

Rocky Mountain Wine and Food Festival returns after last year's sold out show at the Edmonton Convention Centre, November 3 & 4, 2023

Thousands expected to attend and enjoy pours from 20+ countries, alongside 40+ Alberta-based businesses at annual festival

(October 4, 2023 - Edmonton, AB): Rocky Mountain Wine & Food Festival (RMWFF), presented by Sobeys Liquor and Safeway Liquor, is one month away from welcoming Edmontonians to a one-of-a-kind food and beverage experience, November 3 and 4, 2023 at the Edmonton Convention Centre. With chefs and creators from over 15 restaurants and more than 200 wineries, breweries, cideries and distilleries, attendees will have a distinct chance to discover and broaden their palate through some remarkable sampling.

Building on the success of the SOLD OUT RMWFF 2022, attendees can expect to see even more vendors, as well as elevated fine-dining small bites, and extremely rare pours of the most sought-after spirits. This year's festival includes over 30 Alberta-based businesses that will be pouring delectable homegrown sips, including **Dark Woods Brewing & Coffee Roasting**, **Broken Oak Distilling Co**, **Bent Stick Brewing** and many more.

"Getting to chat with people who have not heard of us, tasted our barbecue, or sipped our beer before is always a highlight of our year" says Laura Coles, the Co-owner and Founder of Prairie Dog Brewing, who regularly appears on the festival. "But seeing those same people sitting at a table in our brewpub within weeks following RMWFF because they had such a great experience at our booth is a feeling like none other. The sampling experience at the festival creates new fans and energizes our industry."

Tickets are available at rockymountainwine.com, with sampling coupons available for purchase upon arrival.

"What's unique about Rocky Mountain Wine and Food Festival, especially this year, is the opportunity and access to industry leaders and knowledge. This is something that has never been done before at our festivals," says Festival Director, Fiona Standing. "When you are hearing from and speaking directly to experts and masters in their field, your experience truly goes beyond a tasting or sampling — it opens you up to a world of learning and what can evolve into a hands-on educational experience."

Festival Highlights

- **KLM Presenters Stage** - A first-of-its-kind partnership for RMWFF, official travel partner KLM Royal Dutch Airlines sponsors a stage for local Alberta businesses to share their restaurants, products, and brands, and educate attendees.

- **El Tequileño Tequila Experience** - A tasting flight led by El Tequileño Tequila's master distiller for the first time in Edmonton. Guests will be transported through the world of tequila and entered to win a trip to visit the distillery in Tequila, Mexico.
- **Riedel Glass Workshop** – A favourite from Winefest 2023, this wine glass workshop led by a Riedel expert will teach you about the relationship between the shape of a glass and the perception and enjoyment of wine.
- **Gerard Bertrand Wine Flight** - In their first appearance at RMWFF, the Gerard Bertrand Winery will pour a selection of premium biodynamic wines from Southern France in a fully guided wine flight experience, including a niche orange wine from their collection.

Feature Food and Beverage Experiences

From Mexico to Austria, more than 20 countries will be represented at this year's RMWFF. Attendees can explore the globe through diverse spirits and snacks, as well as their own backyard with local Edmonton cravings from **Fuzion Donuts**, **District 102**, **The Popcorn Co**, and delectable bites prepared by culinary champion, **Chef Serge Blair** and his amazing team of the **Edmonton Convention Centre**.

Making their RMWFF debut:

- **Weingut Salwey Winery** – From Kirchberg, Germany, this winery borders on one of the best-protected nature reserves in the country. They will be showcasing three new to market wines.
- **byHendo** - A new locally owned Banff company specializing in ready-to-drink and on-tap cocktails, priding themselves on the use of real juice to craft their cocktails.
- **Pablo Cheese Tart** - Japan's #1 freshly baked cheese tarts opened in Edmonton in 2021 and will be available for savoury snacking at this year's RMWFF.

Notable tastes:

- **Tomato Wheels Lambrusco** - A sparkling red wine, designed to be sipped chilled, created with the Salamino grape which is native to one region in the world, Emilia-Romagna, Italy.
- **Glenfarclas** - Multi-award winning Glenfarclas Single Highland Malt Scotch Whisky will be offering a rare opportunity to try their 12, 15, 17, and 40-year-old Single Highland and their 105 Cask Strength.
- **Taylor Fladgate** - Offering the unique opportunity to sample a Golden Age 50 Year Tawny Port from one of the oldest founding Port houses.
- **The Establishment Brewing Company** - The 2021 Canadian Brewery of the Year will be pouring some of their classics including 'My Best Friend's Girl' & 'Jam Rock', along with some new-to-market beers and a limited edition wild ale.
- **ATLAS Steak & Fish** - An Edmonton staple will be serving up an amazing Warm Prime Rib Bun including 100% Alberta Beef prime rib, red wine jus, toasted brioche bun, and truffle mayonnaise.

The list of festival highlights at RMWFF can be found [here](#).

Giving Back

This year, RMWFF aims to donate even more to fantastic organizations like the Edmonton Food Banks and the NAIT Culinary Campus. Guests are encouraged to bring a monetary or nonperishable food donation to the event to support the Edmonton Food Bank. Since 1998, the RMWFF has donated more than \$200,000 to local charities and organizations, thanks to help from festival guests and sponsors.

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Since 1998, the Rocky Mountain Wine & Food Festival in Edmonton and Calgary has brought together great people with great food and wine. Each year, it welcomes more than 25,000 attendees to discover a variety of fine wines, premium spirits, and craft beers alongside delicious bites from local chefs. Guests can explore and educate themselves — they'll find offerings not found anywhere else, and never before in one room. For makers, it's a unique chance to meet consumers face-to-face, share a glass, and build relationships. For all, it's a feast for the senses and a chance to connect over a mutual love of great food and drink. Rocky Mountain Wine & Food Festival is produced by Dunollie Castle Productions Inc. in Calgary and Edmonton and also produces [Winefest](#) in Calgary and Edmonton. Rocky Mountain Wine & Food Festival Calgary takes place October 13 and 14, 2023, and Rocky Mountain Wine & Food Festival Edmonton takes place November 3 and 4, 2023. For tickets and additional information, visit rockymountainwine.com.