

## IOWA COMMERCIAL WINE COMPETITION

Grandfather's Barn

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Iowa Commercial Wine exhibits will be open to the public during building hours each day of the Fair.

### RULES

1. Iowa Family Living general rules and regulations apply in this department. In case general rules conflict with Iowa Commercial Wine Department general or special rules, the latter shall govern.
2. **SUBMITTING ENTRIES.** Entries may be made online at [www.iowastatefaireentry.org](http://www.iowastatefaireentry.org). Entries may also be made by printing the form available at [www.iowastatefair.org](http://www.iowastatefair.org). Complete entry form and return it with **full payment** of all fees to: Iowa State Fair, Commercial Wine Department, P.O. Box 57130, Des Moines, Iowa 50317-0003.
3. **ENTRY DEADLINE IS JULY 1.** Entries must be submitted online or postmarked on or before July 1. No late entries will be accepted.
4. **ENTRY FEE.** Each exhibitor, as a requirement for entry, shall pay a fee of \$25.00 per entry (two bottles for each entry).

### ENTRY ELIGIBILITY

5. The Iowa State Fair Iowa Wine Commercial Competition is open to commercial Iowa wineries only.
6. **Entries must be made from grapes, vegetables, types of honey or fruit that is at least 75% sourced from or grown in Iowa.**
7. Only wines commercially available by the date of the competition may be submitted.
8. Two bottles must be submitted for each entry.
9. The commercial label must be attached to all bottles submitted.

### ENTRY FORM

10. The more information that can be given about the entry on the entry form, the more accurately it can be judged. It is important to completely fill out the entry form.
11. All wines must list the percent residual sugar (RS) and percent alcohol for each wine on the entry form.
12. If the wine is a blend or the bottle does not specify, the varietal(s) of grapes, fruit honey or vegetable **must** be specified on the entry form.

### DELIVERY OF ENTRIES

13. All entry forms and wines must be received July 1. Entries may be delivered 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday to the Entry Department, Iowa State Fairgrounds. Please have the bottles packed in a box. Entries must be delivered by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 1. **No late entries will be accepted!**
14. Entries may also be sent by mail. For standard mail, send to: Iowa State Fair, Commercial Wine Department, P.O. Box 57130, Des Moines, IA 50317. For UPS or FedEx, send to: Iowa State Fair, Commercial Wine Department, 3000 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, IA 50317. Shipped entries must arrive by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 1. **No late entries will be accepted!** In no case will packages be received and entries placed on exhibition, unless all charges are prepaid.
15. Shipped entries arriving late through no fault of the exhibitor will be judged only if the class has not already been judged.

### JUDGING

16. All judging will be performed "blind" by a panel of experienced judges. All reasonable efforts will be made to ensure that samples cannot be identified.
17. Wines will be judged in flights according to the class number and the residual sugar levels supplied on the entry form.
18. Competition coordinators have the right to reclassify entries if they believe the entry has been incorrectly classified. If the re-classification has already been judged, it will not be rejudged.
19. Judges reserve the right to combine classes when the number of entries is insufficient. Judges' decisions are final.
20. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded. Double Gold status will be awarded to unanimous gold medal winners.
21. A Best of Show winner will be selected from each division.
22. A Governor's Cup trophy will be awarded to the top overall winner, as selected and determined by the judges.
23. Best of Show winners will be eligible to be served at the Iowa State Fair Wine Experience at Grandfather's Barn. Approximately **25 cases** will be purchased at wholesale price and sold as 1 oz. servings to consumers at the event. A description of the Best of Show wines will be included on the menu board and in tasting sheets. Winners will be contacted after the competition with more details.
24. All medals will be mailed to the entrants after the Fair. There will be no bottle pick-up after the Fair.

### DISPLAY OF ENTRIES

25. Wine shall be in standard wine bottles with commercial label and Fair entry tag attached.
26. If both bottles are opened during judging, wineries will be notified and can supply another bottle for the public display.

### LIABILITY

27. The Management will use diligence in caring for the safety of entries after their arrival and placement, but in no case will they be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.

**WHITE WINES - DIVISION 1**

**CLASS**

- 1 Brianna
- 2 Catawba (white)
- 3 Cayuga White
- 4 Edelweiss
- 5 Esprit
- 6 Frontenac Blanc
- 7 Frontenac Gris (white)
- 8 La Crescent
- 9 La Crosse
- 10 Niagara
- 11 Prairie Star
- 12 Seyval Blanc
- 13 St. Pepin
- 14 Traminette
- 15 Vignoles
- 16 Other Hybrids
- 17 Other Natives
- 18 Blends with a white grape as predominate component

**RED WINES - DIVISION 2**

**CLASS**

- 19 Bluebell
- 20 Chancellor
- 21 Concord
- 22 Corot Noir
- 23 Frontenac
- 24 Geneva Red
- 25 Leon Millot
- 26 Marquette
- 27 Marechal Foch
- 28 Noiret
- 29 Norton / Cynthiana
- 30 Petite Pearl
- 31 Sabrevois
- 32 St. Croix
- 33 Steuben
- 34 Valiant
- 35 Other Red Hybrids
- 36 Other Natives
- 37 Blends with a red grape as the primary component

**FRUIT WINES - DIVISION 3**

**CLASS**

- 38 Apple
- 39 Aronia Berry
- 40 Blackberry
- 41 Blueberry
- 42 Cherry
- 43 Currant (Red or Black)
- 44 Elderberry
- 45 Peach
- 46 Pear
- 47 Raspberry
- 48 Strawberry
- 49 Other Fruits
- 50 Blended Fruit Wines

**OTHER WINES - DIVISION 4**

**CLASS**

- 51 Iowa Rose/Blush Wines
- 52 Honey Wines
- 53 Vegetable Wines
- 54 Dessert Wines
- 55 Sparkling/Carbonated Wines

**IOWA STATE FAIR**  
**Fair Dates: August 12-22, 2021**  
**Commercial Wine Entry Form**

**Entry form and wine must be postmarked on or before July 1.**

Mail form to: Iowa State Fair, Commercial Wine Department, P.O. Box 57130, Des Moines, IA 50317-0003

Phone: 515-262-3111 ext. 243 or 267

E-mail: [entryintern1@iowastatefair.org](mailto:entryintern1@iowastatefair.org)

Web: [www.iowastatefair.org](http://www.iowastatefair.org)

Winery Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Day Phone (Area Code \_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use Only	
Exhibitor Number _____	Receipt Number _____
Adult Ticket No. _____	
Child Ticket No. _____	Date Tickets Sent _____

<b>ENTRY FEES</b>	<b>No. Entries</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>
Commercial Wine Entries	_____ @ \$25.00 each	\$ _____

<b>FAIR DISCOUNT ADMISSION</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>
Adult Admission Tickets	_____ @ \$9.00 each	\$ _____
Children's Tickets (6-11 yrs.)	_____ @ \$5.00 each	\$ _____

**TOTAL REMITTANCE**.....\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Form of payment:  Cash/Money Order  Check  MasterCard  Visa **Make checks payable to: Iowa State Fair**

Card # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

Card Holder's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Div.	Class	Percent Residual Sugar	Percent Alcohol	Wine Name	Vintage	Grape or Fruit and %	Tasting Description	Price

Entries must be accompanied by all fees. There will be a \$20 charge for each returned check and issuer could be liable for up to three times the amount of the check. Cash, Cashier's Check or Money Order will be required if a check is returned for insufficient funds. No refunds of \$10 or less will be issued. All admission tickets and vehicle permits are non-refundable.