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THE 17TH ANNUAL SUN PEAKS WINTER OKANAGAN WINE FESTIVAL



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Dubbed one of the **Best Winter Parties in Canada** (MSN.ca), the Sun Peaks Winter Okanagan Wine Festival is a delectable experience of wine, skiing, food and riding.

Embrace winter in the award winning alpine village of Sun Peaks and savour the wine culture of British Columbia. With 20 memorable events—including the flagship WestJet Progressive Tasting—it's easy to find an event for you and your friends. Plan to stay a few nights and enjoy a unique getaway that will have you talking for weeks.

**The Sun Peaks Winter Okanagan Wine Festival...
come join us!**

Call Sun Peaks Central Reservations at

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TheWineFestivals.com for more information.

Events & Information

JANUARY 16–25

SUN PEAKS WINE & DINE

Bella Italia Ristorante, Cahilty Creek Bar & Grill, Mantles Restaurant, Masa's Bar + Grill, Sun Peaks Lodge Steakhouse, Voyageur Bistro



Wine is life! And so is food! During the Sun Peaks Winter Okanagan Wine Festival, restaurants throughout the alpine village feature uniquely designed menus paired with British Columbian wines. It is a wonderful way to be introduced to the vibe of this unique festival. Sun Peaks Wine and Dine is held nightly and advance tickets are not required, however restaurant reservations are. Visit any participating restaurant to see their Wine and Dine menu and book your table!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16

I HEARD IT THROUGH THE GRAPEVINE

8:00pm Wine Tasting & Live Music • 10:30pm Cash Bar & Dancing
Masa's Bar + Grill • \$29 (Includes admission and 2 wine tasting tickets)



"It took us by surprise, we must say, when we found out yesterday that we heard it through the grapevine that there are fabulous BC wines under \$25!" That may be a mouthful to sing, but not hard to taste the value wines of British Columbia at our Sun Peaks version of a Friday night social. Masa's Bar + Grill is host to a great evening of wine and dancing. Climb the grapevine by spending the first part of the evening tasting wines from British Columbian wineries that retail for less than \$25. And as the evening fun grows, you can mingle, socialize and dance to a great local band. Wine tasting tickets will be available for purchase once inside, 5 tickets for \$10. This is a casual stand up and kick off your shoes event where you can yell, "Honey, honey, yeah!"

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17

COMFORTS OF GRILLED CHEESE & WINE

3:30pm to 5:30pm • Cahilty Creek Bar & Grill • \$55



Launched last winter, we are pleased to announce the return of one of the best après opportunities on the mountain! Grilled cheese sandwiches are a true winter comfort food that go so well with après ski. Join Dairy Farmers of Canada and four British Columbia wineries as eight different and memorable Canadian grilled cheese sandwiches are served within this mountainside restaurant location. Each unique Canadian Grilled Cheese sandwich will be served with two paired British Columbian wines and guests will shout out their favourite pairing.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

STARBUCKS SPARKLING BRUNCH

10:30am to 12:30pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$47



Relax, sleep in, and imagine the aroma of Starbucks coffee and the energy of British Columbia sparkling wines. Then turn your dreams into reality at the second annual Starbucks Sparkling Brunch. Starbucks Canada will present french presses of four fabulous coffees paired with four British Columbian sparkling wines. The executive chef from the Sun Peaks Grand Hotel & Conference Centre will complement your coffee and wine with a delightful small plate brunch while you discover how well these two unexpected components go together. This is an educational event so it will start promptly at 10:30am and we request everyone be on time because great coffee and sparkling wines can't be left waiting!



Wine Sampling



Dining



Seminar

VERTICAL GOES VINO

7:00pm • Vertical Café • \$65



Join the Gadsbys at Vertical Café for an intimate evening featuring spit roasted hickory buffalo served with grilled root vegetables and brown butter sage gnocchi with wine pairings sure to blow you away! Appetizer and a decadent dessert included. For this casual style dinner, you will be treated to a wonderful selection of family style Okanagan wines provided by BCWineshop.com.

MONDAY, JANUARY 19 BLIND TASTING PARTY

5:00pm to 7:00pm • Cahilty Creek Bar & Grill • \$45



Got a great palate? Prove it! Blind taste several wines and identify the varietals from the choices. Join the Cahilty Creek team for an extremely popular night identifying four BC red and four BC white wines. The evening is accompanied with great music, delectable appetizers, prizes and lots of fun with just a hint of intrigue!

