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Platinum Wine Vault Collector's Tasting

A Signature Wine & Food Week Event returns to The Woodlands August 21, 2020 with safety measures in place and an amazing line-up of wines.

HOUSTON (August 7, 2020) – Good news for serious wine lovers. Wine & Food Week, the annual and beloved signature event is launching some of its 2020 line-up in a flighted scheduled between August and October with enhanced and rigorous safety protocols in place. Events that will take place this year include: The Platinum Wine Vault Collectors Tasting, August 21; Ladies of the Vine September 25; Wine Walk at Market Street October 1; and Nach-Yo Ordinary Tequila Tasting October 29. Tickets are on sale at wineandfoodweek.com.

The first up on the calendar is **The Platinum Wine Vault Collectors Tasting**, a sanctioned Wine & Food Week event for serious wine enthusiasts, which will be held August 21 at Bayway Cadillac of The Woodlands. Offering over 70 premium wines from all over the world, many highly coveted by wine collectors. Attendees will enjoy selections at 14 wine tasting stations that are distanced for COVID safety. "Who would ever expect to have Cakebread or Perrier-Jouët Belle Epoque Tête de cuvées served by face mask-clad, rubber-gloved serving staff enthusiastically sharing these upper tier selections? But here we are," said Founder Constance McDerby.



McDerby went on to explain that she and co-founder hubby, Clifton have worked long and hard to keep the 16-year tradition of wine appreciation and celebration through Wine & Food Week. "We take safety very seriously as evidenced by our 20-page safety protocol manual implemented at all events. Like dining at a restaurant, we know that social distancing and socializing can safely occupy the same space and that attendees will continue to have new wine discoveries and experiences," added McDerby.

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Described as the most comprehensive event from New Orleans to Aspen, Wine & Food Week is a tradition that has spotlighted culinary talent the likes of former White House Chef John Moeller, wine experts like Master of Wine, Tim Hanni and wine legend and Houstonian, Guy Stout. "We were the first multi-day event launched in Houston and over the years we've worked with an extraordinary cadre of culinary and wine talent. We had such a blast celebrating 15



years last year and are so looking forward to our new offerings in new formats in

2020," mentioned
McDerby. For some,
it's a line-up of finding
a new favorite taste
and for others it's the
opportunity to try
something they have
never heard of. "For
us, Wine & Food Week



is always a beloved reunion and we can't wait to share it again even in these unusual times," remarked McDerby.

SCHEDULE OF 2020 EVENTS

- Friday, August 21 Platinum Wine Vault at Bayway Cadillac of The Woodlands
- Friday, September 25 Ladies of the Vine at The Club at Carlton Woods
- Thursday, October 1 Wine Walk at Market Street
- Thursday, October 29 Nacho Ordinary Tequila Tasting at The Woodlands Country Club Palmer Course

To purchase tickets, sign up to volunteer and for more information, visit www.wineandfoodweek.com.

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ABOUT WINE & FOOD WEEK AND FOOD & VINE TIME PRODUCTIONS

Wine & Food Week, produced by Food & Vine Time Productions, is the first multi-day, multi-faceted, comprehensive destination culinary and wine event in Houston Metro and the first nationally to promote locally sourced and sustainable products. Wine & Food Week has always been committed to elevating Houston's culinary scene which it has supported since 2005, showcasing the incredible diversity and culinary talent in Houston. Owners Clifton and Constance McDerby are dedicated to enhancing the quality of life and health of Houstonians by educating the novice to the aficionado on wines and diverse dining encouraging locally-sourced and sustainable ingredients, an early pioneer in the Eat and Drink Local movement. Food & Vine Time Productions created another first with the state's first multi-day craft beer destination and educational event featuring over 300 craft beer selections. Brewmasters Craft Beer Festival has been named #3 beer event in America by USA Today and #1 in Houston by Houstonia Magazine. Food & Vine Time Productions also produces Wine Fair Cy-Fair, Zest in the West, Katy Sip N Stroll, BrewMasters Craft Beer Festival, Houston Chronicle Culinary Stars, Tomball's Freight Train Food Truck Festival and a myriad of private events for various clients. Since its inception in 2002, Food & Vine Time Productions has assisted in raising well over \$2 million dollars for local charities through live and silent auctions and cash donations.

