



CHINA'S  
WINE LIST OF  
THE YEAR  
AWARDS

2016

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**CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR AWARDS  
- WINNERS ANNOUNCED -**

**SHANGHAI:** Tonight, May 20<sup>th</sup>, the highly anticipated results of the **2016 China's Wine List of the Year Awards – Mainland China and also Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan** were announced to an audience of greater China's leading sommeliers, VIP's, Award Partners and Supporters, Wine judges from around world, government representatives and media.

**And the winners are .....**

**\*China's Wine List of the Year 2016 – Mainland China**

**Hakkasan**

As custodian of this winning list, the Award for **China's 'Outstanding Sommelier' of the Year 2016 – Mainland China** goes to

**James Teng**

*"Hakkasan doesn't just turn the world of wine in restaurants upside down and inside out, it revolutionises, revitalises and remakes the humble wine list. This is a relatively small list of almost 400 wines with an impressive 25 by the glass. Its exemplary design and innovative structure matches the quality of wines chosen to grace the list with choices that will tantalise even the most strong-willed winelover. It's a daring list that challenges and delights." Co-Chairman Peter Forrestal*

**\*China's Wine List of the Year 2016 – Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan**

**Aux Beaux Arts**

As custodian of this winning list, the Award for **China's 'Outstanding Sommelier' 2016 – Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan** goes to

**David Chang**

*"Aux Beaux Arts is one of the great wine lists of the MGM Macau. 'This is an authoritative and extensive list featuring a collection of rare and hard-to-find wines from around the world.' The list's depth impresses: great producers are featured with more than one wine and invariably with multiple vintages. Breadth is provided by the list's wide-ranging sweep around the stellar producers of the best wine regions of the world."*

*Co-Chairman Peter Forrestal*



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**2016** has been another record year for greater **China's Wine List of the Year Awards** with again a record number of entrants in the Awards and also a record in the number of Glasses awarded.

Entrants for 2016 rose 17% and the number of Glass winners grew by 19% with the most popular Categories entered being '**Best Wines by the Glass List**', '**Best Champagne and Sparkling Wine List**' and '**Best Food and Wine Matching List**'. Not surprisingly perhaps the highest number of entrants this year were from the Eastern Region (Shanghai), followed by Northern Region (Beijing) Hong Kong and then Southern Region (Guangdong).

From a qualitative perspective also the standard of the Lists submitted continues to grow with almost 88% of the lists submitted earning Awards this year. Also the fact that the Glass Awards earned is growing at a faster rate than the entries is further evidence of the growth in the quality of submissions generally.

Again this year, as in 2015, the list of Award Winners reads like a Who's Who of fine 'wining and dining' across Greater China, with **38 Awards** presented to lists large and small, from small independent restaurants, clubs and wine bars, through to representation from virtually all of China's major International Hotel and Resort Groups.

**Quote from 2016 Co-Chairman Peter Forrestal .....**

*"In just four short years, China's Wine List of the Year has saluted the great wine lists of the country and encouraged many restaurateurs and sommeliers to refine, recast and re-present their wine lists so that they, too, can become part of the cavalcade. While the great hotel cellar lists of Macau and Hong Kong continue to feed many world class wine lists in their finest restaurants, 2016 has seen a new dawning in Shanghai. The knowledge, flair and energy of Shanghai's sommeliers have revitalised the wine list of the best restaurants in that city. Happily the spread of these awards is also countrywide and the judges have been delighted with the clever, thoughtful lists that are emerging far from the nation's major cities. The previous winners of the major awards remain an important part of the local restaurant community and the family of these awards. We celebrate, for example, the triumph of Petrus - this year's Best Champagne and Sparkling Wine List winner."*

**Quote from 2016 Co-Chairman Brian Julyan MS.....**

*"The 2016 competition highlights the quality and wide variety of wines available to today's customers. Considerable research, thought and effort have been applied to produce well presented, balanced and inviting lists. A considerable strength is evident in lists which provide for the emerging clientele, as well as for established connoisseurs. The range of wines by the glass and the increasing awareness of the quality of, and interest in, Chinese wines is evidence of the maturing nature of the Industry. All finalists are to be congratulated for their outstanding achievement."*



