

The Cliffs to hold food and

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September will bring 10 days of gourmet cuisine and fine wines when The Cliffs communities present the fourth annual The Cliffs WINE + FOOD Festival.

The event will take place Sept. 22-30 at Cliffs properties around the Upstate. The festival opens Sept. 22 with the Ste. Michelle Wine Estates Dinner, featuring national wine educator Thom Horsey, at the Cliffs at Mountain Park.

The schedule also includes:

» An Evening of Wine and Mystery with Bartholomew Broadbent of Broadbent Selections, Sept. 22 at the Cliffs at

Keowee Vineyards.

» Ruinart Champagne Luncheon, Sept. 23 at the Cliffs at Walnut Cove.

» "The Falls Down Under" with Yanguarra Estate Vineyard, with Master of Wine Mollie Battenhouse, Sept. 23 at the Cliffs at Keowee Falls.

» Frog's Leap Wine Dinner with Frog's Leap general manager Jonah Beer, Sept. 23 at the Cliffs Valley.

» Wicked Weed Brewing Tour and Lunch, Sept. 25, the Cliffs at Walnut Cove.

» Partners With Wine: A Wine Pairing Seminar, Sept. 26 at the Cliffs at Glassy.

» Lake Cruise and Lowcountry Boil, Sept. 27 at the Cliffs at Keowee Springs Beach Club.

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» Roaring 20s Mixology Class and Demonstration, Sept. 27 at the Cliffs at Keowee Springs.

» The Joy of Wine Dinner with Rombauer Vineyards, with sales manager Jeff Papa, Sept. 28 at the Cliffs at Glassy.

» Domaine Serene Wine Dinner with sales manager Luis Reyneri and Nick Demos of Tryon Distributing, Sept. 28 at the Cliffs at Walnut Cove.

» A Tale of Two Lands: The Story of Napa and Sonoma, with Kistler Vineyards national sales manager and Master of Wine Geoff Labitzke and Spire Collection's vice president of sales and Master Sommelier John Blazon, Sept. 29 at the Cliffs at Keowee Falls.

» Educational Wine Symposium with Master of Wine Geoff Labitzke and Master Sommelier Michael McNeill, Sept. 30 at the Cliffs Valley.

» The Grand Tasting finale event Sept. 30 at the Cliffs at Mountain Park. This event will feature more than 150 wines to sample, along with a beer garden spotlighting breweries from the Carolinas, handcrafted spirits, food pairings, chef stations, culinary demonstrations and live music. Tickets are \$100 for members, \$125 for the general public.

Tickets for other events range from \$15-\$155. For more info, go to www.cliffsliving.com.