

2024. F.I.C.B. International Wine Tasting and Rating Challenge Budapest / Tokaj May 23-28, 2024

Dear Friends,

The Pannonia Wine Sisterhood will host the second edition of the F.I.C.B. International Wine Tasting and Rating Challenge in Hungary.

The main program will be held in Budapest, from **May 23 to May 26, 2024** followed by the extension program in Tokaj, from **May 26 to May 28, 2024**

In addition to beautiful historic cities and wine regions you will be pampered by superb gastronomic, wine and touristic programs including individual blind tasting competition and a collective rating of all the wines served during the event.

The Ladies of the Pannonia Wine Sisterhood are very much looking forward to your visit to Hungary!

We can't wait to meet you,

Ildiko Kemenyne Koncz
Grand Master and the Ladies of the Pannonia Wine Sisterhood



Thursday, May 23, 2024 – WELCOME to Budapest

AM	Arrival at the airport
	You will be greeted by members of the Pannonia Wine Sisterhood
	Transfer to the Hotel Radisson Blu Beke Check in at the hotel
17:00 - 18:00	Registration desk will be open in the lobby
18:00 - 18:45	Welcome reception offered by the Pannonia Wine Sisterhood at the hotel - Venice, Romeo and Juliet rooms
19:00 - 21:00	Welcome dinner at Shakespeare room
	First collective wine rating





Friday, May 24, 2024 – Enjoy Budapest

- 09:00 - 10:15 **First session of the Individual Blind tasting** at the hotel – Zsolnay room
- 10:30 - 13:00 **Rendez-vous with Budapest** - city tour by coach and walk
You will see the highlights of Budapest, its most important monuments
- 13:00 - 14:45 **Lunch at Restaurant Robinson** on the Pest side
Second collective wine rating
- 14:45 **Enthronization ceremony by the Pannonia Wine Sisterhood**
- 15:30 Return to the hotel or time at leisure
(Castle area, Market hall, shopping)
- 18:45 Meet at the lobby for a **Dinner cruise on the Danube**
Third collective wine rating



Saturday, May 25, 2024 – Visit Hungary's countryside

- 09:00 - 10:15 **Second session of the Individual Blind tasting** at the hotel - Zsolnay room
- 10:30 Leave for **Godollo**, visit to Sisi's favorite **Palace in Hungary**

The Godollo Palace is one of the most important, largest monuments of Hungarian baroque palace architecture. Let's travel back in time to see its beautiful rooms, royal suites, theatre, chapel, gardens, and park
- 13:00 - 15:00 **Lunch at Restaurant Queen Elisabeth**
Fourth Collective Wine rating
- 15:00 Return to the hotel in Budapest
- 15:45 - 19:00 Time at leisure or Shopping or Stroll around the hotel
- 19:00 **Gala dinner at the Hotel**
Fifth collective wine rating
Award ceremony, dancing, party





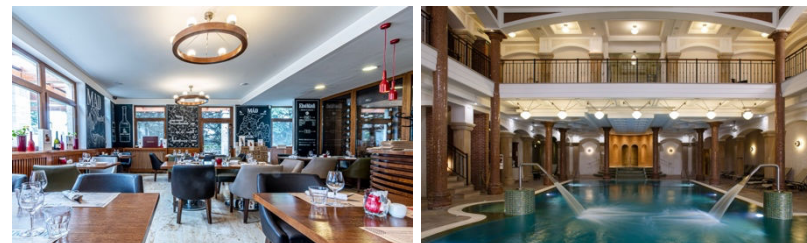
Sunday, May 26, 2024 – Farewell to Budapest, Welcome to the extension program

