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CHAMPION WINE SERIES

The Stampede Cellar Showdown is an annual wine competition that supports the Calgary Stampede's Agri-Food Vision and strengthens year-round engagement with producers, industry and consumers.

Open to Canadian and international wines available at Alberta retail, the Showdown upholds world-class standards through highly respected officials and a refined format to guarantee integrity and quality.

In 2026, 459 wines competed across eight categories—red, white, rosé, sparkling, fortified, non/low alcohol, fruit and mead. Judged double-blind by 30 experts including Masters of Wine and Master Sommeliers, the competition was supported by over 50 volunteers over three days. Wines are awarded bronze, silver, gold or double gold purely on quality, with champions crowned in each major category.

Congratulations to all the 2026 Stampede Cellar Showdown Champions. These celebrated wines are featured in our Champion Wine Series.

**We encourage you to enjoy the greatest wines on earth,
at The Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth!**

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PIPER-HEIDSIECK BRUT NV

Champagne, France

Top Sparkling Double Gold

Pale gold in the glass with a lively stream of fine bubbles, this Champagne opens with lifted notes of orchard apple, citrus peel, and fresh pear layered alongside hints of toasted brioche and almond.

The palate is vibrant and polished, revealing flavours of white peach, lemon cream, and delicate honey tones carried by crisp acidity. Elegant mousse and refreshing minerality lead into a bright, lingering finish.

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TYRRELL'S HVD SÉMILLON 2017

Hunter Valley, Australia

Double Gold

Light straw in colour, this Semillon shows expressive aromas of lime blossom, green apple, and preserved lemon with subtle mineral undertones.

The palate is focused and energetic, balancing citrus-driven flavours with a lightly waxy texture and mouthwatering acidity. Notes of lemon pith and crushed stone carry through a clean, precise finish with excellent freshness..

190



PENFOLDS BIN 311 CHARDONNAY

South Australia, Australia

Top White Double Gold

Bright lemon-gold in appearance, this Chardonnay offers layered aromas of nectarine, grapefruit zest, and white peach accented by hints of roasted cashew and delicate oak spice.

The palate is refined and linear, combining citrus curd and stone fruit flavours with subtle mineral character and fine French oak influence. A crisp acidity frames the wine through to a polished, lingering close.

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ROMBAUER VINEYARDS CARNEROS CHARDONNAY

Napa Valley, USA

Silver

Golden straw in hue, this Chardonnay opens with generous aromas of ripe peach, baked pear, and tropical citrus layered with vanilla, toasted oak, and warm baking spice.

Rich and creamy on the palate, flavours of melon, caramelized citrus, and buttery pastry unfold with impressive depth and texture. Smooth oak integration and soft acidity create a long, rounded finish..

200



FRANK FAMILY CARNEROS PINOT NOIR

Napa Valley, USA

Silver

Ruby red in colour, this Pinot Noir reveals fragrant aromas of ripe cherry, wild raspberry, and soft baking spice with touches of cedar and forest floor.

Silky and medium-bodied on the palate, it delivers red berry fruit, pomegranate, and subtle earthy nuances supported by smooth tannins and lively acidity. The finish is graceful, savoury and persistent.

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RICASOLI BROLIO CHIANTI CLASSICO RISERVA 2021

30 120

Tuscany, Italy

Grand Champion

Deep ruby in colour, this Chianti Classico Riserva offers aromas of red cherry, plum, and dried cranberry woven with hints of sweet spice, leather, and earthy herbs.

The palate is structured yet vibrant, showing layers of dark berry fruit balanced by fresh acidity and polished tannins. Savoury undertones and a touch of spice linger through a refined, textured finish.



TINHORN CREEK RESERVE CABERNET FRANC

32 130

Okanagan Valley, Canada

Top Canadian

Dark ruby in the glass, this Cabernet Franc displays aromas of cassis, blackberry, and dark plum alongside floral violet notes and subtle savoury spice.

The palate is smooth and medium-bodied with juicy black fruit flavours, gentle oak tones, and lively acidity adding lift and balance. Fine tannins carry through to a polished and lingering finish.



M. CHAPOUTIER LES MEYSONNIERS CROZES HERMITAGE SYRAH

28 110

Rhône, France

Top Red Double Gold

Rich ruby-purple in colour, this Syrah opens with aromas of black raspberry, blackberry, cracked pepper, and violet layered with earthy undertones.

On the palate, ripe dark fruit and savoury spice are framed by supple tannins and a rounded texture. Notes of smoked herbs and subtle minerality add complexity through the long, balanced finish.



