Blue Ridge Wine & Food Festival

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Thursday, April 16				
Time	**Event**	**Location**	**Admission**	**Description**
11:00am	Seminar: Break out the Bubbly	Christopher's Wine and Cheese	$25	Sommelier Anne Prevatte on the subject of champagne and sparkling wine
2:00pm	Seminar: Wine & Cheese	Meadowbrook Inn	$28	This seminar focuses on complimentary cheese and wine pairings
3:00pm	Seminar: Defiant Whisky & Bacon	Rustique Restaurant	$30	Chef Shayne Lewis of Rustique prepares various meat-lovers' appetizers
3:00-5:00pm	Beer Tasting	Foggy Rock Eatery & Pub		Beer tasting with Blind Squirrel Brewery. No reservations needed.
4:00pm	Seminar: Hidden Treasures, Best Value Wines	Meadowbrook Inn	$25	Learn how to buy better wine at a lower price.
6:00pm	TASTE! A Restaurant Showcase	Maple Street Parking Lot	$35-$40	Blowing Rock restaurants serving small plate portions of their signature dishes.
6:30pm	Westglow Wine Dinner with Jones von Drehle	Rowland's at Westglow	$75-$100	Dinner featuring locally sourced products and Jones von Drehle wine.
8:00pm	Gamekeeper/Fair Game Beverage Co.	Gamekeeper Restaurant		Fair Game Beverage Company bar menu launch. Live music by the Lazybirds.
9:00pm	Seminar: Dessert Cocktails at Rustique	Rustique Restaurant	$25	Make dessert cocktails by Bartender Rich Scheurer, featuring Covington Spirits.
TBA	Winemaker Dinner: New Public House/Raptor Ridge	New Public House	TBA	Enjoy American Classic cuisine and Raptor Ridge wine with winemaker Kevin Wiles.

Friday, April 17				
Time	**Event**	**Location**	**Admission**	**Description**
11:00am	Seminar: The Emerging Pacific Northwest	Christopher's Wine and Cheese	$28	Sommelier Anne Prevatte on why Pacific Northwest wineries are reaching new heights.
12:00pm	Seminar: Riedel Challenge	The Inn at Ragged Gardens	$55	Fine Wines Trading on the luxury of Riedel glasses. Complimentary glasses and tasting.
1:00pm	Seminar: Wine & Chocolate	Meadowbrook Inn	$28	Indulge in some incredible pairings of two of the world's favorite guilty pleasures!
2:00pm	Seminar: You Say Syrah, I say Shiraz	Meadowbrook Inn	$28	Doug May teaches the difference in Syrah/Shiraz through a bold and complex tasting.
3:00pm	Seminar: Great Minds Drink Alike	Blowing Rock Brewery	$20	Learn and taste from the Brew Master what makes each style of beer special.
3:00pm	Seminar: Old World vs New World Wines	Meadowbrook Inn	$28	Pauline Lurton of Hermanos Lurton Vineyards explains the difference in New/Old world.
3:00-7:00pm	Savor Blowing Rock with Rockitman Radio	Sunset Drive and Main Street	FREE	Get a group together and come out to play 2 or 3 FREE professionally recorded songs!
3:00-7:00pm	Downtown Wine Down	Downtown Blowing Rock	FREE	Stop in at the shops downtown- various businesses will have wine and spirit tastings!
3:00-5:30pm	Seminar: Grilling Class with the Grill Masters	Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce	$50	Learn to grill everything from appetizers to desserts. Beer and wine will also be served.
3:30om	Seminar: A "Crafty" Conversation with Kaela	Foggy Rock Eatery & Pub	$20	Enjoy paired bites and craft brews while learning about what makes the beer great.

