

CRAIG BANCROFT



CRAIG BANCROFT WILL DISCUSS THE STYLES, COMPLEXITIES AND CHALLENGES OF THE YEAR'S WINES, HELPED BY SOMMELIER, NEIL ALEXANDER, JULIAN KAYE OF THE WRIGHT WINE COMPANY AND MILES CORISH OF BOWLAND FOREST VINTNERS.

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THE FACE OF THE FESTIVAL, CRAIG IS BEST KNOWN AS THE SMILE THAT GREET'S YOU AS YOU ARRIVE AND THE VOICE THAT GUIDES YOU THROUGH THE VARIOUS DISHES AND WINES AS THE EVENING'S EVENTS UNFOLD. BUT WHILE YOU MIGHT THINK HE'S IMMUNE FROM THE CHAOS OF THE KITCHEN ...NOTHING COULD BE FURTHER FROM THE TRUTH. CRAIG'S OTHER MAIN RESPONSIBILITY IS CAREFULLY MATCHING THE WINES TO EACH COURSE...A SUPERB TALENT FOR WHICH HE'S HIGHLY RECOGNISED THROUGHOUT THE INDUSTRY. IT'S A TASK MADE NEAR IMPOSSIBLE BY THE CHEFS' NOTORIOUS REPUTATION FOR CHANGING DISHES RIGHT UP UNTIL THE ELEVENTH HOUR. LITTLE PHASES CRAIG HOWEVER...WHICH ALSO EXPLAINS WHY HE IS NOW INVITED TO BE A SELECTED MEMBER OF ACADEMIE DU CHAMPAGNE AND WHY HE HAS RECENTLY BEEN RECOGNISED BY THE AA FOR HIS OUTSTANDING WINE LIST.

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