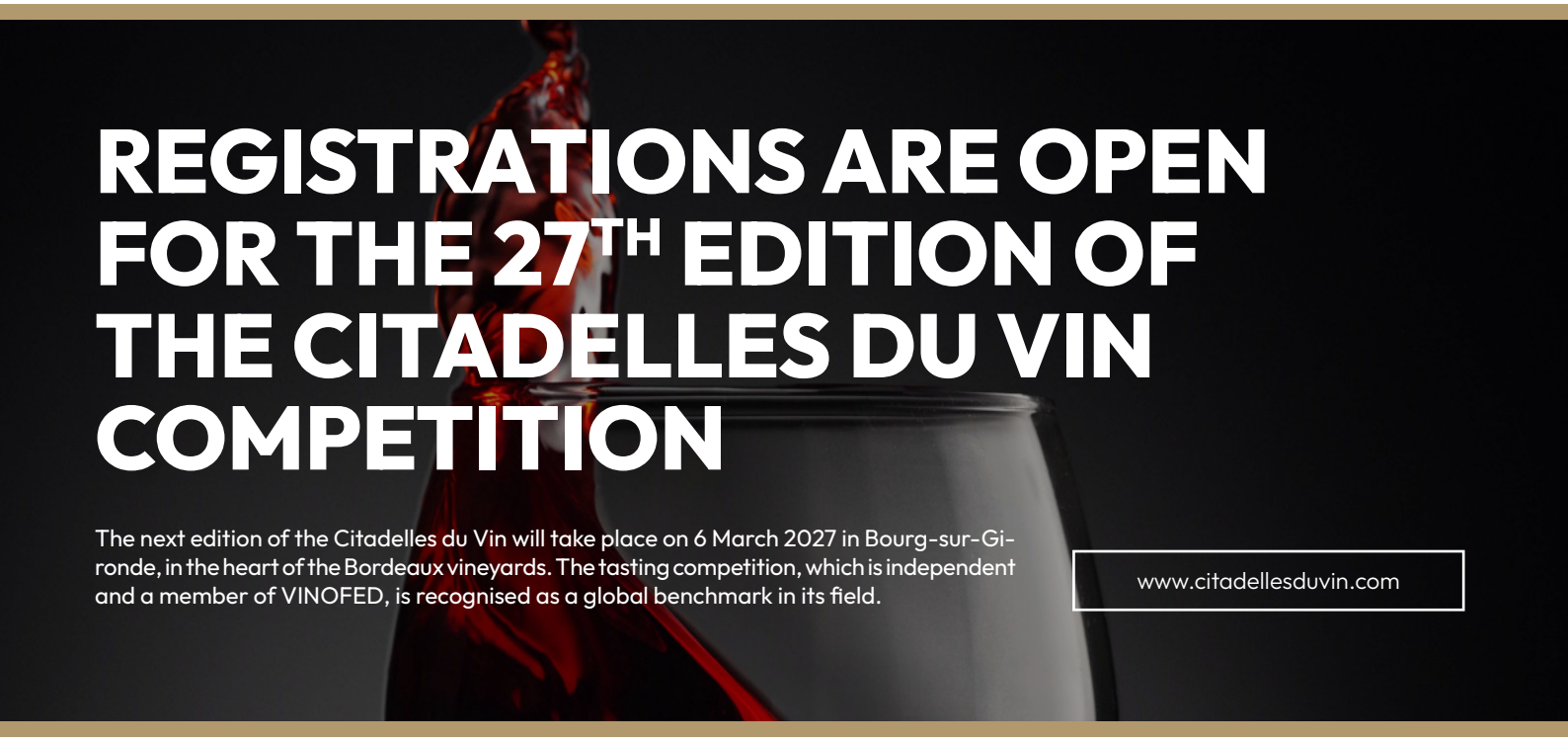
CITADELLES DU VIN

PRESS RELEASE
November 2026

2027 EDITION



# REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE 27TH EDITION OF THE CITADELLES DU VIN COMPETITION

The next edition of the Citadelles du Vin will take place on 6 March 2027 in Bourg-sur-Gironde, in the heart of the Bordeaux vineyards. The tasting competition, which is independent and a member of VINOFED, is recognised as a global benchmark in its field.