MOONLIGHT SNOWSHOE & MULLED WINE

6:00pm to 7:30pm • Sun Peaks Snowshoe Trails • \$60



Join guides from Discover Sun Peaks Adventures and experience the magic of a Moonlight Snowshoe Tour. The evening begins with an easy 1km guided trek through beautiful forest trails. Enjoy time to relax around a roaring campfire at our cozy winter woodland camp. The return journey offers beautiful views overlooking the picturesque village and its sparkling lights! On our return to the village, enjoy included mulled wine in the cozy atmosphere of the Sun Peaks Lodge Steakhouse, the perfect place to stay for an optional dinner.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 20 THE BIG VARIETAL SHOWDOWN

2:00pm to 4:00pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$47



Join wine educator Gerrit Van Staalduinen as he introduces you to the most popular and widely grown varietals in British Columbia. Taste and compare side by side Pinot Gris, Gewurztraminer, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Merlot, and Meritage. You will be treated to fabulous wines and learn about each varietal—what food does it pair with? What makes a great varietal? New this year, this seminar is bound to provide a great perspective on BC wine.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21 TASTE OF SUN PEAKS

7:00pm to 9:00pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$65



This is a wonderful culinary and wine event that has become a hallmark of the Sun Peaks Winter Okanagan Wine Festival. Enjoy the culinary diversity of restaurants and caterers from Sun Peaks as they come together to treat you to an evening of small plate creations that will include delectable fine Canadian Cheeses presented by Dairy Farmers of Canada paired with eight British Columbia wineries. This stand up food and wine evening offers the opportunity to meet guests from around the world, listen to great live music and sample a wide range of freshly prepared culinary delights while meeting with wineries and learning about their success in British Columbia.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22 ICEWINES AND NOTHING LESS

2:30pm to 4:00pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$47



Okanagan's liquid gold, with its unique intensity of aromas and flavours, is the sole focus of this extraordinary seminar. Join our wine expert to compare the difference between selected Icewines and understand why Icewine is considered to be one of Canada's luxury retail brands.

EXPLORER SERIES

6:30pm • Voyageur Bistro • \$75



Step back in time for a historic evening complete with a five course tasting menu, wine pairings with each course by Gerrit Van Staalduinen of BC Wine Shop & tales of Canada's Fur Trader history featuring colourful characters such as David Thompson, Alexander McKenzie, Simon Fraser.

PORT, CHOCOLATE AND CHEESE: AFTER THE APRÈS SOCIAL

7:00pm to 9:00pm • Private Sun Peaks Residence • \$55



A secret, beautiful private residence awaits you for this one-of-a-kind intimate event. Courtesy of Sotheby's Realty, your hosts from the Okanagan Wine Festivals, Dairy Farmers of Canada, and Rocky Mountain Chocolates will whisk the group away to the secret location and spoil them with a selection of Port style wines emerging in the Okanagan, paired beautifully with Rocky Mountain chocolates and fine Canadian cheeses... a trifecta of taste sensation! This event sells out far in advance year after year, so book early.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 23

CANADIAN CHEESE & BRITISH COLUMBIA SYRAH

12:00pm to 1:30pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$47



Explore and discover some of Canada's most flavourful and unique cheeses, presented by Dairy Farmers of Canada. Soft, semi-soft, washed rind, firm, and hard cheeses all made from 100% Canadian milk will be featured from cheese producers across Canada. This is a great opportunity to learn more about pairing fine cheese with some of the best Okanagan Syrah.

AN INTIMATE WINEMASTERS' DINNER

6:00pm to 10:00pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$130



Join our extremely talented Executive Chef, Darren Kashin, known for his smoking and curing techniques, for a 4 course culinary adventure and wine pairing. His innovative flare and creativity will produce a mouthwatering menu celebrating locally grown produce from artisans and purveyors in the region matched to signature Okanagan wines. An intimate evening to elevate the senses.

Due to the complexity of the wine and food pairings for this dinner, we recommend that you review the menu before purchasing your tickets. Our Chef would be pleased to accommodate allergies with advance notice.

THE SUN PEAKS PROGRESSIVE TASTING PRESENTED BY WESTJET

Check in 4:00pm, Event 6:00pm to 9:00pm • Upper Plaza Square • \$69



Is there a better wine party anywhere? As the flagship of the Sun Peaks Winter Okanagan Wine Festival, close to 10,000 past attendees can testify to that! WestJet is proud to present a progressive wine tasting combining wines, fresh mountain air and good company, to create warm and wonderful memories of a Canadian winter. Wander around the charming alpine village tasting amazing wines from 30 British Columbian wineries while enjoying a memorable winter evening.

Please note that this event does not include a meal so it is recommended that you eat before you arrive.



