Entries are now being accepted for the...

5th Annual Missouri Valley Wine Competition

February 17th, 2013 Warrenton, MO



The Missouri Valley Wine Society is holding our 5th Annual Missouri Valley Wine Competition February 17th, 2013. Last year, we had 318 entries and expect many more this year. Missouri/Illinois Winery Owners and their Winemakers and Certified Wine Judges will judge all entries. Medals will be awarded based on a modified 20 point UC Davis scoring system.

For more information, visit www.mvws.org
Bob Truetken at bobtruetken@hotmail.com

The Privileges of Winning

Prizes

Bragging rights

Medals (of course)

Thank you to the Missouri Valley Wine Competition Sponsors

This year, we have a number of sponsors that have donated gift certificates for the major prize awards. Please visit their website as they were generous in donating the awards.

We have awards for the thirteen prize categories this year valued at over \$2,300.

The winner of the Best of Show and Winemaker of the Year Awards will receive a 65 Liter (17.3 U.S. Gallons) Variable Capacity Tank w/Accessories (stand not included).

At this point, we will have 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards for each of the other prize categories. That may change as we get more sponsors. To qualify for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards, your wine must have scored a bronze medal or higher.

- ⇒ Best of Show
- ⇒ Winemaker of the Year (Top 6 scoring wines submitted by a winemaker)
- ⇒ Fruit/Grape Wine Kit (Island Mist, Orchard Breezin, Summer Breeze and the like)
- ⇒ Red Grape—American
- \Rightarrow White Grape—American
- ⇒ Red Grape—French-American
- **⇒** White Grape—French-American
- ⇒ Red Grape—Vinifera
- ⇒ White Grape—Vinifera
- **⇒** Non Grape Fruit
- ⇒ Port/Fortified/Ice/Dessert Wine
- ⇒ Mead and Sparkling Wine
- \Rightarrow Herb, Spice, Vegetable, Flower





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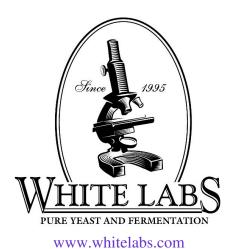


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Missouri Valley Wine Competition Rules and Regulations

Our promise to every entrant is that their wine will be appropriately scored and well judged by superstar palates – Missouri/Illinois Winery Owners and their Winemakers, Sommeliers and Certified Wine Judges.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. Judges or their immediate family may not enter wines in the competition.
- 2. Any changes due to oversight or miscalculation will be corrected after the competition.
- 3. Complete results will be posted online at www.mvws.org within 3 weeks after the competition.
- 4. Prizes, medals and scoring sheets will be sent to all entrants within 6 weeks.
- 5. All wines will become the property of Missouri Valley Wine Society and will not be returned after the competition.
- 6. All decisions by the Missouri Valley Wine Society Competition Committee and Judges are final.

WINE COMPETITION RULES

- 1. Send ONE (1) BOTTLE per entry. Still wines and Mead must be submitted in standard 750 ml wine bottles. Ice Wines, Late Harvest, Dessert wines and Fortified wines can be submitted in TWO (2) 375 ml bottles. Sparkling wines must be in champagne bottles with proper closure and wire.
- 2. All bottles must be free of wax, decorative labels and capsules.
- 3. Each wine bottle shall have a temporary label attached. Use the temporary labels included in this guide located on the last page, and **please** tape so label can be easily removed and replaced with a permanent label for the day of the competition.
- 4. The temporary label must have the following information: Your Name, Category Number, Wine Ingredients and Vintage.
- 5. If you are using a wine kit for ingredients, please list the brand and product name in the product line.
- 6. You may enter as many wines as you wish.
- 7. If you feel your wine is better suited for serving chilled (e.g. white wines, champagne), please mark on the temporary label as such. Those wines will be chilled prior to judging.
- 8. You will decide which category you will enter. You will enter the wine in the category that best reflects where it will perform best.
- 9. Wines must contain a minimum of 75% of the designated type if entered as a varietal. Varietals less than 75% must be entered as blends.
- 10. Wines made from fruit other than grapes are considered fruit wines.
- 11. Wines that are blended with different grapes, fruits or grape-fruit blends and the dominant grape or fruit is less than 75% are considered to be blended wines.
- 12. Wines made from wine kits or concentrates are acceptable.
- 13. Wines make from kits or grapes will compete side-by-side if they are entered in the same category.
- 14. The competition is open to any amateur home winemaker.
- 15. Wines made commercially are not allowed.
- 16. All wines will be judged according to their relative merits within the category.
- 17. The Best of Show Award will be determined from all the Gold medal winners.
- 18. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded based on a modified 20 point UC Davis scoring system.
- 19. Multiple Gold, Silver and Bronze medals can be awarded to wines of appropriate merit within a category.

KEY DATES

Entry form deadline: February 11, 2013

Wine Delivery Deadline: February 11, 2013

Wines Judged: February 17, 2013



Missouri Valley Wine Competition Deadlines and Dates

- Any winemaker who is <u>not</u> engaged in winemaking for a profit is eligible to enter wine.
- Judging will be held February 17th, 2013 starting at noon.
- Judging is closed to the public.

