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PRESS RELEASE

The Top Italian Wines Roadshow goes to Bali

Italian food and wine publication Gambero Rosso will be continuing its Southern Hemisphere tour this May with a visit to the Indonesian island of Bali

18 May promises to be a day of great Italian wines in the beautiful surroundings of **Paradisus Melia**. We will be joined by a selection of some Italy's finest wineries who will be sharing their best bottles. The tasting will also be accompanied by tools including cork screws and spittoons from **Pulltex**, because great wines need great wine tools in order to be properly appreciated.

Indonesia is certainly in the early stages of development as a wine market, with approximately US\$18.6 million worth of wine imported in 2024, of which Italian wine constituting around US\$3.3m of that. However, big things have small beginnings and its growing popularity as a tourist destination is making Indonesia, and Bali in particular, a market that should be on the industry's radar.

"Wine has proven that it knows no borders, and countries – that until a few years ago seemed reluctant to import wine – are now countries on which Italian wineries are betting," says **Giuseppe Carrus**, one of Italy's leading wine critics and a contributor to the Vini d'Italia guide. "Bali is one of these. Tourists are obviously crucial, but thanks to them, wine can become a more popular product. Furthermore, their religion, unlike most of Indonesia, allows the consumption of alcohol."



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Education is a key component in the development of any wine market, as understanding terroir and tasting technique is the key to discovering wines that you will really love. Carrus will be presenting **three masterclasses** on the day which promise to shed light on some of the extraordinary diversity that Italian wine has to offer.

And, although Indonesian cuisine can certainly match with any number of Italian wines, the event will also feature the announcement of the **Top Italian Restaurants**, the event where we recognise the region's best places to eat and drink like an Italian, whether they're a pizzeria or a fine dining restaurant.

Join us for an unmissable event that will prove exactly what Carrus says: wine knows no borders.



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BALI

MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026

PARADISUS BY MELIÀ BALI

Kawasan Wisata ITDC Lot 1 Nusa Dua

Bali, 80363 Indonesia

PROGRAMME

01:00 - 05:30 PM | WALKAROUND TASTING

05:00 - 05:30 PM | TOP ITALIAN RESTAURANTS AWARDS

CEREMONY

MASTERCLASS

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | TOP ITALIAN WINES #1

01:00 - 02:30 PM | TOP ITALIAN WINES #2

03:00 - 04:30 PM | TOP ITALIAN WINES #2



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About Gambero Rosso

Gambero Rosso, the most important multimedia brand in the Italian food and wine world, celebrates its 39 years of activity. In 1986, Gambero Rosso took its first steps as an insert in a daily newspaper, but by the next year its first Guida dei Vini went to print, the 1988 edition. After that, dozens of guides and books followed. In 1999, Gambero Rosso Channel, the first thematic television channel in Europe, began broadcasting. Shortly after, a constellation of the **Città del Gusto** sites was founded in Italy, followed by Gambero Rosso Academy in the rest of the world, with cooking classes for professionals and amateurs, along with courses about wine, journalism master programs, and seminars on restaurant management.

Meanwhile, a fascination with Italy has been growing in the world, a longing for its authentic products, and Gambero Rosso events organized around the globe have multiplied. Since the first ones in 1990, the number of events on our international calendar has grown to over 40. They are above all, but not only, dedicated to wine, supported by the translations of the guide **Vini d'Italia**. That volume is translated in German, English, Chinese and Japanese.

About Top Italian Restaurants

While the stereotype of Italian food is that it is rooted in tradition and rigid culinary codes, the reality is that it is constantly innovating and evolving thanks to the tireless efforts of chefs and restaurateurs across the globe. **Top Italian Restaurants** is the guide which recognises those who have pushed the boundaries to deliver gastronomic excellence far beyond Italy.



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About Vini d'Italia 2026

Vini d'Italia, the flagship guide for Italian wine, is the result of a year of work. Travelling from the Alpine heights of Valle d'Aosta down to sunbaked Sicily, the expert team of **70 tasters** has sought the best bottles on the market, tasting approximately **40,000 wines**. Following a whittling down process to find the best of the bunch, **508 wines** were deemed worthy to be distinguished as '**Tre Bicchieri**' – the highest rating that can be given.

187 of these have been recognised as '**Tre Bicchieri Verdi**' for their organic and/or biodynamic credentials, **43 are priced under €15** and, at the other end of spectrum, **50 are Vini Rari** – top wines with a production of fewer than 3,000 bottles. Overall, the 2026 guide features some **2,605 wineries** and **24,315 wines** (each with a rating), making it a truly comprehensive companion and a must-have for lovers of Italian wine. It can be purchased online and is available from all good bookshops.

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