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### AWARD WINNERS & FINALISTS

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**China's 'Outstanding Sommelier' – Mainland China – James Teng** - sponsored by  
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**China's Wine List of the Year – Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan – Aux Beaux  
Arts** - sponsored by *St Hallett Wines*

**China's 'Outstanding Sommelier' – Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan - David  
Chang** - sponsored by *St Hallett Wines*

### CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR – HALL OF FAME

Franck Bistrot – Shanghai (2015)  
Restaurant Petrus, Island Shangri-La – Hong Kong (2015)  
Napa Wine Bar & Kitchen – Shanghai (2014)  
L'Atelier de Joël Robuchon – Hong Kong (2014)  
Robuchon au Dôme Grand Lisboa Hotel – Macau (2013)

### CHINA'S WINE LIST OF THE YEAR– FINALISTS

121 BC – Hong Kong  
Aux Beaux Arts – Macau  
Hakkasan - Shanghai  
Jade on 36 - Shanghai  
Jean Georges - Shanghai  
The Kitchen - Macau  
TRB - Beijing

**BEST WINE LIST – EASTERN CHINA** – sponsored by *DOCa Rioja*  
Hakkasan (Shanghai)

**BEST WINE LIST – NORTHERN CHINA**– sponsored by *Wines of Portugal*  
TRB (Beijing)

**BEST WINE LIST – SOUTHERN CHINA**– sponsored by *Wine Australia*  
Ebony (Guangdong)

**BEST WINE LIST – WESTERN CHINA**  
Jing Bar (Sichuan)



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**BEST WINE LIST – HONG KONG**  
121 BC (Hong Kong)

**BEST WINE LIST – MACAU**  
Aux Beaux Arts (Macau)

**BEST WINE LIST – TAIWAN**  
Bencotto (Taipei)

**BEST INDEPENDENT RESTAURANT WINE LIST** - *sponsored by Prowine - China*  
Hakkasan (Shanghai)

**BEST HOTEL RESTAURANT WINE LIST** - *sponsored by Petaluma Wines*  
Aux Beaux Arts (Macau)

**BEST CLUB WINE LIST**  
Noah's Yacht Club on the Bund (Shanghai)

**BEST WINE BAR LIST** – *sponsored by Prowine - China*  
121 BC (Hong Kong)

**BEST NEW WINE LIST**  
8½ Otto e Mezzo Bombana (Macau)

**BEST SMALL WINE LIST (50 wines max)**  
Limoni (Guangdong)

**BEST MEDIUM WINE LIST (100 wines max)**  
Via Roma (Beijing)

**BEST WINES BY THE GLASS LIST**  
Oyster & Wine Bar (Hong Kong)

**BEST FOOD & WINE MATCHING** – *sponsored by Baron Philippe de Rothschild*  
Jean Georges (Shanghai)

**BEST CHAMPAGNE AND SPARKLING WINE LIST** - *sponsored by Lucaris*  
Restaurant Petrus (Hong Kong)



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**BEST LISTING OF CHINESE WINES** – *sponsored by Zhong Fei*  
Gui Hua Lou (Shanghai)

**BEST LISTING OF CHINESE RICE WINES** – *sponsored by Pagoda Brand*  
Yan Toh Heen (Hong Kong)

**BEST LISTING OF AUSTRALIAN WINES** – *sponsored by Wine Australia*  
Noah's Yacht Club on the Bund (Shanghai)

**BEST LISTING OF PORTUGUESE WINES** – *sponsored by Wines of Portugal*  
Aux Beaux Arts (Macau)

**BEST LISTING OF RIOJA WINES** – *sponsored by DOCa Rioja*  
Catalunya (Hong Kong)

**BEST LISTING OF SPANISH WINES** – *sponsored by Vintae*  
Catalunya (Hong Kong)

**BEST LISTING OF ONE COUNTRY'S WINES**  
Franck Bistrot (Shanghai)

**BEST APERITIF LIST**  
Hakkasan (Shanghai)

**BEST DIGESTIF LIST**  
Lady Bund (Shanghai)

**BEST BEER LIST** – *sponsored by Little Creatures Craft Beer*  
Belle Vue (Guangdong)

**BEST LISTING OF NON-ALCOHOLIC DRINKS**  
View Lounge (Hainan)

**BEST INTERNATIONAL AIRLINE LIST**  
Air France First & Business Class

**BEST HOTEL GROUP WINE LIST**  
**EXCELLENT**

Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group- *sponsored by Petaluma Wines*



