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Star Wine List names 129 finalists across the world in the Star Wine List of the Year International Open 2026 competition

Star Wine List is the digital guide to the world's best wine bars and restaurants, and the Star Wine List of the Year awards tour celebrates the work of sommelier teams across the globe in creating the top wine lists. 129 finalists have just been announced in the 2026 International Open, spanning 75 locations across all continents. Winners will be revealed in February.

The Star Wine List of the Year tour runs from September to June each year. During the 2025/'26 season, awards events are being held in 14 territories but, in order to cover the entire globe, the International Open competition invites entries from any and all locations that fall outside the tour's stops.

Wine lists have been assessed in 10 categories by an esteemed judging panel including Master Sommeliers Stefan Neumann and Jonathan Gouveia, and four-time Best Sommelier of Ireland Julie Dupouy-Young. This jury has now announced its finalists, who are separated into continental groupings. Winners in each category, in each continent, will receive a Gold Star, with Silver Stars for the runners-up. For the first time Star Wine List will also announce Bronze Stars – a new accreditation acknowledging wine lists of a solid quality despite not making it onto the shortlist. The winners will be announced online, on 2 February 2026.

Since all categories in the Open are classified as "international," all Gold Star winners in this contest will automatically be entered into the Star Wine List of the Year International Final 2026 – this is the much-anticipated culmination of the awards season, in which all regional winners vie for Gold Stars against their global colleagues. The International Final is attended in person by many of the sommelier teams; the location of this year's final has not yet been disclosed.

Full information about the **2025/'26 tour** and the **International Open finalists** can be found on Star Wine List.

Finalists

Best Long List

For wine lists with more than 600 references

Africa and Middle East

- Archipel at Constance Prince Maurice, Mauritius
- Aubergine, Cape Town, South Africa
- Blue Penny Cellar at Constance Belle Mare Plage, Mauritius



- Culture Wine Bar, Cape Town, South Africa
- Cyann Restaurant, Mahé, Seychelles
- Diva, Praslin, Seychelles

Asia

- Abay & Inzhu, Almaty, Kazakhstan
- Constance Halaveli Maldives, Maldives
- Constance Moofushi Maldives, Maldives
- Gaddi's, Hong Kong
- Louise, Hong Kong
- Mesa by José Avillez, Macau
- Robuchon au Dôme, Macau
- Terroirs by LQV, Hong Kong

Australasia and Oceania

- Cru Bar & Cellar, Brisbane, Australia
- Hardy's Verandah, Crafers, Australia
- Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth, Perth, Australia
- Ten Minutes by Tractor, Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne, Australia

Europe

- Duomo, Ragusa, Italy
- ECK Restaurant, Devín, Slovakia
- MacCurtain Wine Cellar, Cork, Ireland
- Minne Champagne & Wine, Helsinki, Finland
- Moss Restaurant, Blue Lagoon, Grindavík, Iceland
- Prado Restaurante, Lisbon, Portugal
- Ristorante Albòri, Bellagio, Italy
- Savoy, Helsinki, Finland
- Trattoria al Cacciatore della Subida, Cormons, Italy
- Umberto a Mare, Forio, Italy

The Americas

- Acquerello, San Francisco, USA
- Anchoita, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Barberian's Steakhouse, Toronto, Canada
- Café Vivant, Menlo Park, USA
- Element 47 - Little Nell, Aspen, USA
- Enclos, Sonoma, USA
- Guy Savoy, Las Vegas, USA
- Le Coureur des Bois, Beloeil, Canada
- Nuri Steakhouse, Dallas, USA
- Quince, San Francisco, USA



- Smyth, Chicago, USA
- The Pines Modern Steakhouse, Highland, USA
- The Stonehouse, Santa Barbara, USA
- Vintage '78 Wine Bar, Kansas City, USA

Best Medium-Sized List

Recognises the best wine list with 200-600 references

Africa and Middle East

- Côte, Tel Aviv, Israel
- Grub & Vine, Cape Town, South Africa
- Hilton Istanbul Bosphorus, Istanbul, Turkey
- Lunacy, Cape Town, South Africa

