

Missouri Wine & Grape Board Newsletter

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Missouri Medals

Missouri wines were big winners in the latest international wine competitions...check out our GOLD!

At the Pacific Rim International wine competition Stone Hill Winery Concord and St. James Winery Country Red and Strawberry earned Best of Class Gold medal honors. Solid Gold went to Augusta Winery 2008 Seyval, St. James Winery Velvet White and 2008 Vintner's Select Vignoles, Stone Hill Winery 2006 Norton and 2008 Vignoles and Blumenhof Winery 2008 Valvin Muscat.

In New York at the Finger Lakes International wine competition Baltimore Bend Winery 2005 Chambourcin and St. James Winery 2005 Cynthia won Gold.

In California at the Riverside International wine competition three Missouri wineries earned elite Chairman's Award Gold medals: Augusta Winery for their 2008 Vidal, St. James Winery for their 2008 Vintner's

→ Social Media Swirl

People are tweeting, twittering, friending, fanning and YouTubing all over the place these days, including Missouri Wines. Join us!

Follow us on Twitter at <http://twitter.com/MissouriWines>

Catch up with Norton at <http://twitter.com/NortonSays>

Become a fan of Norton on Facebook at www.facebook.com or check out Norton on YouTube at www.youtube.com/user/Nortonsays08

Visit the Missouri Wine channel at www.youtube.com/user/MissouriWine

→ Meet Chambourcin

Say hello to Chambourcin, a bold red wine with fruity aromas, peppery flavors and an intense ruby red color. Typically made as a dry wine, many Missouri wineries also make semi-dry and sweet dessert versions of this versatile grape. Chambourcin is excellent on its own, great in a blend, and serious as a sweet wine. Try pairing Chambourcin with barbeque or pasta dishes; with the dessert version, dark chocolate is delicious.



Easy to grow with a consistent high crop yield, Chambourcin is winter hardy and an extremely vigorous and disease-resistant grape: a favorite of growers here in the Show-Me state. As a matter of fact, Chambourcin makes up a healthy 10% of all the grapes planted in Missouri. A hybrid cross, Chambourcin is also widely grown in the Nantes region of France and is made



Select Vignoles, and Stone Hill Winery for their 2008 Traminette.

For a complete list of Missouri medals visit the Trophy Case at www.missouriwine.org

→ Site-See

Check out these Missouri wine blogs for all the latest on what's happening in the world of MO wine:

[Missouri Wine Girl](#)

[A Day in the Life of a Missouri Winery](#)

[Cave Vineyard](#)

[Jowler Creek Vineyard & Winery](#)

[OOVVDA Winery](#)

[PeacefulKT's Pursuits](#)

[The Bend Blog](#)

[Amigoni Vineyards](#)

[Rolling Meadow Vineyards](#)

[Little Hills Winery](#)

into both rosé and red table wines.

→ Block Bacteria

Adding red wine to your daily diet can help protect you from food borne illnesses according to researchers at our own University of Missouri-Columbia. Red wines, particularly those high in resveratrol like Chambourcin and Norton, inhibit food borne pathogens without harming beneficial probiotic bacteria. Both the alcohol in wine and resveratrol were found to have similar effects.

→ Not to Miss Missouri Wine Events

Columbia Food & Wine Festival, June 20 - 27

Eight days of extraordinary cuisine and world-class wines in Columbia, MO. The festival will feature more than 300 wines from all over the world and include tastings, wine dinners, art and shopping events, seminars, and cooking demonstrations. Relax and digest between festival activities at the Norton Lounge, sponsored by the Missouri Wine & Grape Board. Participating Missouri wineries include: Adam Puchta Winery, Augusta Winery, Baltimore Bend Winery, Crown Valley Winery, Les Bourgeois Winery, Montelle Winery, Stone Hill Winery, St. James Winery and Wenwood Winery. For more information or to purchase tickets visit www.ColumbiaWineFest.com

GardenFest: A Food & Wine Experience, June 13

The Heartland Harvest Garden at Powell Gardens in Kansas City makes its debut to the public with a celebration of food and wine. The evening will include foods from the region's top chefs who specialize in locally grown, fresh ingredients, plus appearances by connoisseurs of chocolate, coffee, beer, wine and other delectable treats whose ingredients can be found in the Heartland Harvest Garden. For tickets go to www.powellgardens.org

Missouri Wine and Food Festival, July 4

Wine tastings and classes, food demonstrations, and artists all set up on the back lawn of the Historic Elms Resort in Excelsior Springs, MO. Missouri wineries offering samples include: Indian Creek Winery, Jowler Creek Winery, Mount Pleasant Winery, Riverwood Winery, St. James Winery, Stone Hill Winery and Wenwood Farm Winery. For more info and tickets visit www.eswinefestivals.com

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