AZELIA BAROLO DOCG 2021

220

Piemonte, Italy

Reserve Grand Champion Double Gold

Garnet-ruby in hue, this Barolo reveals lifted aromas of red cherry, rose petal, and raspberry intertwined with notes of licorice, tobacco, and dried herbs.

The palate is powerful yet composed, offering layered red fruit, earthy spice, and subtle leather supported by firm tannins and vibrant acidity. Elegant floral tones linger through an exceptionally long and structured finish.



PODERE SALICUTTI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2019

320

Tuscany, Italy

Gold

Bright garnet in colour, this Brunello shows expressive aromas of black cherry, dried strawberry, and violet accented by hints of forest floor, spice, and wild herbs.

The palate is concentrated yet finely detailed, combining ripe red and dark fruit with notes of licorice and earthy complexity. Firm, finely woven tannins and fresh acidity bring precision and length to the finish..

SOMMELIERS & CELLAR MASTERS



ANDREW PAULSEN

Andrew is originally from Australia where he studied wine from a marketing perspective, developing a liking for shiraz and syrah. An interest in history and travel led Andrew to Canada where he now permanently resides.

During his now 25 plus years in Calgary, Andrew has been involved in the food and beverage business becoming a sommelier and instructor with both the International Sommelier Guild and the Wine Spirits Education Trust (WSET).

Andrew is also a certified cicerone, a recent grandfather and has been working for Calgary Co-op Wine Spirits Beer for more than 10 years. "Champagne and Italian wines are where my palate wanders".



GEORGE HATAJLO

A sommelier for 11 years at the prestigious Bears Den Restaurant, George created and maintained a list of over 450 labels, being given the Award of Excellence by Wine Spectator Magazine nine years in a row.

Although George is partial to the Rhône region of France, he is a supporter of Canadian producers and a true ambassador of BC wines. He is known for having the most selections in the city on the lists he curates.

Growing up in Montreal in the sixties, weekends were all about family and friends sharing food, wine and music. George embodies the spirit of always trying to bring those experiences to life in his career.



KEVIN SCHORATH

It all started with an interest in archaeology and completing a B.Sc from the University of Calgary. His curiosity with ancient production of alcoholic beverages around the world remains a steadfast passion.

Kevin spent four years working in the world of fine dining at Azuridge Estate Hotel, when he began to pursue his WSET diploma. After making a move to the Vin Room in Mission, he continued with his studies and completed his WSET diploma in 2017. Kevin's first eight years of his career were in hospitality and fine dining. You can now find him working at Calgary Co-op Wine Spirits Beer as one of the sommeliers.



JENNY BOOK

Wine educator, contract speaker, freelance writer, and wine and spirit judge. With over 20 years of experience in the wine industry, Jenny has dabbled in many facets of the wine world.

Currently, her main gig is in wine education, sharing her passion and knowledge of wine with many local and international students. She has taught WSET courses across Canada and the USA to the highest level available in North America.



FILIFE MENDES

Filipe has worked with the Calgary Stampede since 2007, starting in The Lazy S as lead bartender and later as an operations manager. He has been in the food and beverage industry for over 20 years.

Filipe takes great pride in empowering people by coaching them to identify what they love in wine and to later be able to replicate these enjoyable experiences on their own. He completed his WSET Level 3 advanced certificate and has been a sommelier since 2016.



GILBERT DREYFUSS

Gilbert was introduced to wine at a very young age by his father who was a wine connoisseur. He was exposed to some of the world's most interesting wines.

Gilbert has been working in the wine industry in Calgary for over 20 years, first at Kensington Wine Market and currently at Market Wines.

He has visited many world-renowned wine regions including Bordeaux, Burgundy, Catalunya, Chianti, Napa and more. Gilbert has an abundance of wine courses under his belt including the WSET series.



AARON SZOTT

Born and raised in Calgary, Aaron has been a lover of wines since his youthful years. The magic began by sharing some ice wine with his father and from there, Aaron's lifelong love affair has taken him from Albariño to Zweigelt, with many stops along the way.

Aaron's passion for wine and his appreciation for the wealth of memories that are attached to that perfect bottle led him to complete WSET Level 3 in 2020. He excels at demystifying wines and helping people find that next great moment lurking just beneath a cork.

