



WSET COURSES

The Retreat is delighted to be an Approved Programme Provider for the WSET Level 1 and 2 Award in Wines.

The Wine and Spirits Education Trust provides globally recognised qualifications in wines and spirits. Their courses provide excellent learning opportunities for wine lovers, trade professionals and enthusiastic hobbyists alike. Attending a WSET-approved programme at The Retreat will set you up with the knowledge to choose and appreciate wine with confidence. Our class sizes are a kept to a maximum of 16. Personal and un-intimidating.

The WSET Level 1 Award in Wines is the perfect beginners course for anyone with an interest in wine, be it for pleasure or a career in the service industry. This one-day course is offered 6 times a year on a Sunday or can be booked as a one-off day for groups of 8 or more - a perfect team-building experience! It also makes a great present for a wine-curious friend or family member. A delicious light lunch from our restaurant is included as part of the course. Full details of the course can be found below.

Course Details

WSET Level 1 Wines £220

About the course: This hands-on course will teach you to understand more about wine through sight, smell and taste. By the end of the course, you'll be able to taste wine using the Systematic Approach to Tasting, identify key styles of wine, and know the characteristics of important grape varieties. You'll also learn the key principles of food and wine pairing and how to apply these to your own food and wine choices.

Successful students will receive a WSFT certificate

Do I need any prior knowledge? No prior knowledge is required. All classes are delivered in English therefore a good level of English is beneficial.

Assessment – The exam takes place in the last session of the course. The exam consists of 30 multiple choice questions to be completed in 45 minutes. To pass you must correctly answer 70% of the questions. This qualification is Ofqual regulated.

What's included? – The cost includes all study materials, wine samples, tuition, examination, and VAT. Study materials are issued at the start of the course.