurant's theme or cuisine and offer patrons unforgettable experiences. Coravin is a vital part of this revolution.

Competition for the top awards have never been stronger: nor has the support among judges for all those chosen as finalists. The quality of the lists in a significant number of restaurants suggests that the expertise of sommeliers working in Chinese restaurants continues to be on the rise. This also suggests that the influence of the leading sommeliers in the country is spreading rapidly and helping to improve the restaurant experience for many patrons. Peter Forrestal, Co-Chairman of Judges

Quote from Co-Chairman of Judges Brian Julyan MS – Founder of the Court of Master Sommeliers, on the 2021 Awards ..." Congratulations to all the entrants and especially the finalists for another year of outstanding entries. With Restaurants suffering reduced business through the pandemic one might have expected lists to be reduced in range and diversity, but this was not the case. The attention to detail and the quality of content was as good as any previous year. The array of WBG, aided by the excellent dispensing systems now available, has allowed considerable expansion of this section, providing Sommeliers the chance to offer exciting food and wine pairings course by course and customers an enhanced opportunity to enjoy a wider range of wines. Brian Julyan MS Master Sommelier, Co-Chairman of Judges.



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AWARD WINNERS & FINALISTS – 2021

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CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR - 2021 FINALISTS

- Da Vittorio, Shanghai
- Maison Lameloise, Shanghai
- Amico BJ, Beijing
- Lobster Grill, Hong Kong

CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR – HALL OF FAME - 2021

- MAIN AWARD WINNERS -
- Ensue, Shenzhen (2020)
- 8½ Otto e Mezzo Bombana Macau (2020)
- Café Gray Deluxe The Middle House, Shanghai (2019)
- SW Steakhouse Wynn Palace, Macau (2019)
- L'Atelier de Joel Robuchon Shanghai (2018)
- 8½ Otto e Mezzo Bombana Hong Kong (2018)
- Hakkasan Shanghai (2016)



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- Aux Beaux Arts Macau (2016)
- Restaurant Petrus, Island Shangri-La Hong Kong (2015)
- L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon Hong Kong (2014)
- Robuchon au Dôme, Grand Lisboa Hotel Macau (2013)

CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR - HALL OF FAME - 2021

- INDIVIDUAL AWARD WINNERS –
- Paul Lo (2019)
- LU Yang MS (2017/2018)

CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR - HALL OF FAME - 2021

- THREE TIME SPECIALIST AWARD WINNERS -
- Tivano (Chengdu)
 Best List Western China (2017, 2018, 2019)
- Oyster & Wine Bar (Hong Kong) Best Wine by the Glass List (2013, 2015, 2016)
- Oyster & Wine Bar (Hong Kong) Best Champagne List (2017, 2018, 2019)

BEST WINE LIST - EASTERN CHINA

1515 West Chophouse & Bar (Shanghai)

BEST WINE LIST - NORTHERN CHINA

Amico BJ (Chaoyang District)

BEST WINE LIST - SOUTHERN CHINA

• Club Emmelyn (Guangzhou)

BEST WINE LIST - WESTERN CHINA

Jing Bar (Chengdu)

BEST WINE LIST - HONG KONG SRA

Lobster Grill (Central)

BEST WINE LIST - MACAU SRA

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BEST WINE LIST - TAIWAN

Din Yue Ji Pin (Taichung)

BEST INDEPENDENT RESTAURANT WINE LIST

Da Vittorio (Shanghai)

BEST HOTEL RESTAURANT WINE LIST

Alain Ducasse at Morpheus (Cotai)

BEST CHINESE RESTAURANT WINE LIST

Sheng Yong Xing (Huangpu District)

BEST CLUB RESTAURANT WINE LIST

• FG Wine House (Jing'an District)

BEST WINE BAR LIST

Ottimo (Xuhui District)

BEST NEW WINE LIST - opened in last year

• Ottimo (Xuhui District)

BEST SMALL/MEDIUM WINE LIST – less than 100 wines

• Lobster Grill (Central)

BEST WINES BY THE GLASS LIST

• Lobster Grill (Central)

BEST FOOD & WINE MATCHING LIST

• Oyster Talks (Chaoyang District)

BEST CHAMPAGNE LIST

L'Atelier de Joel Robuchon (Central)

BEST LISTING OF CHINESE WINES

Tavola (Chaoyang District)

BEST LISTING OF CHINESE SPIRITS

• Xin Rong Ji Xinyuan South Road (Chaoyang District)

BEST LISTING OF FRENCH WINES

• Petrus (Central)



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BEST SAKE LIST

SW Steakhouse (Cotai)

BEST APERITIF LIST

Jing Bar (Chengdu)

BEST DIGESTIF LIST

• Hakkasan (Huangpu District)

BEST BEER LIST

Poetry Wine Solana (Chaoyang District)

BEST INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE WINE LIST

Xiamen Airlines (Fujian)

BEST LUXURY FINE WINE CELLAR LIST

• Robuchon au Dome (Macau)

BEST HOTEL GROUP WINE LIST

• **EXCELLENT** – Shangri-La Hotel Group

• **OUTSTANDING** – Swire Hotels Marriott International Grand Lisboa Hotel

BEST 'Core 'Wines by the Glass' LIST in a HOTEL GROUP

• **EXCELLENT** – Shangri-La Hotel Group

OUTSTANDING – Marriott International Hyatt Hotels Melco Resorts &

Entertainment

BEST RESTAURANT CHAIN WINE LIST

• **EXCELLENT** – Sheng Yong Xing

OUTSTANDING – By Little Somms Lu Cai Catering Quoke Catering



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CHINA'S WINNING WINE LISTS - 2021

Mainland China 1515 West Chophouse - Shanghai



1515 West Chophouse, Shanghai

This is a carefully curated wine list that gives voice to a fantastic array of wines by the glass — it takes the category very seriously and uses it in the way it was intended, especially through Coravin - and presents a fine dining wine experience of the world's wines. Big names tend to dominate but there is admirable choice when you delve a little deeper. It is worth remembering that it is part of the Shangri-La chain with access to an amazing master list. It uses it well. Deputy Chair, Jeni Port.

In the end, 1515 West Chophouse won me over for its ability to satisfy wine lovers at all budgets. Yes it has an incredible range of top end wines, but also an excellent number at the more modest end of the market. It was an impressive international list, including a top selection of wines from China. Deputy Chair, Toni Paterson MW.

Hong Kong - Macau - Taiwan
Alain Ducasse at Morpheus
- Cotai



Alain Ducasse at Morpheus, Macau

This is a most impressive, fine dining wine list with a firm focus on France. It does delve deep into the Grand Cru/First Growth wine territory, providing a mouth-watering selection of names and vintages. This is its singular strength but it must be said that should the diner wish to wander away from France, they will also be rewarded. Deputy Chair, Jeni Port.

One cannot deny the premium nature of Alain Ducasse at Morpheus. The list is exceptional, including verticals of the top wines. Deputy Chair, Toni Paterson MW.