SPARKLING & CHAMPAGNE	5 OZ	BTL
CANELLA PROSECCO DOC BRUT Veneto, Italy	18	85
ANCIANO CAVA BRUT Penedes, Spain		85
LOUIS BOUILLOT PERLE D'AUREORE CRÉMANT DE BOURGOGNE ROSÉ Burgundy, France	27	105
PIPER-HEIDSIECK BRUT NV 🍷 Champagne, France		220
MOET & CHANDON BRUT IMPERIAL NV Champagne, France		240
VEUVE CLICQUOT BRUT NV Champagne, France		240
DOM PERIGNON VINTAGE 2014 Champagne, France		800

ROSÉ	6 OZ	BTL
ROSE GOLD CÔTES DE PROVENCE Provence, France	26	100
RES FORTES Côtes du Roussillon, France		110

PINOT GRIGIO GRIS	6 OZ	BTL
BOLLINI PINOT GRIGIO DOC Trentino, Italy	19	75
BLUE MOUNTAIN PINOT GRIS Okanagan Valley, Canada		95
ZIND-HUMBRECHT PINOT GRIS Alsace, France		165

SAUVIGNON BLANC	6 OZ	BTL
GERARD FIOU SANCERRE Loire Valley, France		180
INVIVO Marlborough, New Zealand	19	75
CLARENDELLE BLANC SAUVIGNON BLANC / SÉMILLON BLEND Bordeaux, France	28	110
DOG POINT Marlborough, New Zealand		120

CHARDONNAY

6 OZ BTL

ALBERT BRENOT CHABLIS

Burgundy, France

130

CEDARCREEK ESTATE VQA

Okanagan Valley, Canada

25

95

PENFOLDS BIN 311

South Australia, Australia

190

PATRICK JAVILLIER CUVÉE FORGETS

Burgundy, France

190

ROMBAUER VINEYARDS CARNEROS

Napa Valley, USA

200

UNIQUE WHITES

6 OZ BTL

WHITTMANN 100 HILLS TROCKEN RIESLING

Rheinhessen, Germany

80

VEIGA DA PRINCESA ALBARIÑO

Rias Baixas, Spain

110

PIEROPAN SOAVE CLASSICO GARGANEGA

Veneto, Italy

22

100

TYRRELL'S HVD SÉMILLON 2017

Hunter Valley, Australia

190

DOM DES SENECHAUX CHÂTEAUNEUF DU PAPE BLANC BLEND

Rhône, France

200

PINOT NOIR

6 OZ BTL

ALBERT BICHOT BOURGOGNE CÔTE D'OR 'SECRET DE FAMILLE'

Burgundy, France

180

ADELSHEIM

Willamette Valley, Oregon

160

SCHUG

Sonoma Coast, USA

26

100

MEYER FAMILY MCLEAN CREEK ROAD

Okanagan Valley, Canada

130

CHIANTI & SANGIOVESE

6 OZ BTL

RICASOLI BROLIO CHIANTI CLASSICO RISERVA 2021 

Tuscany, Italy

30

120

ISOLE OLENA CHIANTI CLASSICO

Tuscany, Italy

180

FONTODI CHIANTI CLASSICO DOCG

Tuscany, Italy

185

NEBBIOLO & BAROLO

6 OZ BTL

BORGOGNO NO NAME NEBBIOLO

Piemonte, Italy

150

FONTANAFREDDA BAROLO DOCG

Piemonte, Italy

120

AZELIA BAROLO DOCG 2021 

Piemonte, Italy

220

MERLOT

6 OZ BTL

CHATEAU ST. MICHELLE CANOE RIDGE

Washington, USA

150

MISSION HILL FAMILY RESERVE

Okanagan Valley, Canada

27

105

COTARELLA MONTIANO

Lazio, Italy

180

SPAIN

6 OZ BTL

MARQUÉS DE RISCAL XR RESERVA

Rioja, Spain

150

BODEGAS LAN GRAN RESERVA

Rioja, Spain

135

MALBEC

6 OZ BTL

MANOS NEGRAS STONE SOIL

Uco Valley, Argentina

100

CATENA ALTA

Mendoza, Argentina

210

BORDEAUX

6 OZ BTL

MAISON MERVEILLE RED BLEND

Bordeaux, France

19

75

CLARENDELLE SAINT EMILION

Bordeaux, France

160

BRULIERES DE BEYCHEVELLE HAUT-MÉDOC

Bordeaux, France

170

ZINFANDEL aka. PRIMITIVO

6 OZ BTL

STEELE ZINFANDEL

Lake/Mendocino County, USA

100

SINFAROSA PRIMITIVO DI MANDURIA ZINFANDEL

Puglia, Italy

130

SHIRAZ & SYRAH | GRENACHE

6 OZ BTL

M. CHAPOUTIER LES MEYSONNIERS CROZES HERMITAGE SYRAH

Rhône, France



28

110

POPLAR GROVE SYRAH

Okanagan Valley, Canada

150

E. GUIGAL GIGONDAS GSM STH

Rhône, France

170

LANGMEIL SHIRAZ

Barossa Valley, Australia

120

CABERNET SAUVIGNON | FRANC 6 OZ BTL

TINHORN CREEK RESERVE CABERNET FRANC  32 130
Okanagan Valley, Canada

LYETH ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 20 80
California, USA