Asia

- Andō, Hong Kong
- AUYL, Almaty, Kazakhstan
- Belon, Hong Kong
- Chesa, Hong Kong
- Grand Majestic Sichuan, Hong Kong
- Jean-Pierre, Hong Kong
- L'atelier par Yao, Taichung, Taiwan
- Le Wine Bar by Burgundy Cave, Taipei, Taiwan
- Restaurant Allen, Seoul, South Korea
- SUT. The Butcher's Edge, Seoul, South Korea
- Yulling, Busan, South Korea

Australasia and Oceania

- Attenzione! Food & Wine, Sydney, Australia
- Enoteca Boccaccio, Melbourne, Australia
- Jennie Wine Bar, Adelaide, Australia
- Le Foote, Sydney, Australia
- Mayfair Lane, Perth, Australia
- Olympus, Redfern, Australia
- Table Manners, Sydney, Australia
- Toast & Oak, Queenstown, New Zealand

Europe

- Bar Pez, Dublin, Ireland
- Café Savoy, Helsinki, Finland
- Café Savoy Prague, Prague, Czech Republic
- Country Terrace, Ghajnsielem, Malta
- Demo, Helsinki, Finland



- F.X. Buckley Pembroke Street, Dublin, Ireland
- Hydra - Fine Food & Wine Cellar, Salerno, Italy
- Mokotowska 69, Warsaw, Poland
- Parra Wine Bistro, Lisbon, Portugal
- Rocco, Lisbon, Portugal
- Rosa Madre, Dublin, Ireland
- Rozbrat 20, Warsaw, Poland
- Szara Gęś, Kraków, Poland
- Tomkat, Lucca, Italy

The Americas

- Antico Nuovo, Los Angeles, USA
- Bartolotta's Lake Park Bistro, Milwaukee, USA
- Copra, San Francisco, USA
- Counter-, Charlotte, USA
- K'u'uk, Mérida, Mexico
- Kitchen Istanbul, San Francisco, USA
- Nouvelle Bar & Bottle, Louisville, USA
- Restaurant Asteur, Boisbriand, Canada
- The Monarch Steakhouse, Aspen, USA

Best Short List

Recognises the best wine list with fewer than 200 listings

Asia

- Associazione Chianti, Hong Kong
- Brut!, Hong Kong
- Buenos Aires Polo Club, Hong Kong
- Di Yi Ding, Tainan, Taiwan
- Ho Lee Fook, Hong Kong
- IRON CHEF Teppanyaki & Wine, Taipei, Taiwan
- Prince and the Peacock, Hong Kong

Australasia and Oceania

- Charley Noble Eatery & Bar, Wellington, New Zealand
- Firepop, Sydney, Australia
- The Cellar Dunedin, Dunedin, New Zealand
- Timber Door Cellars, Geelong, Australia
- Yellow, Sydney, Australia

Europe

- Bistronomy, Bratislava, Slovakia
- Butchery & Wine, Warsaw, Poland



- FOLGA, Kraków, Poland
- Liath Restaurant, Dublin, Ireland
- Pöllöwaari, Jyväskylä, Finland
- Restaurant Nolita, Helsinki, Finland
- Vinho, Turku, Finland
- Wierzynek, Kraków, Poland

The Americas

- Anchoita Cava, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- El Preferido de Palermo, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Elena Horto, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- Familiar Creature, Saratoga Springs, USA
- Gnomo Vinhos, São Paulo, Brazil
- L'Abattoir, Vancouver, Canada
- Published On Main, Vancouver, Canada
- Wildlight Kitchen + Bar, Vancouver, Canada

Best Sparkling Wine List

Recognises the best list for sparkling wines

Africa and Middle East

- Archipel at Constance Prince Maurice, Mauritius
- Blue Penny Cellar at Constance Belle Mare Plage, Mauritius
- Culture Wine Bar, Cape Town, South Africa
- Cyann Restaurant, Mahé, Seychelles
- Diva, Praslin, Seychelles