4:00pm	Seminar: Explore Burgundy: The Basics	Meadowbrook Inn	$28	Taste and learn about wines of the Burgundy region of France from Doug May.
4:00pm	Seminar: “For the Love of Lambrusco”	Meadowbrook Inn	$28	Explore Italy’s fine wines with Italian Wine Expert Kaite Dorazio of Dalla Terra Imports.
5:00-10:00pm	Wine and Craft Beer Flights at Timberlake’s	Chetola Resort at Blowing Rock	$10/flight	Enjoy $10 local wine or beer flights on Friday and Saturday of the festival!
5:30pm	Cork & Canvas	Blowing Rock Art & History Museum	$25-$30	A little bit of paint, a little bit of wine, and a whole lot of fun!
6:00pm	Gamekeeper and Revelery Wine Dinner	Gamekeeper Restaurant	$75	The ultimate marriage of fine dining and comfort food.
6:30pm	Seminar: Build Your Own Bordeaux	Christopher's Wine and Cheese	$30	Blend your own wine out of the classic varietal components of Bordeaux.
6:30pm	Brewery Dinner: Rustique & AMB	Rustique	$65	Beer and dinner at Rustique with culinary trained chef Shayne Lewis.
9:00pm	Live Music at Town Tavern: Harris Brothers	Town Tavern	No Cover	Join us at Town Tavern for live music by the Harris Brothers, a local favorite!
TBA	Winemaker Dinner: Gideon Ridge Inn/Jonata Winery	Gideon Ridge Inn	TBA	Dinner prepared by Hunter Womble and wine by Jonata and Michael DiGiovani.

Saturday, April 18

Time	Event	Location	Admission	Description
7:30am	Foggy Rock’s Pancake/French Toast Breakfast	Foggy Rock Eatery & Pub	$5	A generous portion of delicious pancakes or french toast served with bacon or sausage.
8:00am	Seminar: Coffee Cupping by Bald Guy Brew	Foggy Rock Eatery & Pub	$15	Compare coffee varietals with many different manual brew methods.
8:30am	3rd Annual Chetola Resort’s Corkscrew 5K	Chetola Resort at Blowing Rock	$25-$40	Combines road racing and wine. Proceeds benefit the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation.
12:00 or 3:00pm	Reserve Wine Tasting	Tent at the Inn at Ragged Gardens	$125-$150	Join us for limited seating tasting of 12-15 scrumptious wines.
1:00pm	Brewery Dinner: Town Tavern & AMB	Town Tavern	$8 plate	BBQ, beer samples, cookies, live entertainment, and no cover! Karaoke starts at 9:30
1:00-5:00pm	Grand Tasting	Maple Street Parking Lot	$40-$50	Come out and enjoy food, beverages, wine, beer, and distilled liquors!
1:00-5:00pm	Savor Blowing Rock with Rockitman Radio	Blue Ridge Mountain Club Courtyard	FREE	Get a group together and come out to play 2 or 3 FREE professionally recorded songs!
2:00-4:00pm	Springtime in Appalachia at BRAHM	Blowing Rock Art & History Museum	FREE	Hands-on kids activities, seed-planting, honey-tasting, refreshments, live music, etc.
5:00-10:00pm	Wine and Craft Beer Flights at Timberlake’s	Chetola Resort at Blowing Rock	$10/flight	Enjoy $10 local wine or beer flights on Friday and Saturday of the festival!
7:00pm	Downton Abbey Themed Dinner at Green Park Inn	Chestnut Grille at the Green Park Inn	$85	Dine, drink, and dance like 20th Century Nobility. Music by Steve Frank Orchestra.

Sunday, April 19

Time	Event	Location	Admission	Description
7:00am	Granny’s Pancake Special at Southern Comfort	Southern Comforts	$6.89	Enjoy 2 eggs, grits or hash browns, livermush, bacon or sausage.
1:00-5:00pm	Savor Blowing Rock with Rockitman Radio	Blue Ridge Mountain Club Courtyard	FREE	Get a group together and come out to play 2 or 3 FREE professionally recorded songs!
2:00-4:30pm	Seminar: Grilling Class with the Grill Masters	Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce	$50	Learn to grill everything from appetizers to desserts. Beer and wine will also be served.