DECOY CABERNET SAUVIGNON 160
Napa Valley, USA

WYNN'S BLACK LABEL CABERNET SAUVIGNON 140
Coonawarra, Australia

BLACK ANGUS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 195
Victoria, Australia

JOHN DUVAL COMPONO CABERNET SAUVIGNON 200
Barossa Valley, Australia

PAUL HOBBS CABERNET SAUVIGNON 350
Napa Valley, USA

BRUNELLO 6 OZ BTL

POGGIO LANDI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 220
Tuscany, Italy

PODERE SALICUTTI BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2019  320
Tuscany, Italy

BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO DOGC 2019 TUSCANY, ITALY 320
Tuscany, Italy

RED BLENDS 6 OZ BTL

TERRASOLE TRIO 2011 220
Tuscany, Italy

OSOYOOS LAROSE LE GRAND VIN 2020 220
Okanagan Valley, Canada

RESERVE

BTL

DOM PERIGNON VINTAGE 2014

Champagne, France

800

JEAN-LOUIS CHAVY PULIGNY-MONTRACHET 1ER CRU 'LES FOLATIERES' CHARDONNAY 2023

Burgundy, France

400

DOMAINE DELARCHE 2021 CORTON RENARDES GRAND CRU

Burgundy, France

300

CESARE BUSSOLO DEL COMUNE DI LA MORRA BAROLO 2020

Piemonte, Italy

300

GAJA BARBARESCO 2022

Piemonte, Italy

750

MASCARELLO MONPRIVATO BAROLO 2013

Piemonte, Italy

800

CLOS DES PAPES 2019

Châteauneuf-du-Pape, France

300

DOM BARGE COTE ROTIE COEUR DE COMBARD 2020 NTH

Rhône, France

325

MONTES 'PURPLE ANGEL' CARMENERE 2019

Colchagua Valley, Chile

270

POPLAR GROVE LEGACY (BORDEAUX BLEND) 2017

Okanagan Valley, Canada

220

CHATEAU MALARTIC LAGRAVIERE 2016 PESSAC LEOGNAN

Bordeaux, France

300

ANTINORI TIGNANELLO 2022

Tuscany, Italy

350

TERRASOLE BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO RISERVA 2016

Tuscany, Italy

350

HENSCHKE MARBLE ANGEL CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021

Barossa Valley, Australia

270

GRGICH HILLS ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021

Napa Valley, California

275

DON MELCHOR CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2021

Maipo Valley, Chile | WS #1 wine 2024

350

CHATEAU PONTET-CANET 2016

Bordeaux, France

650

LARGE FORMAT | MAGNUM

BTL

CÔTE DES ROSES ROSÉ

Languedoc, France

200

TERRALSOLE BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2007

Tuscany, Italy

500

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Tuscany, Italy

500

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Tuscany, Italy

500

LARGER FORMAT | JEROBOAM

BTL

TERRALSOLE BRUNELLO DI MONTALCINO 2010

Tuscany, Italy

1350

DESSERT & PORT

2 OZ

INNISKILLIN OKANAGAN RIESLING ICEWINE

Okanagan Valley, Canada

40

L. LURTON BARSAC SAUTERNES

Bordeaux, France

20

RAMOS PINTO PORT 20-YEAR-OLD TAWNY

Douro, Portugal

25

DRINKS

BRANDED

8 SECOND MOTT'S CLAMATO CAESAR | 2 OZ 24

OFFICIAL COCKTAIL OF THE CALGARY STAMPEDE

Skyy vodka (6), Mott's Clamato juice, house-made rim, mud mix

Saddled: Beef jerky, green bean, dill pickle, hint of lime

CS MADE | 2 OZ 23

Eau Claire Stampede Canadian rye whisky, lemon juice,

honey-ginger syrup, fresh basil

SPARKLING WRANGLER | 5 OZ 23

Chambord liqueur, sparkling wine, lemon juice, fresh raspberries, edible

gold glitter

WRANGLER | 2 OZ

SCORCH & TORCH 25

A wood-torched smoked glass with a premium ice cube, orange bitters, candied orange

