

Wine festival embraces regions of Amador County

Amador County this spring will celebrate the four regions that inspire chefs, winemakers and winegrowers in the county – Southern France, Italy, the Iberian Peninsula, and “Heritage California” (old vine Amador Zinfandel and mission).

The Amador Four Fires Festival is May 7 at the Amador County Fairgrounds in Plymouth.

The event will include more than 200 wines from 37 wineries—each vetted by a distinguished group of sommeliers and judges. Paired with traditional cuisine prepared over open-flame and reminiscent of the four regions, it will include grilled lamb, whole pigs, simmering paellas, grilled fish and more.

Additional activities include tastings of regional artisan goods, three venues of seminars, cooking demonstrations, live music, and a sensory station featuring wine aromas, barrel toasts and soils.

Proceeds from Amador Four Fires benefit the non-profit Amador County Fair Foundation and their “farm to future” mandate to revitalize the county’s beloved fairgrounds as a year-round event venue.

The festival is from 11am-4pm. Tickets are \$75 in advance and \$85 at the door. VIP tickets are \$125 in advance and \$155 at the door. All tickets will be available for purchase **online** starting Feb. 1.