

# Decanter Panel Tasting Request for samples

## **American Merlot**

Wines will be tasted blind by a panel of three experts. This tasting will feature in the issue of *Decanter* magazine published in **May of 2024** and also online on Decanter Premium.

### Criteria for entry

- Merlot wine from any recognized American appellation
- Wine must meet 75% Merlot if the wine is blended with other varieties per **US** regulations for varietal designation
- Wine must be a "current release." note: wine does not need to be available in the UK

Decanter reserves the right to make a final selection to ensure the limit of 100 entries is upheld. Any selection will be an impartial editorial decision.

This means some entries may not be included in the panel tasting. However, we will endeavour to taste those wines at a later date and publish notes/scores on Decanter.com or Decanter Premium.

#### Requirements

- Online entry form to be completed before dispatching samples
- Two bottles of each wine entered

< IF YOU DO NOT COMPLETE THE ONLINE ENTRY FORM (link above) BEFORE YOU SHIP YOUR SAMPLES, WE WILL NOT INCLUDE THEM IN THE TASTING >

Deadline for samples: 31st January 2024

Please ensure you arrange with your courier to cover all such costs and paperwork needed

Please send all samples to

Javier Soto-Miranda (Ame Merlot) 121-141 Westbourne Terrace Paddington London W2 6JR

EORI: GB713111493000 +447867488806 If you would like to send your wine for the tasting, we strongly recommend that you send it as soon as you are able to allow for British customs processing time

If you have any questions regarding the document you have to provide when sending samples, please see:

#### Import, export and customs for businesses

Thank you in advance for submitting your wine. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Events & Awards Logistics Team:

#### Javier Soto-Miranda

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#### Please note:

- 1) Decanter does not pay any charges (Duty VAT, delivery, etc) that arise from shipping your wine. Please ensure you arrange with your courier to cover all such costs. In many cases this can be done by ticking the appropriate box on the shipment/airway bill, requesting that the Shipper pays Duty & Tax etc. You risk your wine not being entered if this is not resolved beforehand. Many thanks for your cooperation.
- 2) If we do not receive your online form of required wine details via email before the tasting deadline or when the entry reaches capacity, whichever is sooner, your wine will be disqualified.
- 3) When wines are tasted, their results will be published in the magazine. We will not remove from publication the results and score of any wine that has been tasted.
- 4) Leftover wines may be used in *Decanter* promotional tasting events. Please let us know if you do not want your wines to be used in this way.