www.citadellesduvin.com

## AN ESSENTIAL REFERENCE FOR PROFESSIONALS

The Citadelles du Vin competition remains faithful to its main mission to showcase wines and brandies from around the world. Since 2025, the competition has demonstrated its dynamism by adapting to consumption trends with the opening of new categories: **spirits, sake, no/low, ciders and perries.**

Thanks to the presence of a representative panel of **international juries,** the 2027 edition will offer the chance to taste samples from around **thirty countries**. Approximately **75% of the competing wines come from abroad.**

The competition juries are made up of experienced tasters, oenologists, sommeliers, buyers, specialist journalists and critics. As is the case every year since a quarter of a century, they establish a list of winners by awarding **Grand Gold, Gold and Silver medals,** along with a **Special Prize** for certain winners.

For the 2027 edition, Les Citadelles du Vin is putting Hungary in the spotlight. Combining millennia-old tradition with contemporary creativity, Hungarian wines captivate with their diversity, indigenous grape varieties and exceptional terroirs, ranging from the famous sweet Tokaj to great dry white wines and characterful reds.

On this occasion, a Special Prize will be awarded by a representative of the magazine Sommelier S International, accompanied by the sommeliers in attendance. This award will recognise the Hungarian wine that received unanimous acclaim following a comparative tasting of the Grand Gold and Gold medal-winning in the category.

## A HIGHLY PUBLICISED LIST OF WINNERS

The competition ensures that its winners are promoted as much as possible. They benefit from its many promotional features on social media pages and in specialist media. The Citadelles du Vin competition is listed on the **wine-searcher** platform via the “Critics & Awards” tab and via the showcasing of its award-winning wines.

## MORE THAN 25 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE & RIGOR

Organised by Concours Des Vins (CDV), this high-calibre competition complies with the requirements of the World Federation of Major International Wine and Spirits Competitions (VINOFED), of which Les Citadelles du Vin is a member. This independent competition is distinguished by the rigour of its organisation and selection process, particularly with regard to the tracking of samples and tasting conditions.

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# CITADELLES DU VIN SPECIAL PRIZES 2027

Wine from **HUNGARY** (this year's featured country) by **SOMMELIERS INTERNATIONAL** magazine, official partner of the Association de la Sommellerie Internationale and the Union de la Sommellerie Française.

**MERLOT DE BORDEAUX** wine, by the **ASSOCIATION OF OENOLOGISTS OF BORDEAUX**, global network of oenologists graduated from ISVV - Institute of Vine and Wine Sciences - University of Bordeaux.

**SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE CABERNET SAUVIGNON** varietal wine, by **KEDGE WINE SCHOOL**, international reference for the training of future managers in the wine and spirits sector.

**BEST RATE OF THE COMPETITION - STILL DRY WINE** by **VINOFED**, World Federation of major international wine and spirits competitions.

**CHARDONNAY** varietal wine, by the **DUAD'S CLUB, DUAD** Alumni Association, international diploma from ISVV - Institute of Vine and Wine Sciences - University of Bordeaux.

**BEST RATE WINE OR BRANDY AMONG GRAND GOLD** or **GOLD MEDALS IN EACH COMPETING COUNTRY** with a minimum of 10 samples in the running.




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**PRODUCER REGISTRATIONS:**
From November 2, 2026 to February 7, 2027

**SAMPLES RECEPTION DEADLINE:**
February 12, 2027

**COMPETITION DATE:**
March 6, 2027

**DATE OF THE PRIZE LIST:**
March 11, 2027

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