- 07:00 - 09:00 Sparkling Farewell Breakfast at the hotel
- 09:30 Leave for the airport or **Leave for the Extension Program**
- 11:30 Arrival in **Eger**, get acquainted with this beautiful baroque city
- 13:00 **Lunch at Fuzio**, a combination of a wine cellar and a bistro by the very famous **Gal Tibor Winery Award winning red wines!**
- 15:00 **Transfer to Tokaj**
- 17:00 Check in at the **Andrassy Manor and Spa**, a gorgeous five-star property of the region
- 18:30 Short walk to the **Wine Research Institute** to get first-hand information about **the wine region and the best ASZU wines**
- Enjoy a dinner composed to the wines of the Lady Wine makers of the area**
- 21:30 Short walk back to the hotel



Monday, May 27, 2024 – Our Tokaj Day

- 09:00 Transfer from the hotel to explore the world famous **historic Tokaj wine region**
- 09:30 - 13:00 Visit **two totally different Wineries**, listen to their stories, taste the wines, called Kings of the Wines, Wines of the Kings...
- 09:30 – 10:15 Our first stop is **the Patricius Winery**, where tradition, values, uniqueness and balance walk hand in hand
- 10:30-12:45 The second one to visit is the opposite in style, **Winery Oremus**, a real jewel of Tokcsva, owned by Vega Sicilia
- 13:00 - 15:30 **Lunch at Restaurant Aszuhaz in Mad Meet the winemakers of this very famous settlement, Mad and taste their excellent wines**
- 15:30 Transfer back to our hotel in Tarcsl
- 16:00 Time at leisure, enjoy the beautiful spa of our hotel
- 19:00 **Farewell dinner at the hotel, complemented with the wines of Szepsy Winery – BEST WINERY OF EUROPE'2022**
- Unforgettable wines and a great dinner to say Goodbye to Hungary**





Tuesday, May 28, 2024 – Farewell to Hungary

- 09:00 **Leave for the airport in Budapest**
- 12.30 **Arrive at the airport**
- 13:00 Arrive at downtown Budapest (in case of staying longer in Budapest)
- Please note, transfer time from Tokaj to the airport takes approx. 3,5 hours.
- Please allow 1,5 hours for European flights' check-in and 2 hours for oversee flight's check-in.
- Please book your flight departing after 14:00

Have a safe flight, thank you for coming to Hungary

General information

For further information regarding the program please visit our event website: <http://www.ficbwinechallenge2024.hu>

Deadline for registration: October, 15, 2023

We are more than happy to assist you with your Registration:

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Rules for the 2024 F.I.C.B. International Wine Tasting and Rating Challenge
– please find it on the F.I.C.B. website <http://www.winebrotherhoods.org>

Supply of wines: Detailed information to follow

Registration deposit of EUR 300,- per person is due not later than October 15, 2023.

Final payment is due not later than January 31, 2024



Registration – Participation fee

2024 FICB International Wine Tasting and Rating Challenge
Main program – May 23-26, 2024 Budapest

Hotel Radisson Blu Béke****

Accommodation in double Superior room	EUR 1.400,- per person
Accommodation in single Superior room	EUR 1.690,- per person

Enthronement of the Pannonia Wine Sisterhood
EUR 150,- per person (one guest per Wine Brotherhood is free)

Extension program – May 26-28, 2024 Tokaj

Andrassy Manor and Spa*****

Accommodation in Superior double room	EUR 950,- per person
Accommodation in Superior single room	EUR 1.128,- per person

Above costs include taxes, accommodation, transfers, meals, tours as outlined in the program

Please indicate if you prefer a twin room (two separate beds)

Cancellation policy

Cancellation by 15 February 2024 75% refund of full payment minus
EUR 100,- processing fee per person

Cancellation by 15 March 2024 50% refund of full payment minus
EUR 100,- processing fee per person

Cancellation after 15 March 2024 no refund

Any cancellation must be confirmed in writing by the person who made the original booking

In case of force majeure, travel restrictions by WHO or the respective country: full refund minus EUR 100,- per person processing fee
For those guests who have registered for the cancelled 2022 Wine Tasting and Rating challenge, there will be a refund of EUR 100.- per person as promised. The event will be organized in case of minimum 50 participants.