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THE LITTLE NELL WINE ACADEMY RETURNS THIS SPRING

Aspen, Colo. (January 31, 2018) – For a second consecutive year, **The Little Nell Wine Academy** is being offered, this time covering the “Wines of France.” Held from April 8 – 11 in Aspen, Colo., and presented by The Little Nell’s Master Sommelier and Wine Director Carlton McCoy, you’ll find a comprehensive course in the world of wines, spirits, food pairings, and service, as well as dining etiquette at the highest level of standards. The sophomore offering is open to one and all – no prior wine knowledge is necessary.

Joining McCoy in leading the courses are two fellow Master Sommeliers including Jay Fletcher, an expert in French wine, specifically Bordeaux. Classes will take place at the prestigious, members-only Aspen Mountain Club, situated at 11,212 feet, in full view of the awe-inspiring Elk Mountains. Meals, wine tastings and special events will also be staged at The Little Nell, with luxurious accommodations available for a preferred rate.

As a participant, you will develop the knowledge and confidence to discuss a comprehensive range of alcoholic beverages, as well as confidently recognize general wine quality and flaws. At the conclusion of the course, a two-part exam will be given, beginning with a blind tasting, followed by a written test.

Rounding out the program will be special guest Julian Leaver, also known as the Dapper Diplomat. A certified wedding planner and expert on etiquette and protocol, Julian will add a special element to our curriculum, speaking to manners within the realms of hospitality, business and entertaining.

The Little Nell is Aspen’s only Five-Star, Five-Diamond, ski-in/ski-out hotel, offering luxury services and unparalleled access to America’s most famous mountain town. Guests of The Little Nell – a Relais & Châteaux - enjoy a cosmopolitan yet intimate ambience, haute cuisine, and exclusive adventures and amenities designed to rejuvenate the mind, body and spirit. A leader in the food and

wine world, element 47 at The Little Nell has been recognized by *Wine Spectator* with The Grand Award since 1995, *Wine Enthusiast* as one of America's 100 Best Wine Restaurants since 2011, Forbes with a Five-Star rating since 2015, and the James Beard Foundation for its "Outstanding Wine Program." Counting a record number of ten in total, more Master Sommeliers have been on staff than at any other establishment in the country.

The registration fee of \$2,750 for The Little Nell Wine Academy covers the cost of the course, comprising two full-days and one half-day of presentations; a comprehensive workbook; exceptional wine and spirits from all over the world; and all meals and activities. There will also be many interactive opportunities for learning and networking, as well as experiencing all that the luxurious Little Nell offers. Accommodation is additional to the registration fee. Preferred room rates for the three-night course are available at \$225 per night, single or double occupancy. Pre- and post-stays are also available at the same rate, based on availability.

[The Schedule of Events can be viewed here.](#)

To reserve your place or for additional information, please contact Melina Glavas, Senior Events Manager: mglavas@thelittlenell.com or 970.920.6322.

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About The Little Nell

Cosmopolitan yet intimate, contemporary yet timeless, The Little Nell invites guests to experience Aspen's only Forbes Five-Star, AAA Five-Diamond, ski-in/ski-out hotel – a Relais & Châteaux resort. For more information and for reservations, please call 888.The.Nell (888.843.6355) or visit www.thelittlenell.com. Follow The Little Nell on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). #NellStyle

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