

FOOD & WINE WEEKENDS



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Orlando Food & Wine Weekends to Bring Culinary Focus to Waldorf Astoria Orlando and Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek

*Luxury Resorts Celebrate Fourth Annual Epicurean Event as
Complement to Epcot® International Food & Wine Festival*

ORLANDO, Fla. – August 29, 2014, – Culinary fans, wine enthusiasts and foodies will find a delicious “home base” at Waldorf Astoria Orlando and Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek as the luxury resort hotels host the fourth annual Food & Wine Weekends, Sept. 19 – Nov. 9, 2014.

For eight weekends, the resorts will feature special programming and events aimed to complement and “fill the gaps” around the wildly popular *Epcot®* International Food & Wine Festival held at the nearby Disney Theme Park.

“For the past 19 years, Disney has done an amazing job of building their Food & Wine Festival at Epcot,” said Peter Kacheris, managing director, Waldorf Astoria Orlando. “As the festival has grown, so has the public’s appetite for additional culinary-focused experiences. We’ve created our Food & Wine Weekends to highlight our own world-class culinary team while we complement the Epcot festival.”

Food & Wine Weekends events will be held at Waldorf Astoria Orlando, and at its sister resort, Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek, which are conveniently located less than one mile from *Epcot*®, surrounded by *Walt Disney World*® Resort.

Event highlights include:

- **Global Venture – a Wine Pairing Dinner**

Guests can experience an exclusive 3-course tasting menu comprised of food and exquisite wine pairings from around the world - prepared by the illustrious chefs of Waldorf Astoria Orlando. Reservations required. Call 407-597-5500. *Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Bull & Bear.*

- **Il Cibo Della Vita**

From the kitchen of La Luce by Donna Scala at Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek, each weekend a new tasting menu and wine pairing will be unveiled, featuring chef Scala's favorite recipes. Reservations recommended. Call 407-597-3600. *Friday & Saturday evenings, 5 – 11 p.m., La Luce by Donna Scala.*

- **The Art of Sushi Pairing**

Guests can enjoy an exciting epicurean journey at Zeta Bar & Sushi Lounge exploring perfect pairings with favorite sushi dishes including sake and wine. *Friday and Saturday evenings, Zeta Bar & Sushi Lounge at Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek.*

- **Bar du Chocolat and champagne tasting**

Decadent, yes. Sinful, perhaps. Most certainly an experience for those with a sweet tooth. Peacock Alley will be transformed into a chocolate-lover's dream, offering a cocoa-infused evening of self-indulgence paired with a selection of fine champagnes. Guests can choose from a signature selection of chocolate treats from the Waldorf Astoria Orlando's world-class pastry team using recipes from the most romantic points of the globe. *Friday and Saturday evenings, 6:30 – 10:30 p.m., Peacock Alley at Waldorf Astoria Orlando.*

- **Royal Tea, A Waldorf Astoria Orlando Tradition**

Guests will treasure time together as they savor finely-prepared tea sandwiches and house-made pastries while sipping premium hot tea and listening to live piano music.

Sundays, 3 – 5 p.m., Peacock Alley at Waldorf Astoria Orlando.

- **Live Entertainment** – *nightly at Peacock Alley*

- **Astoria After Dark** – Adults are not the only ones to have fun. The WA Kids Club is offering a nightly children’s program including dinner and a non-stop roster of fun activities – providing parents some “adult time” in which to experience Orlando Food & Wine Weekends activities. *Friday and Saturday evenings, 6 – 10 p.m.*

Weekend rates at Waldorf Astoria Orlando start at \$199 per night, and includes deluxe accommodations and complimentary scheduled transportation to *Epcot*® (and other Disney Theme Parks). For more information or reservations, please visit WaldorfAstoriaOrlando.com/food-and-wine-weekends, or call +1 888-353-2009.

Weekend rates at Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek start at \$119 per night, and includes deluxe accommodations and complimentary scheduled transportation to *Epcot*® (and other Disney Theme Parks). For more information or reservations, please visit HiltonBonnetCreek.com/food-wine, or call +1 888-353-2013.

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