Wine Sampling



Dining



Seminar

SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

SUN PEAKS WINTER OKANAGAN WINE FESTIVAL BRUNCH

10:00am to 12:00pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$50



A wonderful way to start your day. The brunch is incredibly popular and features a hot and cold buffet complete with BC wines. One of the best values at the festival, this is one event that never disappoints. Get your gang together and join us in the spacious surroundings of our ballroom!

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CHOCOLATE & OKANAGAN WINE

12:00pm to 1:30pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$47



Chocolate should never be eaten alone... it takes strength to face so many handmade chocolates and not eat them all at once! So bring a friend and join one of our wine experts for a delicious pairing of Rocky Mountain Chocolate and Okanagan wines. From white chocolate, to milk chocolate to chocolate covered fruit, you will get to experiment to find that perfect pairing with wine!

ASSEMBLAGE!

2:00pm to 4:00pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$47



Have you always thought it would be fun to try your hand at being a wine scientist? Assemblage is a phenomenal way to learn to blend your own wine. Join one of our winemakers and be introduced to an initial tasting of single varietals. Once your senses are awakened, participants are grouped into winemaking teams to experience the joy of blending wines. The afternoon finishes with a blind tasting of all the new blends followed by a vote for your favourite!

BRITISH COLUMBIA WINE AWARDS TUTORED TASTING

7:00pm to 10:00pm • Sun Peaks Grand • \$85



The British Columbia Wine Awards are held every October as part of the Fall Okanagan Wine Festival—one of the Top 100 events in North America. The Okanagan Wine Festivals acquires a selection of the award winning wines and reserves them just for you at this exclusive event. It is an educational evening meant for the serious wine enthusiast to complement their learning. The Executive Chef of the Sun Peaks Grand will design a seasonally inspired selection of small plates to accompany the exclusive wines. If you are looking for tips from a renowned wine educator and one of the great cheese experts from Dairy Farmers of Canada, this is an evening not to be missed.

MIXOLOGY TO MUSIC

8:00pm to 11:00pm • Powder Hounds Restaurant • \$65



Enjoy a mouth-watering, two course dinner while sampling four of the house bartenders' mixed wine cocktails. Finish your evening romancing the night away, dancing to the music of a local two-piece band. This is a great event for a date or an evening out with friends!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

BELLA ITALIA BRUNCH BUFFET

10:00am to 12:30pm • Bella Italia Restaurant • \$35



The finishing touch to the Sun Peaks Winter Okanagan Wine Festival! Enjoy British Columbian Sparkling Wine and an Italian-style brunch buffet featuring a wide variety of hearty breakfast, light lunch and satisfying dessert options.



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Dining



Seminar

FESTIVAL PACKAGES



10% OFF

Festival Experience Package

STARTING FROM \$469 PER PERSON

Enjoy three nights accommodation and four events of your choice. Book by November 22 and receive 10% off this package!

The advertised package pricing is based on one ticket each to the Taste of the Sun Peaks, Explorer Series Dinner, The Sun Peaks Progressive Tasting Presented by WestJet and the Sun Peaks Winter Festival of Wine brunch. Other restrictions may apply. Valid Friday, January 16, 2015 to Sunday, January 25, 2015.

10% OFF

Winter Getaway Package

STARTING FROM \$309 PER PERSON

Enjoy two nights accommodation and three events of your choice. Book by November 22 and receive 10% off this package!

The advertised package pricing is based on one ticket each to the Sun Peaks Progressive Tasting Presented by WestJet, Mixology to Music, and Bella Italia Brunch Buffet. Other restrictions may apply. Valid Friday, January 16, 2015 to Sunday, January 25, 2015.

The Progressive Tasting Package

STARTING FROM \$149 PER PERSON

WestJet is proud to present this memorable event combining wines, fresh mountain air and good company to create warm and wonderful memories of a Canadian winter. Wander around the charming alpine village while enjoying an unforgettable winter evening. This package offers one night of accommodation and one Progressive Tasting ticket.

The advertised package pricing is based on one ticket each to The Sun Peaks Progressive Tasting Presented by WestJet. Valid Friday, January 23, 2015 to Saturday, January 24, 2015.

Weekend Sampler Package

STARTING FROM \$145 PER PERSON

Enjoy one night accommodation and two events of your choice.

Package pricing is based on one ticket each to the Comforts of Grilled Cheese & Wine and the Starbucks Sparkling Brunch. Valid Friday, January 16, 2015 to Sunday, January 18, 2015.

Prices are shown in Canadian dollars, per person, and are based on double occupancy in our best value hotel room or studio. Upgrades available. Rates are subject to availability, do not include applicable taxes, and may change without notice.



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