

***Wine Spectator* Recognizes Nation's Best Wine Lists; 13 Nashville Restaurants Honored**

And Trattoria Il Mulino names new somm to run wine program

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In addition to the Palm, the other winners are Mafiaoza's, Stoney River, Fleming's, Redlands Grill, Morton's, Ruth's Chris, 1808 Grille, City Winery, Bob's Steak & Chop House, Etch, 360 Bistro and Trattoria Il Mulino. As expected, most of the recognized restaurants are old-school steak houses with deep wine lists, but the addition of Trattoria Il Mulino adds a nice Italian option to the roster.

The classy Fourth Avenue Italian eatery has recently announced the addition of a new sommelier to keep their wine program at a high level. Rob Guimaraes has been named beverage manager and sommelier, and will be responsible for all aspects of Il Mulino's beverage program.

Guimaraes is also the founder of the Wine Nashville website, described as “a collaborative, community-based site aimed at exploring the mutual affinity for all things wine-related and for the sharing of knowledge and enjoyment of this vinous beverage.”

Heh, he said “vinous.”

You might recognize Guimaraes from his previous gig as the sommelier and wine director at the Bound'ry from 2012 to 2015. He is a Certified Sommelier from the Court of Master Sommeliers as well as a Certified Specialist of Wine from the Society of Wine Educators, so we can expect to see great things coming out of the cellar at Trattoria Il Mulino.