Asia

- Andō, Hong Kong
- Constance Halaveli Maldives, Maldives
- Gaddi's, Hong Kong
- Justin's Wine & Bistro, Taipei, Taiwan
- L'atelier par Yao, Taichung, Taiwan
- Le Wine Bar by Burgundy Cave, Taipei, Taiwan
- Louise, Hong Kong
- Mesa by José Avillez, Macau
- Restaurant Allen, Seoul, South Korea
- Villa dei Fiori, Almaty, Kazakhstan
- Wine Clubhouse, Seoul, South Korea
- Wine Vin, Busan, South Korea

Australasia and Oceania

- Cru Bar & Cellar, Brisbane, Australia



- Hardy's Verandah, Crafers, Australia
- Mayfair Lane, Perth, Australia
- Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth, Perth, Australia
- Ten Minutes by Tractor, Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne, Australia

Europe

- Café Savoy Prague, Prague, Czech Republic
- Duomo, Ragusa, Italy
- ECK Restaurant, Devín, Slovakia
- Minne Champagne & Wine, Helsinki, Finland
- Pedro Lemos, Porto, Portugal
- Prado Restaurante, Lisbon, Portugal
- Restaurant Muru, Helsinki, Finland
- Ristorante Albòri, Bellagio, Italy
- Savoy, Helsinki, Finland
- Trattoria al Cacciatore della Subida, Cormons, Italy
- Umberto a Mare, Forio, Italy

The Americas

- Acquerello, San Francisco, USA
- Barberian's Steakhouse, Toronto, Canada
- Café Vivant, Menlo Park, USA
- Element 47 - Little Nell, Aspen, USA
- Enclos, Sonoma, USA
- Guy Savoy, Las Vegas, USA
- Le Coureur des Bois, Beloeil, Canada
- Nouvelle Bar & Bottle, Louisville, USA
- Nuri Steakhouse, Dallas, USA
- Quince, San Francisco, USA
- The Pines Modern Steakhouse, Highland, USA
- The Stonehouse, Santa Barbara, USA
- TUJU, São Paulo, Brazil
- Vintage '78 Wine Bar, Kansas City, USA

Best By-the-Glass List

Recognises the best 'by-the-glass' list

Africa and Middle East

- Archipel at Constance Prince Maurice, Mauritius
- Blue Penny Cellar at Constance Belle Mare Plage, Mauritius
- Culture Wine Bar, Cape Town, South Africa
- Cyann Restaurant, Mahé, Seychelles
- Côte, Tel Aviv, Israel



- Diva, Praslin, Seychelles
- Grub & Vine, Cape Town, South Africa
- Lunacy, Cape Town, South Africa

Asia

- Andō, Hong Kong
- Constance Halaveli Maldives, Maldives
- Gaddi's, Hong Kong
- IRON CHEF Teppanyaki & Wine, Taipei, Taiwan
- L'atelier par Yao, Taichung, Taiwan
- mato coffee wine, Hong Kong
- Mesa by José Avillez, Macau
- SUT. The Butcher's Edge, Seoul, South Korea
- Wine Clubhouse, Seoul, South Korea

Australasia and Oceania

- Charley Noble Eatery & Bar, Wellington, New Zealand
- Cru Bar & Cellar, Brisbane, Australia
- Enoteca Boccaccio, Melbourne, Australia
- Hardy's Verandah, Crafers, Australia
- Le Foote, Sydney, Australia
- Olympus, Redfern, Australia
- Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth, Perth, Australia
- Ten Minutes by Tractor, Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne, Australia
- Toast & Oak, Queenstown, New Zealand

Europe

- Bar Pez, Dublin, Ireland
- Butchery & Wine, Warsaw, Poland
- Café Savoy Prague, Prague, Czech Republic
- Demo, Helsinki, Finland
- Liath Restaurant, Dublin, Ireland
- Moss Restaurant, Blue Lagoon, Grindavík, Iceland
- Rocco, Lisbon, Portugal
- Rozbrat 20, Warsaw, Poland
- Szara Gęś, Kraków, Poland
- Vinho, Turku, Finland
- Vinissimo Restaurant & Wine Bar, Sopot, Poland

The Americas

- Anchoita, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Anchoita Cava, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Enclos, Sonoma, USA



