



IEM's NEMA Virtual Networking Lounge Presents...
A Life Well Drink: Virtual Wine Tasting with John Sporing
March 18 at 7:30pm ET

Wine is a rare thing ... upon tasting, it can transport you across time and around the world. John has been helping individuals and small groups experience the wonders of wine for over a decade. He offers a wide range of wine experiences, from fun and educational tastings at homes (when we are able to meet in person again) to unique, small-group, bespoke tours to the world's best wine regions. Home tastings are both entertaining and informative and are customized with a specific theme to match your interests and budget. Wine tours are one-of-a-kind, emphasizing personal connections and providing a variety of experiences but focusing on small, undiscovered, up-and-coming wineries and winemakers.

During the virtual wine tasting, John will guide us through the ABCs of wine tasting as you sip the wines and provide a brief history of the regions. He will be available to answer all the questions you have about wine (but were afraid to ask). **During the virtual tasting, we will sip and discuss four wines:**



[Terras Gauda Abadia de San Campio Albariño 2019](#)

Can be substituted with any Albariño from Rías Baixas, Spain

Served chilled, take out of the fridge about 15 minute prior
Pairings: Shellfish, salty feta cheese, creamy burrata cheese



[Vilarnau Brut Rosé Cava Gaudi Inspired Label](#)

Can be substituted with any Rosé Cava from Spain

Serve chilled, straight from the fridge
Pairings: Popcorn, fried chicken, soft goat cheese



[Indaba Merlot 2019](#)

Can be substituted with any Merlot

Serve slightly chilled; 15 minutes in the fridge before serving
Pairings: Almost anything, hot dogs, chili, salmon, dark chocolate



[Ferreira Ruby Port](#)

Can be substituted with any Ruby Port

Pairings: Dark chocolate, blue cheese

You can click on the link for each wine to purchase from [Wine.com](#) or look for them where you buy wine. If the exact wines are not available, feel free to substitute a similar wine. **Order all the wines, or just a couple (note that the Port will last for weeks after opening and most will last 1-2 days recorked in the fridge) or invite your "quaranteam" over to help you enjoy!** Please order as soon as you can to ensure that the wines arrive in time to rest (and chill as needed).