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Expert panel reveals Cornucopia's Top 25 wines

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Whistler, B.C. – An expert panel of 10 esteemed industry leaders have announced the Top 25 Wines from Cornucopia 2015. The competition illustrates the enormous talent existing at Cornucopia, presented by BlueShore Financial, pitting a vast selection of exceptional wines against each other to reveal the festivals **Top 25 wines**.

Among the esteemed panel of judges is DJ Kearney, lead judge and presenter for Cornucopia. Kearney commends the high standard of admissions, stating that "The entries this year were of a high-caliber and the judges were delighted at the quality of the submissions. Every flight was meaningful and challenging and the judges worked diligently to separate the best of the best."

Each winery participating in [Cornucopia](#) was given the opportunity to enter their choice of wines into the Top 25 competition. The panel of judges tasted all submissions in a closed, blind-tasting session before declaring their final selection.

**The Top 25 wines are:**

**Top bubble**

Blue Mountain Vineyard and Cellars Gold Label Brut

**Top white**

C.C. Jentsch Cellars Small Lots Barrel Fermented Chardonnay 2014

**Top red**

MASI Campofiorin 2011

**Best of the Rest, in alphabetical order:**

C.C. Jentsch Cellars Syrah 2013

Calliope Figure 8 Red 2013

Calliope Viognier 2014

Clos de Los Siete 2012

Dominio Del Plata BenMarco Malbec 2013

Fort Berens Pinot Noir 2013

Harper's Trail Cabernet Franc 2013

Harper's Trail Pioneer Block Dry Riesling 2013

Indigenous World Winery Simo "See-Moo" Small Lot Red Blend 2012

Liquidity Wines Chardonnay 2013

Lopez De Haro Rioja Reserva 2005

Mascota Vineyards La Mascota Cabernet Sauvignon 2012

Michael David Winery Petite Petit 2013

Monte Del Fra Ca del Magro 2012

Quails' Gate Stewart Family Reserve Chardonnay 2013

Quails' Gate Stewart Family Reserve Pinot Noir 2013

Rocca delle Macie Chianti Classico DOCG 2013

Santa Ana Reserve Malbec-Shiraz 2013

Stoneboat Vineyards Faux Pas Rose 2014

Stoneboat Vineyards Piano Brut

Vinosia Aglianico 2014

Vistalba Corte C 014

Wine lovers and aficionados alike are invited to explore these award-winning wines at various Cornucopia tasting events, including the flagship tasting event: [CRUSH Grand Gala Tasting](#), November 7, the top-shelf wine tasting event: [Cellar Door Grand Tasting](#), November 6, as well as Cornucopia's awards celebration: [Top 25 Celebratory Reception](#), November 7.

These events are just a small taste of the extensive calendar of events at Whistler's Cornucopia, featuring 11 delicious days of food and drink.

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**Cornucopia presented by BlueShore Financial** is Whistler's food + drink celebration celebrating its 19<sup>th</sup> year. The festival is newly expanded to eleven days of gourmet food, wines, spirits and craft beer complete with an exciting line up of talent, including mixologists, sommeliers, and renowned chefs in the food and drink industry. Attracting more than 10,000 people to the resort – and catering to everyone from amateur enthusiasts to aficionados - the diverse program offers educational seminars, wine tasting, elaborate dinners, late-night events and a new health and wellness series Nourish. Held on the cusp of the ski season opening in beautiful Whistler, British Columbia; Cornucopia was designed to showcase and support the local food and drink industry. Cornucopia has become recognized as a preeminent representation of the culinary tourism industry in Canada.

**Whistler** is Canada's premier year-round leisure and meeting destination located in the Coast Mountains 120 kilometres (75 miles) north of Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Consistently rated the top ski resort in North America, Whistler was the Host Mountain Resort of the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. The resort offers an extensive range of accommodations totaling 10,000 bedrooms among 24 hotels as well as townhomes, condos, B&Bs and chalets. Whistler also boasts more than 100 restaurants and bars, 200 retail shops, 25 spas and countless activity options from world-renowned skiing and snowboarding, mountain biking and golf, to hiking, rock climbing, and watersports. The Resort Municipality of Whistler is home to a diverse community of more than 10,000 permanent residents.

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