CLASS 1: INTRO TO TASTING: WHITE WINE

Preparation, the serving ceremony, what to look for in a glass of white wine—and how to find it using your senses of sight, smell and touch.

Module 1: Preparing for a Tasting; Customer Service Guidelines
Module 2: Using Your Senses to Appreciate Wine
Module 3: Tasting Two Whites: Pinot Grigio & Chardonnay

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

CLASS 2: TASTING REDS

Identify the nuances that differentiate red wines.

Module 1: Review of Class 1
Module 2: Wine Components
Module 3: Age & Wine
Module 4: Storing Wine; Customer Service Troubleshooting
Module 5: Tasting Beaujolais & Cabernet Sauvignon

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

CLASS 3: INTERNATIONAL VARIETIES

From Chardonnay to Syrah—explore the world's most popular grapes and their wines.

Module 1: Chardonnay
Module 2: Riesling
Module 3: Sauvignon Blanc
Module 4: Cabernet Sauvignon
Module 5: Merlot
Module 6: Pinot Noir
Module 7: Syrah
Tasting: Pinot Noir & Merlot

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

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CLASS 4: MAJOR REGIONAL VARIETIES

Venture off the beaten path to discover a host of grape varieties renowned in their respective regions.

Module 1: Aromatic Trio
Module 2: Plump Whites
Module 3: Fun French Reds Module 4: Italian Duo
Module 5: Distinctively Spain & California
Tasting: Aromatic Whites

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

CLASS 5: OLD WORLD MODEL: FRANCE

Tour the classic wine regions of France.

Module 1: Old World Overview
Module 2: Bordeaux
Module 3: Burgundy
Module 4: Rhone Valley
Module 5: Loire Valley
Module 6: Alsace
Module 7: Champagne
Tasting: Bordeaux and Cotes-du-Rhone

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

CLASS 6: TRAVELLING THE OLD WORLD

Explore Italy, Germany and Spain.

Module 1: Italy
Module 2: Germany
Module 3: Spain
Tasting: Rioja Reserva and Chianti Classico

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

CLASS 7: NEW WORLD MODEL: CALIFORNIA

Ride California's wine wave and learn how the New World rediscovered wine.

Module 1: California Overview
Module 2: Major Grape Varieties
Module 3: Napa Valley
Module 4: Sonoma County, Carneros and Mendocino

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Module 5: Central Coast and Sierra Foothills
Tasting: Sancerre and California Sauvignon Blanc

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

CLASS 8: DISCOVERING THE NEW WORLD

Follow the vineyards through Washington and Oregon down to Australia, New Zealand and South America.

Module 1: United States: Beyond California
Module 2: Australia
Module 3: New Zealand
Module 4: South America
Tasting: Northern Rhone red and Aussie Shiraz

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

CLASS 9: WINEGROWING AND WINEMAKING

From the vineyard to the winery, learn how each step influences the wine in your glass.

Module 1: Winegrowing
Module 2: Winemaking
Module 3: Making Sparkling Wine
Tasting: Chardonnay Styles

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions

CLASS 10: WINE IN REAL LIFE

Recommend and pair wine with confidence.

Module 1: Wine Sales; Keys to Successful Service
Module 2: Describing & Recommending Wine
Module 3: Food and Wine Pairing; Suggesting food & wine matches
Tasting: Food and Wine Pairing

Review and Quiz
10 Multiple-choice questions
Final Exam with 50 Multiple-choice questions

Downloads
Class 1 Packet
Course Packets
- Worksheets and Answers
- My Portfolio Worksheets: On-Premise and Retail Versions
- Step-by-step Tastings for Each Class
- Tasting Journal
- Study Guide

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