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These 2 Charity Wine Auctions Are Worth Your Time And Money



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Heart's Delight Wine Tasting and Auction



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The four day Heart's Delight Wine Tasting and Auction will feature dinners, tastings, master classes, and auctions with [+]

One day of wine isn't enough for the team behind the annual [Heart's Delight Wine Tasting and Auction](#). In the Washington, D.C. event's 19th iteration, Heart's Delight will feature four days of dinners, tastings, master classes, and auctions from May 9 to May 12, bringing together great chefs, vintners, and even members of Congress. Taking part in the events will be top winemakers like Dan Petroski of Larkmead Vineyards and Massican in Napa, Thibault Pontallier of the famed Bordeaux estate

Château Margaux, and Aline Baly of first growth Sauternes producer Château Coutet. Founded in 1999 by Ruth Bassin of MacArthur Beverages, Heart's Delight has raised over \$20 million since its inception for the American Heart Association, which works to fight heart disease and stroke.

Bordeaux lovers will be pleased by this year's lineup, which features the iconic region extensively. A series of intimate dinners featuring estates like Château Cos d'Estournel and Château Kirwan, along with other world gems like Sandhi Wines from Santa Barbara and Passopisciaro from Mount Etna, while a Bordeaux master class will feature at least 11 top estates like Domaine de Chevalier and Château Lynch-Bages. Those wineries and more will be participating in the grand tasting capping off the Heart's Delight events, which also includes a silent and live auction.

The auction lots carry through the Bordeaux theme, featuring Imperial, or six-liter, bottles of both Château Coutet 2014 and Château Montrose 2010. Château Margaux will auction off a special, gold-etched bottle of the wine's 2015 vintage dedicated to the winery's late wine director Paul Pontallier. A lot of at least 10 bottles of 1982 Bordeaux, widely considered one of the region's most legendary vintages, will feature wines from Château Haut Brion, Château Latour, and Château Gruaud Larose, among others. Tickets are [available online](#) until May 2.