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## **Star Wine List celebrates UAE top wine lists - here are the finalists**

**On January 29, Star Wine List will celebrate the great wine lists of UAE for the first time. The international expert jury has now decided the finalists.**

Star Wine List of the Year is the celebration of the great wine lists in the world and the teams behind them. In the UAE, the prize is awarded in ten categories, and the winners will also qualify for the International Final in June 2024. The jury, including top sommelier Paz Levinson and UAE wine expert Ben Kouider, is done deliberating, and the finalists have been selected.

“We are very excited to share the finalists for our first awards in the country - congratulations to all nominees and we look forward to celebrating with them in Dubai on Jan. 29,” said Krister Bengtsson, founder and publisher of Star Wine List.

### About the jury

The jury for the Star Wine List of the Year UAE 2024 comprise three top international sommeliers and one local wine expert:

Heidi Mäkinen, Master of Wine

Piotr Pietras, Master Sommelier

Paz Levinson, named Best Sommelier of Americas

Ben Kouider, Champagne expert and educator

### Finalists

#### **Grand Prix**

The best list overall

The winner will be announced at the event.

#### **Best Long Wine List**

The best long wine list, with more than 600 references

- Al Muntaha, Burj Al Arab, Dubai
- Amazónico, Dubai
- At.mosphere, Dubai
- Dinner by Heston Blumenthal, Dubai
- Ossiano, Dubai



- Ristorante L'Olivo at Al Mahara, Burj Al Arab, Dubai

### **Best Medium-Sized List**

The best wine list with 200-600 listings, a category presented by Brancott Estate

- BOCA, Dubai
- Clap, Dubai
- Hakkasan Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi
- Il Ristorante - Niko Romito, Dubai
- LPM Dubai, Dubai
- MayaBay, Dubai
- Nobu Dubai, Dubai
- TABŪ, Dubai
- Zuma Dubai, Dubai

### **Best Short List**

The best wine list with fewer than 200 listings

- Josette, Dubai
- Lexington Grill & Bar, Ras Al Khaimah
- Ling Ling at Atlantis The Royal, Dubai
- ROKA restaurant, Dubai
- Soirée, Dubai
- Tresind Studio, Dubai

### **Best By the Glass List**

The best wine list by the glass

- At.mosphere, Dubai
- BOCA, Dubai
- Clap, Dubai
- Dinner by Heston Blumenthal, Dubai
- LPM Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi
- LPM Dubai, Dubai
- Ossiano, Dubai
- Soirée, Dubai
- Zuma Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi
- Zuma Dubai, Dubai

### **Best Sparkling Wine List**

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

- Al Muntaha, Burj Al Arab, Dubai



- At.mosphere, Dubai
- BOCA, Dubai
- Dinner by Heston Blumenthal, Dubai
- Nobu Dubai, Dubai
- Ossiano, Dubai
- Ristorante L'Olivo at Al Mahara, Burj Al Arab, Dubai
- Zuma Dubai, Dubai

### **Best Austrian Wine List**

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

- Amazónico, Dubai
- Ossiano, Dubai
- Zuma Dubai, Dubai

### **Best California Wine List**

The best wine list with wines from California, a category presented by Louis M. Martini

- Al Muntaha, Burj Al Arab, Dubai
- Amazónico, Dubai
- At.mosphere, Dubai
- Dinner by Heston Blumenthal, Dubai
- Nobu Dubai, Dubai
- Ossiano, Dubai

### **Sustainable Wine List**

Not only the wine list is evaluated, but also the stated actions of the venue  
The winner will be announced at the event.

### **Best Newcomer List**

For a venue that recently opened, a category presented by DAOU

- City Social Dubai, Dubai
- Dinner by Heston Blumenthal, Dubai
- Fouquet's, Dubai
- Row on 45, Dubai
- Soirée, Dubai

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