



Inside the Global Garnacha Summit, the First Event of its Kind in the U.S.

Garnacha/Grenache is a variety that continues to expand in market share and consumer interest, which means it's only natural that an event devoted exclusively to a deep dive into the variety was bound to come about. DOP Cariñena knew that the time was ripe (so to speak) and are therefore leading the charge with the sponsorship of the Global Garnacha Summit. Taking place on April 24 at The CIA at Copia in Napa, winemakers and advocates of the Garnacha/Grenache grape from around the world will gather to celebrate and address everything you need to know about the resurgence of this historic variety. Participants will explore a range of wine styles found in key growing regions including Spain, France, and California. During the all-day event, there will be two seminars featuring a range of industry experts. Confirmed panelists at the Global Garnacha Summit span the wine world, including Spain's Pedro Ballesteros Torres MW and Even A. Bakke from Clos de Trias in France. Winemakers Jason Haas of Tablas Creek Vineyard, Randall Grahm of Bonny Doon Vineyard and Angela Osborne of Grace Wine Company lead the ranks of California participants. Leading buyers Stevie Stacionis of Bay Grape and Haley Moore of Stock & Bones will join educators Jay James, MS, Chairman of SommFoundation and Gilian Handelman of Jackson Family Wines to take a deep dive into the market potential for this key variety. Bob Bath MS and head of wine and beverage studies at The Culinary Institute of America and Peter Granoff MS and owner/partner of Ferry Plaza Wine Merchant, will moderate the seminars. "Garnacha/Grenache has exploded onto the world scene and is outpacing growth and new plantings by other grape varieties at record levels," says Bath. "An amazing number of world wine leaders and regions are pushing the limits of this historic grape, and we're thrilled to explore its origins and possibilities from Spain to southern France, Australia, California and beyond." The Chefs of Copia will also be hosting a food and wine pairing experience, which will showcase more than 25 producers and highlight the signature flavors of Spain, France and California in 100% Garnacha and blends from around the globe. The day concludes with an interactive Blind Tasting Competition led by The SOMM Foundation with cash prizes provided by *The SOMM Journal*. Additional information and updates can be found at globalgarnachasummit.com.