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Syrah du Monde Competition Draws Record 450 Wine Entries From 26 Countries for 2026 Edition

International judges will evaluate Syrah and Shiraz wines in Ampuis, highlighting global diversity and excellence in the varietal.

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The Syrah du Monde competition is preparing for its 20th edition, set to take place on May 19 and 20, 2026, in Ampuis, France. This annual event brings together Syrah and Shiraz wines from around the world, offering a unique opportunity for producers to showcase their best bottles. Organizers expect a record number of entries this year, with 450 wine samples submitted from 26 countries. The competition will feature 100 international expert judges who will evaluate the wines.

Syrah du Monde has become one of the most recognized events dedicated exclusively to Syrah and Shiraz varietals. The competition aims to highlight the diversity and quality of these wines, which are produced in regions as varied as France, Australia, South Africa, the United States, and South America. The event is held in Ampuis, a town in the Rhône Valley known for its historic vineyards and as the home of Côte-Rôtie, one of the world’s most famous Syrah-producing appellations.

Producers interested in participating must submit their samples by April 27, 2026. The competition is open to both established wineries and new producers seeking international recognition. In addition to submitting wines for judging, participants can apply to become expert jurors or learn about the logistics of sample transport through detailed information provided by the organizers.

The judging process at Syrah du Monde is rigorous. Wines are evaluated blind by panels of experts from different countries. Judges include sommeliers, oenologists, wine journalists, and industry professionals. The goal is to ensure impartiality and recognize excellence across a wide range of styles and origins. Awards given at the event are highly regarded in the wine industry and can help boost a winery’s reputation on global markets.

The competition also serves as a meeting point for professionals in the wine sector. It offers opportunities for networking, sharing knowledge about viticulture and winemaking techniques, and discussing trends affecting Syrah production worldwide. Over the years, Syrah du Monde has contributed to raising awareness about lesser-known regions producing high-quality Syrah wines.

For consumers and wine enthusiasts, results from Syrah du Monde provide guidance on some of the best Syrah and Shiraz wines available internationally. Winning wines often see increased demand following the announcement of results.

More information about registration forms, sample transport procedures, and participation as an expert juror is available on the official website of Syrah du Monde. The event continues to attract attention from both established wine regions and emerging producers eager to demonstrate their expertise with this popular grape variety.