



CONCORSO ENOLOGICO INTERNAZIONALE
Vini passiti, liquorosi e aromatizzati
from 26 to 28 May 2022 – BERGAMO

REGULATIONS
**International Oenological Competition “Serendipity Wines”
for Dessert, Fortified and Aromatized Wines.**

2nd Edition

Art. 1 Organization

The Association Road of Valcalepio Wine and Bergamo's Flavors, under the supervision of the Organisation International de la Vigne et du Vin (OIV) and the scientific partnership of Centro Studi Assaggiatori and of a Good Senses, promotes the 2nd International Oenological Competition “Serendipity Wines” that will take place in the province of Bergamo on the 26th, 27th and 28th May 2022.

Art. 2 Purposes

The 2nd International Oenological Competition “Serendipity Wines” aims at:

1. Creating a worldwide competition focused on wines produced through processes that emphasize the sensorial aspects and highlight the peculiarities deriving from both production and natural environment;
2. Highlighting the worldwide high quality products pointing out at the consumers the best products available on the market for what concern this trending vine varieties that are widely cultivated all around the world;
3. Encouraging producers in the pursuit of quality in its most modern meaning, that is to say, the consumer's satisfaction.

Art. 3 Requirements for Participation

Only lots of wine produced in a minimum quantity of at least 100 liters may take part to the competition.

Wines may be presented by all types of firms as long as they are bottled and produced through processes of concentration and/or adding aimed at the accentuation of their sensorial characteristics, such as:

- Dessert Wines,
- Fortified Wines,
- Aromatized Wines.

All the wines presented by individual or associated producers against whom a final judgment for fraud or adulteration has been delivered during legal proceedings will not be admitted to the competition.

Art. 4 Wines Categorization

The 2nd International Oenological Competition “Serendipity Wines” is open to the following wines categories:

- Late Harvest Dry Red Still Wines with a Protected Designation of Origin (PDO) and a Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) mark if produced in the European Union (EU) and wines with a Geographical Indication (GI) mark if produced in Extra European Countries, where applicable;
- Late Harvest Dry White Still Wines with a Protected Designation of Origin (PDO) and a Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) mark if produced in the European Union (EU) and wines with a Geographical Indication (GI) mark if produced in Extra European Countries, where applicable;
- Sweet Red Still Wines with a Protected Designation of Origin (PDO) and a Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) mark if produced in the European Union (EU) and wines with a Geographical Indication (GI) mark if produced in Extra European Countries, where applicable;



- Sweet White Still Wines with a Protected Designation of Origin (PDO) and a Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) mark if produced in the European Union (EU) and wines with a Geographical Indication (GI) mark if produced in Extra European Countries, where applicable;
- Fortified Wines with a Protected Designation of Origin (PDO) and a Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) mark if produced in the European Union (EU) and wines with a Geographical Indication (GI) mark if produced in Extra European Countries, where applicable;
- Aromatized Wines with a Protected Designation of Origin (PDO) and a Protected Geographical Indication (PGI) mark if produced in the European Union (EU) and wines with a Geographical Indication (GI) mark if produced in Extra European Countries, where applicable.

In the classification and verification of the above mentioned denominations the European Union definitions or the country of production definitions shall be applied.

The Organization reserves the right to modify the categories depending on the number of enrolled samples.

Art. 5 Organizing Committee

The Organizing Committee is appointed by The Association Road of Valcalepio Wine and Bergamo's Flavors among its board members and technicians. The Organizing Committee shall appoint a public official to supervise the correctness of all the procedures required by these regulations and, in particular, the process of samples' anonymization.

Art. 6 Scientific Committee

The Scientific Committee is composed of representatives of the following organizations:

- Association Road of Valcalepio Wine and Bergamo's Flavors
- Consorzio Tutela Valcalepio
- Centro Studi Assaggiatori
- Good Senses.

Art. 7 Presidium

The presidium, in accordance with OIV regulations concerning the organization of Oenological Competitions, shall be composed of members of the Scientific Committee and/or persons selected by this same organization among persons suitable for performing the task.

Art. 8 Enrollment Procedures

Firm that intend taking part to the International Oenological Competition must send to the Strada del Vino Valcalepio e dei Sapori della Bergamasca (via Bergamo, 10 – 24060 San Paolo d'Argon BG – Italy) by the **30 April 2022**:

1. Application for participation according to Attachment A, available for download on www.serendipitywines.it, fully filled out;
2. Bank Transfer (please attach copy) of € 90.00 (ninety) for each reference presented made out to: Strada del Vino Valcalepio e dei Sapori Bergamaschi, via Bergamo 10 – San Paolo d'Argon (BG), Italy, IBAN Code: IT75G0538752470000042473213, SWIFT Code: BPMOIT22XXX, logging bank BPER Banca, Branch of Albano Sant'Alessandro (Italy), specifying that it is a fee for organizational expenses for a non-profit event;
3. 1 front and 1 back label identical to those applied on the bottles presented to the International Competition, in a closed envelope;
4. 3 bottles from the same lot with a capacity of 0,750 liters – or, as an alternative, 3 bottles from the same lot with a capacity of 0,500 liters or 4 bottles from the same lot with a capacity of 0,375 liters. The wine box must clearly mention: "Non Commercial Sample sent for the 2nd International Oenological Competition "Serendipity Wines";
5. Sampling report, drawn up on a specific form in accordance with the procedures enacted in the nation where the entrant has its registered office. The entrant accepts to permit access to its own premises to personnel assigned the task of taking samples;
6. Test Certificate, issued even by the cellars laboratory, containing, at the very least, the following parameters:
 - Alcohol title at 20°C;
 - Sugar content;
 - Total Acidity in g/l expressed in tartaric or sulfuric acid;
 - Volatile acidity, ppm;
 - Total sulfur Dioxide;

- Total free sulfur Dioxide.

For what concerns aromatized wines, the following parameters are requested:

- Alcohol title at 20°C;
- Sugar content;
- Volatile Substances Content;
- Methyl Alcohol content.

The certificate must mention the name of the Entrant presenting the wine and the enrolled wine with all data necessary for identifying the sample.

For Controlled Origin Wines the Entrant must submit the statement from the relevant authority certifying the name and origin of the wine.

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to make its own comparison and control tests. The Authorized Organization shall proceed to the control even with visits to the producers taking part to the Oenological Competition to verify the rightness of what stated in the enrollment forms and the attached documents. In case of divergences between what stated in the enrollments forms and the actual situation the wine lot is automatically excluded from the competition and the eventual irregularities will be reported to the competent authority.

Art. 9 Liability

The Organizers decline all liability in case of any delay in the delivery of the samples with respect to the established date, in case of partial or total loss of the samples during the shipment or the state of preservation of the samples. The Entrants are in charge of all costs related to the delivery of the samples.

Art. 10 Receiving of the samples

Once received, all the samples enrolled to the International Oenological Competition shall be preserved in compliance with the proper oenological techniques.

Before being submitted to the tasting committees, the samples of wines shall be anonymized using two special codes:

- The first assigned by the organization at the time of reception;
- The second assigned by a public officer formally appointed by the Organizing Agency before the submission of the sample to the tasting committees.

Art. 11 Rating

The rating of the samples will take place in Bergamo Province on 27 May 2022 by special committees composed of at least five members – oenologists, oenotechnicians, sensorialists, professional tasters, sommeliers and wine & food journalists – the majority of whom must be of foreign origin and technical background in accordance with the OIV 332A/2009 Regulation.

The Committees shall judge the samples based on the rating method of the Union Internationale des Oenologues as established by OIV 332A/2009 Regulation.

Rating shall be expressed independently by each member and the final score shall be calculated as provided by the aforementioned regulations.

The judgments of the committees are unappealable.

Art. 12 Privacy

To safeguard the prestige of Entrants, the Organizing Committee shall publish only the awarded wines list. Neither the names of enrolled producers nor the score assigned to individual samples shall be published.

Art. 13 Recognition and Award

Minimum score for awarding honors is 80/100 points as established by art. 14 of OIV 332A/2009 Regulation.

The final result for each wine is calculated by the arithmetic mean of the individual judgments after the removal of ratings that differ more than seven points from the mean itself, as established by art. 13 of OIV 332A/2009 Regulation.

Based on the score achieved and based on what established by OIV Regulations, all wines belonging to each category shall be awarded ex-aequo, following the 30% limit set by OIV, with the following honors:

- Grand Gold Medal: score of at least 92/100 points,
- Gold Medal: score of at least 85/100 points,



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- Silver Medal: score of at least 82/100 points,

And shall be recognized with the following honor “2nd International Oenological Competition Serendipity Wines” consisting in a certificate. Awarded participants may purchase bottle stickers with the logo of the competition and the awarded medal. The stickers may only be applied to the bottles belonging to the production lot awarded during the competition.

The proclamation of the winners will take place in Bergamo on 28th May 2022 during a specific ceremony and shall subsequently be published on the website www.serendipitywines.it.

No other reproduction of “Serendipity Wines” logo is allowed, neither on bottle stickers nor on certificates.

Art. 14 Inspections

The winners of the International Competition must permit inspections and any taking of samples in their own cellars by the Organizing Committee or its appointees. All honors assigned to them (during the awards ceremony) shall be invalidated whenever they have not fully complied with the Regulations.

Art. 15 Court of jurisdiction and modifications to the regulations

The Court of Bergamo shall have jurisdiction over all disputes. These regulations may undergo variations subject to explicit request by relevant Authorities or for organizational requirements.