ENTRY FEE

- Entry fees for the wine competition are \$8 per bottle for MVWS Wine Club paid Members and \$10 per bottle for non-MVWS Members.
- Payment can be in the form of cash, check or money order. Please do not send cash through the mail.
- Make check payable to Missouri Valley Wine Society; and mail to:

Bob Truetken

22146 Glen Ellen Lane

Warrenton, MO 63383

- If paying by check, write the number of entries on the check as well as the entrant name if it is different from the name on the check.
- Entry fees are <u>non-refundable</u>.
- There will be <u>no refunds</u> of entry fees for wines that arrive after February 11th. Exceptions are handled by the Competition Committee.
- The winemaker is responsible for any and all packing and/or shipping charges, where applicable.
- Missouri Valley Wine Society will <u>not</u> be responsible for lost or damaged wines.
- Please pack wine bottles so that they will not break in shipment!
- Every reasonable effort will be made to contact entrants whose bottles have broken to make arrangements for sending replacement bottles.
- If shipping wines, it is recommended to use UPS.
- MVWS Members can bring their wines to the February 7th meeting.
- Wine entries will not be accepted on the day of the competition.

SHIPMENT

• Wines can be **shipped to or dropped off** on or before February 11th, 2012 at:

Bob Truetken 22146 Glen Ellen Lane Warrenton, MO 63383

• Last day for entry forms with payment and shipment of wine to Bob Truetken is February 11th.

ALTERNATE DROP OFF POINT

- If you are dropping off wine at St. Louis Wine and Beermaking or Missouri Wine and Gift, you must send your entry form with payment separately to Bob Truetken prior to drop off.
- PLEASE NOTE: Wines can be dropped off on or before February 4th, 2012 at the following locations:

St. Louis Wine and Beermaking, LLC

c/o MVWS

251 Lamp and Lantern

Chesterfield, MO

Store Hours: Tuesday to Friday 10:30 AM—6 PM, Saturday 9 AM—3PM

Missouri Wine and Gift

c/o MVWS

2167 W Terra Lane

O'Fallon, MO 63366

Store Hours: Open 7 days a week from 10:00 AM—7 PM

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MISSOURI VALLEY WINE COMPETITION CATEGORIES

Classification

- ⇒ Dry Wines—Wines in this classification have virtually no residual sugar (S.G. up to 1.008, less than 1%). Wines have undergone complete fermentation on their own (not stopped by the winemaker)
- ⇒ Off-Dry Wines—Wines in this classification are not completely dry (S.G. greater than 1.008 to 1.012, 1% to 2% residual sugar.
- ⇒ Semi-Sweet Wines—Wines in this classification have been back sweetened or had early termination of fermentation (S.G. greater than 1.012 to 1.015, 2% to 3% residual sugar).
- ⇒ Sweet Wines—Wines in this classification are very sweet (S.G. greater than 1.015, over 3% residual sugar)
- ⇒ Specialty Wines—Includes sparkling wines, dessert wines, ice wines, fortified wines, port, honey based wines or any other wines that do not fit any of the above classifications.

NATIVE AMERICAN

- 1. White Native American Varietal
- 2. White Native American Blend
- 3. Red Native American Varietal
- 4. Red Native American Blend
- 5. Blush/Rose' Native American

FRENCH-AMERICAN

- 6. White French-American Varietal
- 7. White French-American Blend
- 8. Red French-American Varietal
- 9. Red French-American Blend
- 10. Blush/Rose' French- American

VINIFERA

- 11. White Vinifera Varietal
- 12. White Vinifera Blend
- 13. Red Vinifera Varietal
- 14. Red Vinifera Blend
- 15. Blush/Rose' Vinifera

OPEN CLASS

- 16. White Blend—Any grape variety
- 17. Red Blend—Any grape variety
- 18. Blush/Rose'—Any grape variety

GRAPE/NON-GRAPE (FRUIT) WINE BLEND

- 19. Island Mist
- 20. Orchard Breezin
- 21. Other

FRUIT

- 22. Apple
- 23. Apricot
- 24. Blackberry
- 25. Blueberry
- 26. Cherry
- 27. Elderberry
- 28. Mulberry
- 29. Peach
- 30. Pear
- 31. Plum
- 32. Raspberry– Black
- 33. Raspberry—White
- 34. Strawberry
- 35. Fruit Blend
- 36. Other

SPECIALTY WINES

- 37. Traditional Mead
- 38. Fruit Mead
- 39. Herb and Spice Mead
- 40. Sparkling Grape Wines
- 41. Sparkling Non-Grape Wines
- 42. Herb, Spice, Vegetable or Flower Wines
- 43. Port
- 44. Sherry
- 45. Fortified (Neutral Spirits)
- 46. Ice Wines
- 47. Dessert Wines
- 48. Late Harvest Wines
- 49. Wine Based Cocktail

MISSOURI VALLEY WINE COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Wines EnteredX \$10 (\$8 MVWS Members)\$Total If entering more than 6 wines please photocopy or print this page again		
This completed form must be postmarked and mailed, with payment by February 11, 2012 to: Missouri Valley Wine Society 22146 Glen Ellen Lane Warrenton, MO 63383		
No entries will be accepted without this completed form.		
Name:Address:		
City:	_State:Zipcode:	
Phone:Email Address	s:	
Name of Winemaking Club you are a member of:Name of Favorite Winemaking Supply Retailer:		
	varieties and percentage used in each wine. For example: 75% Vidal nd product name on the product line. For example: Winexpert Selec-	
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MISSOURI VALLEY WINE COMPETITION WINE BOTTLE TEMPORARY LABELS

Use these for attaching to your wine bottles

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