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The Peninsula Hotels  
Shangri-La Hotels & Resorts  
**OUTSTANDING**  
Marriott International Group  
Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts  
Intercontinental Hotels Group

**BEST 'Wines by the Glass' LIST in a HOTEL GROUP**  
**EXCELLENT**

Shangri-La Hotels and Resorts - *sponsored by St Hallett Wines*  
**OUTSTANDING**  
Intercontinental Hotels Group - *sponsored by St Hallett Wines*  
Marriott International Group

**BEST RESTAURANT CHAIN WINE LIST**  
**EXCELLENT**

8½ Otto e Mezzo Bombana– *sponsored by Wines of Portugal*  
**OUTSTANDING**  
Landry's Restaurant Group

**BEST CASUAL DINING LIST – CHAIN RESTAURANT**  
WAGAS Group

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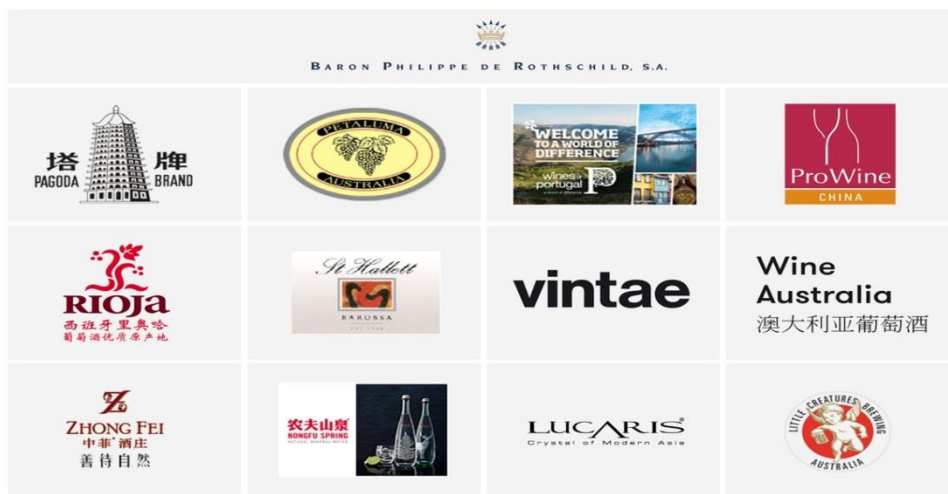


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## ~ CHINA'S WINE LISTS OF THE YEAR ~

**Hakkasan - Shanghai**



**Aux Beaux Arts - Macau**



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humble wine list. This document sits neatly alongside the stellar modern Cantonese cuisine of chef, Tong CheeHwee, and his local team. Hakkasan is part of a group of a dozen classy restaurants around the world. The Group Wine Buyer is Christine Parkinson; and James Teng the sommelier responsible for the Shanghai list. It's a relatively small list of almost 400 wines with an impressive 25 by the glass. Hakkasan stands out because of the exemplary design and the innovative structure of the list and the quality of wines chosen to grace the list. Begin with a glass of non-vintage champagne or a rose or one with a touch of sweetness; a sherry; a Chinese rice wine; a sake: or try from the thoughtfully chosen international range of table wines by the glass which includes a cabernet sauvignon from Ningxia. The list offers a dazzling tour de force of choice that will have even the most strong-willed wine lover salivating and eager to return. It's a daring list that challenges and delights." Co-Chairman Peter Forrestal

by David Chang and his team. As one of the judges said, 'This is an authoritative and extensive list featuring a collection of rare and hard-to-find wines from around the world.' Perhaps most impressive is the list's depth: great producers are featured with more than one wine and invariably with multiple vintages. Breadth is provided by the list's wide-ranging sweep around the stellar producers of the best wine regions of the world." Co-Chairman Peter Forrestal