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2020 SAN DIEGO COUNTY FAIR

# HOMEMADE WINE

## 2020 ENTRY TIMELINE

Entry Deadline ..... Friday, April 3  
 Entry Delivery ..... Tuesday, April 21: Noon - 7pm  
 Judging ..... Saturday, May 2  
 Awards Ceremony & Exhibitor Tasting ..... Sunday, May 3: 3pm - 5pm  
 Judging Comments Mailed by ..... Friday, May 15  
 Fair Dates ..... Friday, June 5 - Sunday, July 5 (closed Mondays)

## ENTRY FEE

\$20 per entry (non-refundable).

## ENTRY LIMIT

There is no entry limit. No wine may be entered in more than one class.

## ENTRY CHECKLIST

- Read entry materials, decide what to enter
- Enter online and pay entry fees by deadline at [sdfair.com/entry](https://sdfair.com/entry)
- Save email confirmation, entry delivery instructions will be emailed following entry deadline
- Deliver or ship entries for judging
- Save the date for the Awards Ceremony & Exhibitor Tasting

## NEW THIS YEAR

) New Red Wine Class: Division 1514, Class 12 Montepulciano

## CONTACT

Rich Cook, Coordinator  
 Entry Office (858) 792-4207, Monday through Friday 10am-4pm  
 (extended support to 7pm on entry deadline)  
[entry@sdfair.com](mailto:entry@sdfair.com)  
 2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd, Del Mar, CA 92014  
[sdfair.com/entry](https://sdfair.com/entry)

## ELIGIBILITY

Amateur winemakers, **21** years or older. You may not enter if you are a professional winemaker or have applied for State or Federal licensing.

## FAIR TICKETS

Exhibitors will receive two (2) Fair admission tickets for entering.

## JUDGING

All judging will be blind and held in a closed session. Judging will be based on the style of wine per category. Coordinator reserves the right to transfer an entry to the correct class/division and **classes may be consolidated, added or divided if entries warrant**. Additionally, each wine will be automatically entered in the Label Design Competition. Local and state rules apply.

## AWARDS

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be given in each class, as merited. In addition, Blue, Red and White ribbons will be awarded to the top three scores in each class. Rosettes will be awarded to Division and Sweepstakes winners only. Ribbons will be awarded to the top 5 label design winners.

**Division Winners:** First place winners in each class will compete for Division Honors.

**Sweepstakes Winners:** Winners of each wine Division will compete for Best of Show Honors.

**Pete Anderson Award:** Top scoring wine that is grown, produced and bottled on the winemaker's estate.

**Russ St. Jean Award:** Most Unique Wine.

**Leon Santoro Award:** Best of Show Wine.

**Lum Eisenman Award:** Top-scoring wine made from grapes that are grown, produced and bottled in San Diego County.

**Winemaker of the Year Award:** Winemaker with the best overall score for a min. of 5 wines entered.

## AWARD CEREMONY

Each exhibitor will receive four (4) tickets to the awards ceremony. All competition wines will be available for tasting. Opened and empty bottles are not allowed to leave the building. **Must be 21 to attend.**

## DELIVERY

Each entry shall consist of one (1) full standard **750 ml wine bottle at time of delivery**, labeled with exhibitor name, phone number, and bottle contents. Proprietary labels are allowed. **Entries in Division 1513, Port and Dessert Wine may be submitted in a 375 ml bottle.**

Specially designed carafes, jars, bottles or containers will not be accepted. Partial bottles will be disqualified. Please note, bottles will not be saved or returned. Please *do not* deliver the wine chilled. Entries will be chilled prior to judging as appropriate.

**Personal Delivery:** Fairgrounds wine delivery instructions and map will be emailed following entry deadline. If you are unable to bring wine on delivery date, you may send someone in your place or ship your entry. If sending someone, send a written letter with designee at time of delivery for your Fair passes and award ceremony tickets.

**Shipping Instructions:** Shipped wine bottles must arrive at the San Diego County Fair before the entry delivery deadline. Enclose a copy of your paid entry receipt. Fair passes, waiver forms and Awards Ceremony tickets will be mailed. The Fair is not responsible for lost, delayed or damaged shipments.

