



List of Unique, One-of-a-Kind Wine, Food and Travel Experiences Continues to Grow for 2026 Naples Winter Wine Festival Live Auction

Among the latest experiences are a nine-night sojourn through Italy's living masterpieces; seven indulgent nights in Paris and Bordeaux courtesy of Château Cos d'Estournel and Messika; a 14-night ultimate European exploration from London to Spain, including 11 nights aboard Evrima with The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection; and four unforgettable nights in California with NBA legends Isiah Thomas and Chris Mullin and Cardinale Winemaker Chris Carpenter

NAPLES, FL. (January 13, 2026) – Excitement is continuing to build as even more incredible wine, food and travel experiences are unveiled for the 2026 Naples Winter Wine Festival live auction, including an exclusive experience in Nashville celebrating music, fine wine and gourmet food courtesy of The Setting Wines; an extraordinary Arabian escape for five nights at Bvlgari Resort Dubai; a five-night luxurious adventure in Chile and three-night exploration of Napa Valley, paired with fine wines from Spottswoode Estate Vineyard & Winery; and an idyllic Bahamas voyage aboard the 115-foot M/Y *Spirit*, plus three nights in a private six-bedroom residence.

With the theme “Picture This,” the Naples Winter Wine Festival returns to The Ritz-Carlton Naples, Tiburón for its 26th anniversary on January 30, 2026 through February 1, 2026, showcasing the very best wines, exquisite cuisine and impressive auction lots, all to benefit the most vulnerable children in Collier County. It is one of the world’s most prestigious charity wine auctions, raising more than \$336 million and impacting the lives of 385,000 children since its inception in 2001.

“Our team has worked throughout the year with our generous donors and loyal supporters in curating some truly remarkable wine, food and travel experiences for this year’s live auction,” said Joe Matina, Naples Children Foundation Trustee and Auction Lot Committee Member. “We anticipate that these unique experiences will encourage our patrons to bid high and bid often.”

Auction lot highlights include:

- **“The Best of Paris and Bordeaux in One Week”:** One winning couple will spend seven indulgent nights in Paris and Bordeaux. The trip begins with Roundtrip, Business Class Airfare from the United States to Paris, where guests will enjoy five nights’ accommodations in Junior Suites at La Réserve Paris. During their stay, they will experience an immersive discovery tour of Maison Messika’s Haute Joaillerie Atelier and design studio; an intimate visit with Founder and Artistic Director Valérie Messika with the opportunity to design a bespoke High Jewelry piece from one of Messika’s iconic collections; a behind the scenes tour of the Paris Opéra Garnier; and a private Riva Yacht

tour on the River Seine. The final itinerary can be customized, including options for private museum tours, spa treatments and more based on the winners' preferences. Guests also will enjoy two dinners at Three Michelin-starred Le Gabriel, served with Cos d'Estournel wine, and a multi-course dinner at a One Michelin-starred restaurant served with select wines. The couple will then travel to Bordeaux for two nights' accommodations in Superior Rooms at La Maison d'Estournel. While in French wine country, they will enjoy two multi-course dinners at La Maison d'Estournel, served with Cos d'Estournel wine as well as a private tour and tasting at Cos d'Estournel with a member of the winemaking team.

