



43RD SCC WINE & GOURMET SERIES

# LAUDED & AWARD-WINNING

**USA WINES** 

Wine Pairing Dinner

Featuring Wines from Wente Vineyards

Date: Friday, 31 May 2024

From 7pm onwards

Member: \$128 per person Guest: \$148 per person

# **5 Course Dinner**

Welcome Drink

Wente Riverbanks Riesling

#### **CARPACCIO MARE**

Avocado Gel | Sorrel | Saffron Aioli | Aged Virgin Olive Oil

Wente Riva Ranch Vineyard Chardonnay

#### **ORECCHIETTE**

Ricotta | Iberico Pork Ragu | Black Truffles | Grana Padano

Wente Beyer Ranch Zinfandel

## **WAGYU BEEF CHEEK**

Espuma Celeriac | Caramelized Pearl Onion | Heirloom Baby Carrot

Wente Mount Diablo Highland

#### **DUCK CHAR SIEW CONFIT**

Parsnip Puree | Crisp Garlic | Pickles Cauliflower | Mustard Seed

Wente Wetmore Cabernet Sauvignon

# COCONUT MOUSSE & COMPRESS PINEAPPLE

Passion fruit Gel | Raspberry Crisp

#### **SCC COFFEE & TEA**

Petite Four

Degustation Wine Dinner Menu by Chef de Cuisine Chef William Leong

\*Vegetarian menu available upon request

Wine List	Special Take-Away
Wente Riverbanks Riesling, Livermore Valley, USA	\$48 (u.p. \$63)
Wente Riva Ranch Vineyard Chardonnay, Arroyo Seco, Monterey, USA	\$62 (u.p. \$82)
Wente Beyer Ranch Zinfandel, Livermore Valley, USA	\$48 (u.p. \$63)
Wente Mount Diablo Highland, Central Coast, USA	\$48 (u.p. \$63)
Wente Wetmore Cabernet Sauvignon, Livermore Valley, San Francisco Bay, USA	\$62 (u.p. \$85)

## **About Michael Parr**

For the past 23 years, Michael Parr has been managing international markets for Wente Family Estates, one of California's largest producers and exporters of premium and ultra-premium California wines. He was made Vice President of International Sales in 2010. A seasoned executive with direct experience in the wine import/export business, Mr. Parr today is focused on building the brands in the Wente Family Estates portfolio internationally, with a strong focus on Asia-Pacific, Europe, Caribbean and Canada. Traveling frequently to these markets, his expertise extends to sales and marketing as well as monitoring and evaluation of trends and growth potential.



Michael Parr

Prior to joining Wente Family Estates, Mr. Parr was based in The People's Republic of China and worked as Sales Director for the first American-Chinese joint venture company to import premium wines from around the world. During his tenure, he opened and managed distribution offices in Beijing and Shanghai, concurrently establishing distribution channels in many other key cities throughout the country. As a direct result of his extensive business and networking experiences in the Asia-Pacific region, Mr. Parr is poised with an invaluable knowledge of those challenging and sometimes volatile markets. His work at Wente Family Estates has increased this expertise to key markets worldwide.

Mr. Parr serves on the International Program Committees for The California Wine Institute, The California Travel & Tourism Commission (doing business as Visit California), and the East Bay Economic Development Alliance. He also serves on The Northern California District Export Council, appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce. Mr. Parr has lectured at University of California at Davis, The Wine Business Institute at Sonoma State University and other prominent establishments seeking his international expertise. Mr. Parr completed his WSET Level 3 Advanced Wine & Spirits Course in 2014. He currently lives in Livermore, California with his wife and their three children.