**Ship to:** San Diego County Fair Entry Office  
Homemade Wine Dept.  
2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd.  
Del Mar, CA 92014

## Homemade Wine Competition

# WINE DIVISIONS

### BLENDED RED WINE-DIVISION 1511

#### Class

- 001 Blended Red Bordeaux Varietals\*\*
- 002 Blended Red Italian Varietals\*\*
- 003 Blended Red Misc. Varietals Dry\*\*
- 004 Blended Red Misc. Varietals Med. Dry\*\*
- 005 Blended Red Misc. Varietals Med. Sweet\*\*
- 006 Blended Red Misc. Varietals Sweet\*\*
- 007 Blended Red Rhone Varietals\*\*
- 008 Blended Red Spanish Varietals\*\*

### BLENDED WHITE WINE-DIVISION 1512

#### Class

- 001 Blended White Bordeaux Varietals\*\*
- 002 Blended White Italian Varietals\*\*
- 003 Blended White Misc. Varietals Dry\*\*
- 004 Blended White Misc. Varietals Med. Dry\*\*
- 005 Blended White Misc. Varietals Med. Sweet\*\*
- 006 Blended White Misc. Varietals Sweet\*\*
- 007 Blended White Rhone Varietals\*\*
- 008 Blended White Spanish Varietals\*\*

### DESSERT WINE-DIVISION 1513

#### Class

- 001 Red Dessert Wines
- 002 White Dessert Wines
- 003 Fortified Red Wines (Port)
- 004 Fortified White Wines (Sherry)

### RED WINE-DIVISION 1514

#### Class

- 001 Aglianico
- 002 Alicante Bouschet
- 003 Barbera
- 004 Cabernet Franc
- 005 Cabernet Sauvignon
- 006 Carignane
- 007 Charbono (Bonarda)
- 008 Gamay (Valdigue)
- 009 Grenache
- 010 Malbec
- 011 Merlot
- 012 NEW! Montepulciano
- 013 Mourvedre (Mataro)
- 014 Nebbiolo
- 015 Petit Verdot
- 016 Petite Sirah
- 017 Pinot Noir
- 018 Sagrantino
- 019 Sangiovese
- 020 Syrah
- 021 Tempranillo
- 022 Teroldego
- 023 Zinfandel
- 024 Other Red Varietals\*

### ROSE WINE-DIVISION 1515

#### Class

- 001 Rosé Dry
- 002 Rosé Medium Dry
- 003 Rosé Medium Sweet
- 004 Rosé Sweet

### SPARKLING WINE-DIVISION

#### 1516

#### Class

- 001 Blanc De Blanc
- 002 Blanc De Noir
- 003 Brut
- 004 Brut Zero
- 005 Demi Sec
- 006 Doux
- 007 Extra Dry
- 008 Flavored
- 009 Rosé
- 010 Sweet

### WHITE WINE-DIVISION 1517

#### Class

- 001 Albariño
- 002 Arneis
- 003 Chardonnay
- 004 Chenin Blanc
- 005 Gewurztraminer
- 006 Grenache Blanc
- 007 Gruner Veltliner
- 008 Malvasia Bianca
- 009 Marsanne
- 010 Muscat
- 011 Pinot Blanc
- 012 Pinot Grigio
- 013 Pinot Gris
- 014 Riesling Dry
- 015 Riesling Medium Dry
- 016 Riesling Medium Sweet
- 017 Riesling Sweet
- 018 Roussanne
- 019 Sauvignon Blanc
- 020 Semillion
- 021 Symphony
- 022 Verdelho
- 023 Vermentino
- 024 Viognier
- 025 Other White Varietals\*

### FRUIT WINE-DIVISION 1518

#### Class

- 001 Fruit with Stone-Dry
- 002 Fruit non-Stone-Dry
- 003 Fruit with Stone-Sweet
- 004 Fruit non-Stone-Sweet
- 005 Blended Fruit - Dry\*\*
- 006 Blended Fruit-Sweet \*\*

For purposes of categorizing wines correctly, the following guidelines apply:  
**Dry** = less than 0.6% RS (Riesling less than 1% RS)

**Medium Dry** = 0.6 – 1.49% RS (Riesling 1% - 1.49%)

**Medium Sweet** = 1.5 - 4.9% RS

**Sweet** = 5% RS and above

**Sparkling Wines** should be designated by their label name when present.

Winemaker selected codes are generally honored. The Director reserves the right to reclassify a wine that is mis-categorized to allow the best possible showing of the wine.

\*For other varietal wines, state type of varietal.

\*\*For blended wines, state percentage of blend