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Star Wine List celebrates top wine lists in the Baltics - here are the finalists

On November 19, Star Wine List will celebrate the great wine lists of the Baltic countries, and the teams behind them, for the very first time. The international sommelier jury has now evaluated all the lists that entered the competition, and today we present the finalists.

Star Wine List of the Year is a celebration of the great wine lists in the world and the teams behind them. In the Baltics, the prize is awarded in eleven categories, and the winner in several categories will also qualify for the International Final in 2024. The jury is done deliberating, and the finalists have been selected.

Star Wine List of the Year Baltics will be held during the Food and Wine Festival in Tallinn on Sunday 19 November, in cooperation with the Baltic sommelier associations.

For the first time, the best Portuguese wine lists are awarded, presented by Symington Family Estates. Sustainability has gotten its own category as well, and Nyetimber joins as partner for the Best Sparkling Wine List category. And like always, the best Austrian wine lists are also recognized.

About the jury

The jury for the Star Wine List of the Year Baltics 2023 comprises four renowned sommeliers: Julie Dupouy-Young, Heidi Mäkinen MW, Piotr Pietras MS and Paz Levinson.

<u>Finalists</u>

Grand Prix The best list overall To be announced at the event

Best Long Wine List

The best large wine list, with more than 600 references

- DOMINIC, Tallinn, Estonia
- NOBLE WINE BAR, Riga, Latvia
- RIVIERA, Riga, Latvia



- TIME TO WINE KOPLI 6, Tallinn, Estonia
- TIME TO WINE ROTERMANNI, Tallinn, Estonia

Best Medium-Sized List

The best wine list with 200-600 listings

- 36.LINE GRILL RESTAURANT, Jurmala, Latvia
- BARENTS, Riga, Latvia
- CHIN CHIN WINE BAR, Tallinn, Estonia
- FOTOGRAFISKA TALLINN, Tallinn, Estonia
- LEE, Tallinn, Estonia
- RESTAURANT PACAI, Vilnius, Lithuania
- SOMM THE WINE BAR, Vilnius, Lithuania
- TAURO RIGA, Riga, Latvia

Best Short List

The best wine list with fewer than 200 listings

- 14 HORSES, Vilnius, Lithuania
- 38 RESTAURANT, Tallinn, Estonia
- LE TRAVI, Vilnius, Lithuania
- LORE BISTROO, Tallinn, Estonia
- LOWINE BAR, Riga, Latvia
- NOA CHEF'S HALL, Tallinn, Estonia
- RADO RESTORAN, Tallinn, Estonia
- TRUFF LE PIG, Riga, Latvia

Best By the Glass List

The best wine list by the glass

- 38 RESTAURANT, Tallinn, Estonia
- ÂME RESTAURANT, Tallinn, Estonia
- ANNO HOME RESTAURANT & WINE CORNER, Tallinn, Estonia
- LEE, Tallinn, Estonia
- NOMAD, Riga, Latvia
- RIVIERA, Riga, Latvia
- SOMM THE WINE BAR, Vilnius, Lithuania
- TIME TO WINE ROTERMANNI, Tallinn, Estonia

Best Sparkling Wine List

The best list with sparkling wine, a category presented by Nyetimber

• BARENTS, Riga, Latvia



- CHIN CHIN WINE BAR, Tallinn, Estonia
- DOMINIC, Tallinn, Estonia
- LEE, Tallinn, Estonia
- NOBLE WINE BAR, Riga, Latvia
- RESTAURANT PACAI, Vilnius, Lithuania
- RIVIERA, Riga, Latvia
- SOMM THE WINE BAR, Vilnius, Lithuania
- TIME TO WINE KOPLI 6, Tallinn, Estonia
- TIME TO WINE ROTERMANNI, Tallinn, Estonia
- TRUFF LE PIG, Riga, Latvia

Best Austrian Wine List

The best wine list with Austrian wine, a category presented by Austrian Wine

- NOBLE WINE BAR, Riga, Latvia
- RIVIERA, Riga, Latvia
- SOMM THE WINE BAR, Vilnius, Lithuania
- TIME TO WINE KOPLI 6, Tallinn, Estonia
- TIME TO WINE ROTERMANNI, Tallinn, Estonia

Best California Wine List

The best wine list with wines from California

- DOMINIC, Tallinn, Estonia
- RIVIERA, Riga, Latvia
- TAURO RIGA, Riga, Latvia
- TIME TO WINE ROTERMANNI, Tallinn, Estonia

Sustainable Wine List

Not only the wine list is evaluated, but also the stated actions of the venue

- FOTOGRAFISKA TALLINN, Tallinn, Estonia
- LE TRAVI, Vilnius, Lithuania
- LEE, Tallinn, Estonia

Best Newcomer List

For a venue that recently opened

- 14 HORSES, Vilnius, Lithuania
- 38 RESTAURANT, Tallinn, Estonia
- CHIN CHIN WINE BAR, Tallinn, Estonia
- LOWINE BAR, Riga, Latvia
- TRUFF LE PIG, Riga, Latvia



Best Portuguese Wine List

The best wine list with wines from Portugal, a category presented by Symington Family Estates

- 180 DEGREES RESTAURANT, Tallinn, Estonia
- GASPAR'S, Vilnius, Lithuania
- LE TRAVI, Vilnius, Lithuania
- RESTAURANT PACAI, Vilnius, Lithuania
- RIVIERA, Riga, Latvia

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Star Wine List is the award-winning guide to great wine bars and wine restaurants around the world. It is available as an app and on <u>www.starwinelist.com</u>. It was launched in Stockholm (Sweden) in 2017, and is now live in more than 35 countries in the world. All venues are selected by top wine professionals.