



2026 DENVER INTERNATIONAL WINE COMPETITION

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Online Entry Deadline	September 15, 2026
Sample Delivery Deadline	September 21, 2026
Entry Fee	\$120 per entry
Bottles Required	4 × 750ml (or equivalent ounces)
Enter Online	enofileonline.com — Competition ID 3144
Ship Samples To	Wine Country Network, Inc. (DIWC) — 390 Interlocken Crescent, Suite 350, Broomfield, CO 80021
Payment	Net upon entry. Credit card preferred; checks payable to "Wine Country Network, Inc." Payment required before judging.

Price Categories

Entries are separated by suggested retail price into: A) Consumer (\$15 max) B) Premium (\$15.01–\$24.99) C) Ultra-Premium (\$25.00–\$49.99) D) Luxury (\$50+)

Entries are also separated by sweetness & style. New categories will be created upon request. Please use category numbers on your entry form.

NA (No Alcohol) and Low-Alcohol wines are accepted in all categories below.

CHAMPAGNE & SPARKLING WINES

101 Champagne (must be AOC Champagne made)

101A Extra Brut

101B Brut

101C Extra Dry

101D Sec

101E Demi-Sec

101F Doux

101R Rosé Champagne

102 Sparkling Wine (viniferous grapes only)

105 Prosecco (made in Italy)

110 Cava (made in Spain)

SANGRIA

120 Sangria — White

125 Sangria — Red

WHITE VARIETAL TABLE WINES

- 201** Off Dry White (1–3% sugar) *new clonal sub-cats: A = Wente/California, B = Burgundy/Dijon*
- 202** Late Harvest / Sweet White (4%+)
- 204** Pinot Blanc
- 205** Pinot Gris / Pinot Grigio
- 206** Sauvignon Blanc
- 207** Semillon
- 208** Chardonnay
- 209** Viognier
- 210** Dry Riesling (Trocken or Dry German)
- 212** Semi-Dry Riesling (Half Dry / Halbtrocken)
- 213** Gewürztraminer
- 214** Silvaner
- 215** White Rhône Blends
- 240** Other White Blends — New World
- 216** Other Dry White Wine — European
- 217** White Italian Blends
- 218** White Italian Varietals *sub-cats: A) Vernaccia di San Gimignano, B) Pinot Bianco, C) Ribolla Gialla*
- 219** Grüner Veltliner (Austrian Varietal)
- 220** Albariño (Spain)
- 221** Verdejo (Spain)
- 222** Vinho Verde (Portugal)
- 223** Chenin Blanc (France)
- 224** Alsatian Varietals
- 225** Marsanne
- 226** Roussanne
- 227** Grenache Gris
- 230** Tokay (Hungary) — all styles/sweetness
- 231** Furmint (Tokaj, Hungary)

ROSÉ TABLE WINES

- 250** Rosé — Dry Style — Vinifera
- 255** Rosé — Blush Style — Vinifera
- 260** Rosé — Dry Style — Hybrid
- 265** Rosé — Blush Style — Hybrid
- 270** Rosé — Dry Style — Indigenous
- 275** Rosé — Blush Style — Indigenous

RED VARIETAL TABLE WINES

- 301** Gamay (all types)
- 302** Grenache
- 303** Tempranillo
- 304** Barbera
- 305** Nebbiolo
- 306** Sangiovese
- 307** Malbec
- 308** Pinot Noir *new clonal sub-cats: P = Pommard, D = Dijon, C = CA/Martini*
- 309** Carménère
- 310** Merlot
- 311** Cabernet Franc (single varietal)
- 312** Cabernet Sauvignon
- 313** Zinfandel

- 314** Petite Sirah
- 315** Petit Verdot
- 316** Shiraz / Syrah
- 317** Garnacha
- 319** Pinotage (South Africa & domestic)
- 320** Other French Reds
- 321** Other Italian Reds *Sangiovese from Tuscany: A) Chianti, B) Chianti Classico, C) Brunello di Montalcino, D) Rosso di Montalcino, E) Vino Nobile di Montepulciano DOCG, F) Rosso di Montepulciano*
- 322** Other Spanish Reds
- 323** Other Portuguese Reds
- 324** Other Hungarian Reds
- 325** Greek Reds
- 326** European Reds
- 327** Other Red Wines — Old World
- 328** Other Red Wine — New World
- 329** Late Harvest Reds
- 335** Beaujolais Nouveau

