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T.J. MARTELL FOUNDATION HONORS PATRICK MATA AND ROBIN QUIVERS AT WORLD TOUR OF WINE EVENT

Gourmet Dinner and Rare Wine Tasting Raises Over \$160,000 for Leukemia, Cancer and AIDS Research



World Tour of Wine Committee members Bob Chiappardi, Bruce Fingeret, Phil Colicchio, Marc Reiter; Martell Foundation CEO Laura Heatherly; 2013 Grand Cru honorees Robin Quivers and Patrick Mata; World Tour of Wine Committee members Tim Grell, Tom Corson, Doug Rotatori and Martell Foundation Director of Strategic Development Christopher Mattioli attend T.J. Martell Foundation's Annual World Tour of Wine Dinner at The Angel Orensanz Foundation on November 14, 2013 in New York City. Not pictured: World Tour of Wine Committee members Claudia Butzky and Bruce Gearhart.

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New York, NY – (November 15th, 2013) – The T.J. Martell Foundation celebrated its annual World Tour of Wine dinner on November 14th at The Angel Orensanz Foundation in Manhattan and raised over \$160,000 for innovative cancer and AIDS research across the country. The T.J. Martell Foundation presented the Grand Cru Award to Patrick Mata, Co-Founder of Ole Imports, and Robin Quivers, Radio Personality, Author, Actress and Co-Host of The Howard Stern Show. Guests enjoyed a sumptuous gourmet dinner prepared by 'wichcraft, with a special appetizer prepared by Seamus Mullen, Chef/Owner of Tertulia in collaboration with Despana foods, special dessert component by pastry chef Stephen Collucci of Colicchio & Sons, and rare wine tastings from exclusive wine cellars across the country.

"We are very grateful to have had the support of Patrick Mata and Robin Quivers at this year's World Tour of Wine Dinner, which was celebrated at a fabulous new venue. We couldn't have done it without all the hard work and dedication of our committee members and volunteers. We are already looking forward to and planning our 2014 event," says Martell Foundation Director of Strategic Development Christopher Mattioli.

Each year, wine enthusiasts and Martell supporters come together to raise glasses and funds for exceptional cancer and AIDS <u>research</u>. Guests and celebrities enjoy a cocktail reception, live and silent auctions, a gourmet dinner and rare tastings from exclusive wine cellars.

Past vintners and vineyards include Donald Patz of Patz & Hall, Doug Shafer of Shafer Vineyards, Corrine Mentzelopoulos of Chateau Marguax, Dr. Alain Raynaud of Chateau Quinault L'Enclos and Sarah & Sparky Marquis of Mollywooker Winery.

Many thanks to American Airlines, the Official Airline of the New York World Tour of Wine.

About the T.J. Martell Foundation

The T.J. Martell Foundation, founded in 1975 by the music industry, is a national nonprofit organization that funds cutting-edge research for leukemia, cancer and AIDS at twelve top research hospitals in the United States.

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