- K'u'uk, Mérida, Mexico
- Le Coureur des Bois, Beloeil, Canada
- Nuri Steakhouse, Dallas, USA
- Smyth, Chicago, USA
- The Stonehouse, Santa Barbara, USA
- TUJU, São Paulo, Brazil
- Vintage '78 Wine Bar, Kansas City, USA

Best Newcomer List

Recognises a venue that has recently opened

All finalists and winners will be announced together, on 2 February 2026

Best Austrian Wine List, presented by **Austrian Wine**

Recognises the best list for the wines of Austria

Africa and Middle East

- Archipel at Constance Prince Maurice, Mauritius
- Blue Penny Cellar at Constance Belle Mare Plage, Mauritius
- Diva, Praslin, Seychelles

Asia

- Constance Halaveli Maldives, Maldives
- Constance Moofushi Maldives, Maldives
- Robuchon au Dôme, Macau

Australasia and Oceania

- Cru Bar & Cellar, Brisbane, Australia
- Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth, Perth, Australia
- Ten Minutes by Tractor, Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne, Australia

Europe

- Bistronomy, Bratislava, Slovakia
- Café Savoy Prague, Prague, Czech Republic
- Demo, Helsinki, Finland
- ECK Restaurant, Devín, Slovakia
- Minne Champagne & Wine, Helsinki, Finland
- Mokotowska 69, Warsaw, Poland
- Rozbrat 20, Warsaw, Poland
- Savoy, Helsinki, Finland

The Americas

- Element 47 - Little Nell, Aspen, USA



- Enclos, Sonoma, USA
- Guy Savoy, Las Vegas, USA
- Le Coureur des Bois, Beloeil, Canada
- Smyth, Chicago, USA
- The Stonehouse, Santa Barbara, USA

Best Italian Wine List

Recognises the best list for the wines of Italy

Africa and Middle East

- Archipel at Constance Prince Maurice, Mauritius
- Blue Penny Cellar at Constance Belle Mare Plage, Mauritius
- Cyann Restaurant, Mahé, Seychelles
- Côte, Tel Aviv, Israel
- Diva, Praslin, Seychelles

Asia

- Abay & Inzhu, Almaty, Kazakhstan
- Associazione Chianti, Hong Kong
- Constance Halaveli Maldives, Maldives
- L'atelier par Yao, Taichung, Taiwan
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- Le Foote, Sydney, Australia
- Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth, Perth, Australia
- Table Manners, Sydney, Australia
- Ten Minutes by Tractor, Mornington Peninsula, Melbourne, Australia
- Toast & Oak, Queenstown, New Zealand

Europe

- Alibertos, Crete, Greece
- Bottega Frawli, L-Imġarr, Malta
- Country Terrace, Ghajnsielem, Malta



- ECK Restaurant, Devín, Slovakia
- Mokotowska 69, Warsaw, Poland
- Moss Restaurant, Blue Lagoon, Grindavík, Iceland
- Rosa Madre, Dublin, Ireland
- Rozbrat 20, Warsaw, Poland
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- Acquerello, San Francisco, USA
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- Guy Savoy, Las Vegas, USA
- Le Coureur des Bois, Beloeil, Canada
- Nuri Steakhouse, Dallas, USA
- Quince, San Francisco, USA
- The Pines Modern Steakhouse, Highland, USA
- The Stonehouse, Santa Barbara, USA
- Vintage '78 Wine Bar, Kansas City, USA

Special Jury Prize

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Useful links:

- **[More information on the Star Wine List of the Year International Open 2026 and finalists](#)**
- **[Photos, press releases and media assets](#)**
- **[Information on the rest of the Star Wine List of the Year tour 2025/'26](#)**

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About Star Wine List

Star Wine List is the international wine lovers' guide to great wine bars and restaurants. Available as an app and at starwinelist.com, it was launched in Stockholm, Sweden in 2017, and is now live in more than 45 countries. All venues are selected by top wine professionals for the quality of their wine programmes.

*The **Star Wine List of the Year** competition celebrates the wonderful wine lists of the world and the dedicated sommelier teams who create them. Since its inception in 2018, this global tour has evolved to cover numerous*



territories. Its highly anticipated awards events recognise excellence in the wine and hospitality industries, and culminate in an International Final each summer.