RED BLENDS

- 350** Bordeaux Blends / Meritage
- 352** GSM Blends (Grenache-Syrah-Mourvèdre)
- 354** Red Rhône Blends
- 355** Super Tuscan Blends

ICE WINES

Canadian, American, Austrian, or German style

- 400** White Ice Wine
- 410** Red Ice Wine

FORTIFIED WINES

- 500** Port Wine (Portugal) *Ruby, Young Tawny, Aged Tawny & Vintage Port*
- 510** Fortified Muscats *New!*
- 520** Port Style (not from Portugal)
- 550** White Madeira (Portugal)
- 551** Red Madeira (Portugal)
- 560** Sherry (Spain)
- 570** Vin Santo (Italy) *fortified & non-fortified*

SPIRITS MADE FROM GRAPES

- 601** Cognac
- 602** Armagnac
- 603** Eaux-de-Vie
- 610** Grappa

ORGANIC WINE CATEGORIES

Entries must be certified organic or biodynamic

- 700** Organic — White
- 705** Organic — Rosé
- 710** Organic — Red

BOXED WINE CATEGORIES

800 Boxed — White

805 Boxed — Rosé

810 Boxed — Red

All entries require 4 × 750ml bottles or equivalent. Boxed wines: submit a minimum of 2 boxes of 3 liters. Separated by varietal and tasted together with bottled wines.

CANNED WINE CATEGORIES

820 Canned — White

821 Canned — White Sparkling

825 Canned — Rosé

826 Canned — Rosé Sparkling

830 Canned — Red

Requires 8 × 375ml cans or equivalent. Submit a minimum of 2 packs of 1.5 liters.

SAKE — NEW!

850 Junmai-shu

851 Ginjo-shu

852 Daiginjo-shu

853 Honjozo-shu

854 Namazake

All Sake entries require a minimum of 1.5 liters per entry.

AMERICAN VARIETIES

White American

900 Catawba

901 Concord

902 Diamond

903 White Muscadine

904 Niagara

905 White American Varietal (Delaware)

910 White American Blend

915 American Late Harvest & Ice Wine

Red American

920 Concord

921 Red Muscadine

922 Norton / Cynthiana

923 Steuben

925 Red American Varietal (Fredonia)

930 Red American Blend

935 American Blush / Rosé

FRENCH AMERICAN

White French American

940 Cayuga White

941 Chardonnay

942 Seyval Blanc

943 Traminette

944 Vidal Blanc

- 945** Vignoles / Ravat 51
- 946** White French-American Varietal (Blanc du Bois, Edelweiss, LaCrescent)
- 947** White French-American Blend
- 948** French-American Late Harvest & Ice Wine

Red French American

- 950** Baco Noir
- 951** Chambourcin
- 952** Chancellor
- 953** Dechaunac
- 954** Foch
- 955** Frontenac
- 957** Red French-American Varietal (Corot Noir, St. Croix)
- 958** Red French-American Blend
- 959** French-American Blush / Rosé

HONEY WINES & MEAD

- 960** Pure Honey Wines / Meads
- 961** Honey & Fruit Blend
- 962** Naturally Flavored Honey Wines
- 963** Dry Style Honey Wines
- 964** Sparkling Honey Wines

FRUIT WINES

- 970** Apple / Pear
- 971** Stone Fruit (peach, cherry, blends)
- 972** Berry (strawberry, raspberry, berry blends)
- 973** Dry Style Fruit Wines (oak-aged blueberry)
- 974** Tropical / Citrus
- 975** Flower / Vegetable

FRUIT BLENDS

- 980** Grape & Fruit Blends
- 981** Naturally Flavored
- 982** Hard Cider (<7% ALC)

TRENDY CONCOCTIONS

- 990** Chocolate
- 995** Cola

Questions?

Email info@winecountrynetwork.com or call 303.665.0855.

Ship samples early in the week so cartons arrive before weekends. All wines are stored in a temperature-controlled room prior to judging. There are no refunds for no-shows or damaged deliveries; management reserves the right not to taste/judge wines that arrive late.