Choice Syrup: Pine | Maple Bacon

Choice Spirit: Woodford Reserve whisky | El Tequileño Reposado tequila

Bacardi 8 rum

MUSTANG MULE 23

Woodford Reserve whisky, ginger beer, lime juice, candied ginger,

fresh mint

OH MOJITO 23

Bacardi White rum, lime juice, simple syrup, club soda, fresh mint

Choice: Classic | Raspberry & Mint | Yuzu & Ginger

RANGELAND COLADA 23

Bacardi White rum, coconut syrup, passionfruit syrup, heavy cream, lime

juice, club soda, fresh pineapple, dehydrated lime

BADLANDS MARGARITA 23

Espolon Reposado tequila, Cointreau liqueur, lime and cranberry juice,

agave, salted rim, dehydrated lime

Classic Margarita 22

ROSEMARY PALOMA 23

El Tequileño Reposado tequila, grapefruit and lemon juice, rosemary

simple syrup, prosecco, salted rim, fresh rosemary

Classic Paloma 22.5

MINTED ROYALE 23

Hendrick's gin, Yellow Chartreuse liqueur, lemon juice, elderflower syrup,

sparkling wine, fresh mint and dehydrated lemon

BRAMBLE 22.5

Eau Claire Parlour gin, Crème de Mûre liqueur, lemon juice, simple syrup,

fresh blackberry and lemon

RASPBERRY SHRUB 23

Skyy vodka (6), ginger beer, fresh raspberries, acetum, orange bitters,

candied ginger and fresh basil

FRONTIER COWBOY 23

Skyy vodka (6), Kahlúa liqueur, cold brew espresso, milk, coffee beans

HOWDY ROWDY COCKTAIL OF THE DAY 19

Ask your server for details.

REFRESHED | 6 OZ

APEROL SPRITZ 23
Aperol aperitif, prosecco, club soda, dehydrated orange

PINK SANGRIA 23
Rosé wine, Chambord liqueur, muddled raspberries, lemon juice, club soda, fresh raspberry, dehydrated orange

TEMPERANCE DEAR | ZERO-PROOF

DIRTY SODA 12
Diet Coke, coconut syrup, lime juice, heavy cream, cherry juice, maraschino cherry and fresh lime

CUCUMBER LIME CHILLER 12
Cucumber juice, lime juice, simple syrup, club soda, fresh cucumber and lime

EARL GREY TONIC 14
Earl Grey tea, simple syrup, tonic, fresh lemon

NOT APEROL SPRITZ 14
Undone No. 7 Not Italian Aperol, club soda, zero-proof sparkling wine, dehydrated orange

DRAFT

STELLA ARTOIS 15
500 ml

BANDED PEAK MICROBURST 15
500 ml

BEER

BUDWEISER 11.5
341 ml

BUD LIGHT 11.5
341 ml

CORONA 13.5
330 ml

BANDED PEAK RIDE ON 14.75
473 ml

CORONA CERO 0.0% 9
330 ml

COOLERS & CIDERS

CUTWATER LIME MARGARITA 14.75
355 ml

OKANAGAN HARVEST PEAR CIDER 12.5
355 ml

SPIRITS | 1 OZ

VODKA

Sky (6) 13.5 | Tito's 13.75 | Grey Goose 14.5 | Belvedere 14.5

GIN

Eau Claire Parlour 13.5 | Empress 1908 Indigo 14.5
The Botanist Islay 15 | Hendrick's 15

RUM

Bacardi White 13.5 | Captain Morgan Original Spiced 13.5
Bacardi 8 14 | Bumbu 14 | Mount Gay XO Triple Cask Blend 25

TEQUILA & MEZCAL

Espolon Blanco 13.5 | El Tequileño Reposado 14
Patrón Silver 17 | Don Julio 1942 35 (ICE SHOT GLASS)
Madre Mezcal 20

WHISKY & BOURBON

Eau Claire Stampede Canadian 13.5 | Jameson Irish 13.5
Crown Royal 14 | Maker's Mark 15.25 | Woodford Reserve 15.5

SCOTCH

The Glenlivet 12 YR 20 | Auchentoshan Three Wood 21
Oban 14 YR 22 | Dalmore 12 YR 24
Lagavulin Islay Malt 16 YR 25
The Macallan Double Cask 15 YR 32.5
Johnnie Walker Blue Label 34

LIQUEURS

Baileys 13.5 | Kahlúa 13.5 | Grand Marnier 13.5
Jägermeister 13.5 | Limoncello 13.5

COGNAC

Courvoisier VS 13 | Rémy Martin 1738 18 | Hennessy XO 32