- **"Crown Jewels to Coastlines: A Lavish European Escape by Land and Sea"**: Two couples will travel on a 14-night ultimate European exploration from London to Spain from Tuesday, August 25, 2026 to Tuesday, September 8, 2026. The trip includes Roundtrip, Business Class Airfare from the United States to London and returning from Barcelona. The journey begins in London with three nights' accommodations in Deluxe Junior Suites at The Dorchester. Experiences include a full-day "Diamonds in the Rough: Discovering London's Dazzling Gems" tour, hosted by NWWF Auctioneer Humphrey Butler, including a private pre-opening tour of the Tower of London and Jewel House, tour of Hatton Garden and Bloomsbury, lunch at Holborn Dining Room, and private tour of Sir John Soane's Museum. Guests also will also participate in a half-day tailored experience in London, including a lavish gallery lunch hosted by Butler. The couples will then board *Evrima* for an 11-night voyage in The Loft Suites with The Ritz-Carlton Yacht Collection. The itinerary includes stops in Cowes, Isle of Wight, England; Bordeaux, France; Porto, Portugal; Lisbon, Portugal; Cartagena, Spain; and Ibiza, Spain. Guests will also enjoy all-inclusive fare aboard *Evrima* at multiple dining venues, including premium beer, wine and spirits and non-alcoholic beverages, along with access to a personal Suite Ambassador.
- **"From Courtside Power to Mountain Precision"**: Three couples will experience four unforgettable nights including NBA legends and legendary wine in California. The trip begins in San Francisco with one night at the Four Seasons Hotel San Francisco. During their stay, guests will enjoy six ultra-premium seats to a marquee Golden State Warriors home game at Chase Center, joined by Basketball Hall of Famers Isiah Thomas and Chris Mullin and Cardinale Winemaker Chris Carpenter. After the game, guests will enjoy a private dinner at San Francisco hotspot Miller & Lux, hosted by Thomas, Mullin and Carpenter, with a menu co-curated by Celebrity Chef Tyler Florence and Carpenter, featuring rare library Cardinale wines. Guests also will receive one Golden State Warriors memorabilia package with a signed jersey from Mullin per couple. The couples will then travel to Napa Valley for three nights' accommodations at the private villa at Manzanita Guest House with panoramic vineyard views. While there, they will experience a hands-on blending session with Proprietor Christopher Jackson, plus Carpenter, Mullin and Thomas. Guests also will enjoy a private chef dinner at Cardinale estate hosted by Proprietor Barbara Banke and featuring library selections from Carpenter's portfolio along with a fireside chat diving into craftsmanship, legacy and the leadership lessons shared between the court and the cellar, with Mullin, Thomas and Jackson, plus one custom memorabilia piece featuring fine art photography of the blending session. The winners also will share an exclusive collection of unique wines, including 18 1.5 Liter winners' custom-blended Cardinale Cabernet Sauvignon, etched and signed by Carpenter, Thomas and Mullin and 36 750ml winners' custom-blended Cardinale Cabernet Sauvignon, also etched and signed by each.
- **"Living Italy, One Sip at a Time"**: Three couples will embark on a nine-night unforgettable sojourn through Italy's living masterpieces with Roundtrip, Business Class

Airfare from the United States to Italy. The journey begins in Verona with four nights' accommodations at the Relais Villa Della Torre, including an elegant, multi-course welcome dinner at Villa Della Torre, served with Villa Della Torre wines. Guests also will enjoy a multi-course dinner at One Michelin-starred Iris Ristorante by Chef Giacomo Sacchetto; a multi-course dinner at Three Michelin-starred Casa Perbellini 12 Apostoli; and a multi-course dinner at Villa Della Torre hosted by the Mastella-Allegrini family. Experiences include a private cooking class with Villa Della Torre Proprietor Marilisa Allegrini and private tour and tasting hosted by Marilisa Allegrini; a private guided tour of Verona; visit to Scaliger Castle of Sirmione, followed by lunch at a local restaurant in Borghetto sul Mincio; and visit to Palazzo Te and Mantua, followed by a lunch inspired by Renaissance traditions at a local restaurant. Guests also will experience a one-way helicopter transfer to Bolgheri with a stop in Maranello to visit the Ferrari Museum, including lunch at Ristorante Il Cavallino. While in Bolgheri, the couples will spend three nights at Casa Bolgherese, the Poggio al Tesoro guesthouse. They also will enjoy a multi-course dinner at One Michelin-starred La Pineta; a Tuscan barbecue "Bolgheri under the Stars;" a private boat tour through the Tuscan Islands, with lunch on Elba Island; and a morning visit to Populonia, followed by lunch in the medieval village of Bolgheri. Guests will then travel private ground transfer to Montalcino with a stop in Massa Marittima. In Montalcino, they will spend two nights at the San Polo estate, including a multi-course dinner. The couples also will visit Abbey of San Galgano, Bagno Vignoni and Abbey of Sant'Antimo, followed by lunch at Trattoria Il Pozzo, along with a private vineyard tour of San Polo Vineyard, followed by a multi-course farewell dinner at San Polo estate. To remember their trip, the couples will take home a collection of Italian wines, including one 1.5 Liter 2019 San Polo Brunello di Montalcino DOCG; one 1.5 Liter 2019 San Polo Brunello di Montalcino DOCG Podernovi; one 1.5 Liter 2020 Poggio al Tesoro Sandraia Bolgheri Superiore DOC; one 1.5 Liter 2024 Poggio al Tesoro Solosole Bolgheri DOC; one 1.5 Liter 2021 Villa Della Torre e Palazzo Te, Camera del Sole e della Luna Amarone della Valpolicella Classico DOCG; and one 1.5 Liter 2022 Villa Della Torre e Palazzo Te, Camera dei Giganti, Valpolicella Classico Superiore DOC.

- **"Magic in Music City":** Four couples will enjoy an exclusive experience in Tennessee celebrating music, fine wine and gourmet food. Guests will fly Roundtrip, Private Air on a Northern Jet Bombardier Challenger 300 from Naples, Florida to Nashville, Tennessee where they will enjoy two nights' accommodations in a luxury hotel. During their stay, they will experience a private multi-course dinner at the home of The Setting Wines Proprietor Noah McMahon, prepared by acclaimed Nashville Chef Selim Ülker and served with an exceptional lineup of wines, followed by a private acoustic concert performed by multi-platinum recording artist Mat Kearney. The couples also will experience one multi-course tasting menu with select wine-pairings at the stylish, Italian restaurant Yolan.
- **"An Oasis of BVLGARI Wonders in Dubai":** Two couples will embark on an extraordinary Arabian escape with BVLGARI to Dubai where they will enjoy five nights' accommodations at Bvlgari Resort Dubai. During their stay, guests will enjoy a couple's spa treatment with hammam at The Bvlgari Spa Dubai; a private luxury yacht charter in the Persian Gulf around Palm Jumeirah and Burj Al Arab; full-day private tour including stops at Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, Louvre Abu Dhabi with private guide and Qasr Al Watan; private High Jewelry appointment at BVLGARI Dubai Boutique; and a premium desert safari experience in a vintage Land Rover, including a sunset dinner; a private guided morning tour of Old Dubai; and modern art exploring in Al Fahidi Historical District, Alserkal Avenue and the Dubai Gold Souk. Other experiences include dinner at Two Michelin-starred Italian restaurant Il Ristorante by Niko Romito; dinner at Two Michelin-

starred STAY by Yannick Alléno; an intimate dinner at the fine dining Jumeirah Al Qasr's Pierchic; and a private dinner at one of the hotel restaurants along with access to the Bvlgari Beach Club.

- **“From the Vineyards of Chile to the Heart of Napa”:** Two couples will travel on a five-night luxurious adventure in Chile, plus a three-night exploration of Napa Valley. The trip begins with Roundtrip, Business Class Airfare from the United States to Santiago, Chile and two nights’ accommodations in Grand Terrace Suites at Mandarin Oriental. Experiences include a full-day trip to Maipo Wine Valley, including lunch and wine tasting at famous Doña Paula and a multi-course tasting dinner with wine pairings at highly rated Boragó. Guests will then travel to O’Higgins, Chile for three nights in Puro VIK bungalows at VIK Chile. While there, guests will enjoy a private vineyard tour and wine tasting at VIK Vineyard; unlimited access to all resort activities, including horseback riding, garden tour, hiking and biking; and one cooking class per couple with daily breakfast, lunch and dinner at any of the retreat’s restaurants and up to four drinks per person at the pool bar included daily. At a separate time, the couples will travel to Napa for three nights in King Deluxe rooms at the boutique hotel Southbridge Napa Valley. During their stay, guests will enjoy a multi-course welcome dinner at Goose & Gander, hosted by Spottswoode Proprietor Beth Novak; an exclusive multi-course dinner at Spottswoode Estate, hosted by Novak and served with library wines from the Spottswoode collection, and offering a rare glimpse into the warmth and legacy of one of Napa’s storied families; and a morning tour and intimate tasting at Spottswoode, followed by a casual lunch with the Spottswoode team. They also will receive one spa treatment at Southbridge Napa Valley per person and an exclusive wine tasting at one of Napa’s gems, followed by dinner at a local Spottswoode partner restaurant, arranged by the Spottswoode concierge team. The couples will also share several Spottswoode wines, including four 1.5 Liter Spottswoode Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (two each: 2022 and 2023); two 1.5 Liter 2024 Spottswoode Estate Mary’s Block Sauvignon Blanc; four 750ml Spottswoode Estate Cabernet Sauvignon (two each: 2022 and 2023); and two 750ml 2024 Spottswoode Estate Mary’s Block Sauvignon Blanc.
- **“Spirit of the Bahamas”:** Four couples will enjoy eight nights of sun, sea and serenity in The Bahamas, including an idyllic voyage aboard the 115-foot M/Y *Spirit*. The adventure begins with Roundtrip, Private Air on a Cessna Citation Longitude from Naples, Florida to The Bahamas where guests will enjoy five nights’ accommodations aboard the M/Y *Spirit*, which features five cabins, including one King bed and four Queen beds, a 28-foot tender, Jacuzzi, and an assortment of water toys and fishing gear, plus an experienced crew of six to attend to guests’ every need. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are included for the duration of the stay, prepared by the onboard private chef. All fuel, dockage, port fees, and gratuities also are included. The couples will next travel to Albany, Bahamas for three nights’ accommodations in the private six-bedroom residence of 2026 NWWF Co-Chairs Ashley and Adam Gerry. The Gerrys’ Bahamas residence includes 5,128 square feet of expansive multi-level living space, including four bedrooms with King Beds, one bedroom with two Queen beds, and one bunkroom with two Twins and a Queen bunk bed; multiple-lounging spaces; a terrace with a private plunge pool; and stunning views overlooking Albany’s mega-yacht marina. During their stay, the couples will enjoy dinner at one of the local restaurants, including Wave, Aviva or Vesper, each night. They also will receive one round of golf at Albany Bahamas per person, one 100-minute Signature Massage at Spa & Wellness Center per person and access to Albany Bahamas amenities, including multiple pools, a water park, spa, fitness offerings, and golf cart rentals.

“These latest auction lots pair the world’s most exotic travel experiences with the very best in food and wine,” said Valerie Gargiulo, Naples Children Foundation Trustee and Auction Lot Committee Member. “All funds raised during the live auction will help us create lasting change by investing in proven programs that transform the lives of the most vulnerable children in our community.”

Ticket packages for the 2026 Naples Winter Wine Festival start at \$17,500 per couple for a Double Magnum package and \$40,000 for two couples to experience a Jeroboam Package. For additional information and related Festival news, please visit: napleswinefestival.com/about-the-festival.

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About Naples Winter Wine Festival

The Naples Winter Wine Festival (NWWF), one of the world's most prestigious charity wine auctions, offers a weekend of unforgettable memories. Guests enjoy world-class food and wine during intimate dinners in elegant, private homes and other landmark settings throughout Naples and are invited to bid on once-in-a-lifetime travel and wine experiences during an electrifying live auction. Since its inaugural event in 2001, the NWWF has raised more than \$336 million, making a profound difference in the lives of hundreds of thousands of children in Collier County.

About Naples Children Foundation

The Naples Children Foundation (NCF), the founding organization of the Naples Winter Wine Festival, creates transformational change and improves educational, emotional and health outcomes for vulnerable children in Collier County. Through its annual grants and strategic initiatives, NCF has impacted nearly 90 of the most effective nonprofits in the local community, providing 385,000 children with the services and resources they need to succeed. Through bold investments, collaborative partnerships, and data-driven solutions, NCF supports programs that ensure every child can thrive. NCF's unique approach, which bridges public and private resources, has become a blueprint for how to transform a community—one issue at a time.

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