



Founder Andre L. Simon CBE

## *The International Wine & Food Society*

*c/o The Naval & Military Club, 4 St James Square, London SW1Y 4JU*

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### **About us:**

The IWFS is the world's oldest and most renowned gastronomic society outside the trade, with more than 6,500 members and over 130 branches worldwide. It was founded in London in 1933 by André Simon CBE, Legion d'Honneur, and the Society now has branches in almost 30 countries. M. Simon was a dedicated and knowledgeable gourmet and a connoisseur of fine wines. His writings are well respected and his books collected by lovers of good food and wine throughout the world.

### **Our aims:**

"The object of the Society is to bring together and serve all who believe that a right understanding of good food and wine is an essential part of personal contentment and health and that an intelligent approach to the pleasures and problems of the table offers far greater rewards than the mere satisfaction of appetite"

*Andre Simon, founder*

### **Do join us:**

To quote M. Simon again: "The first of all considerations is that our meals should be fun as well as fuel." The Society welcomes members of all ages around the world and prides itself on the high quality of its events whilst retaining the fun, and the immense pleasure, that sharing good food and wine can bring.

**We are always delighted to welcome new members - why not join us?**

### **Benefits of Membership include:**



The opportunity to meet like-minded people at Branch activities and at the Regional and International events which take place roughly once a year.



A quarterly magazine 'Food and Wine' with news and reports from and about the European and African membership, book reviews, events diary and topical culinary and wine writing.



An annual wine vintage guide incorporated into your credit-card sized membership card.



Access to the Society's reference library, the 'André Simon Collection', housed in the magnificent Guildhall Library, London.



#### Members discounts :-

- Reduced rate club facilities at the prestigious Naval & Military Club in London.
- Benefits from the Secretariat include research, contacts, guides and subject knowledge, book club, merchandise etc.
- Reduced admission charges to many major food and wine exhibitions.
- Discounts at leading hotels and restaurants.

### **Branch Activities**

The Branch structure throughout the IWFS forms the basis of members' activities. Branches are run by their own committees and are as diverse as the members who belong to them and the countries in which they are situated.

Some typical branch events:



Wine tastings – some regional, some focussing on grape varieties, some tutored, some informal.



Thematic events – gastronomy of a country or region; puddings and dessert wines; wines with cheeses, chocolate or fruit; discussions about wines and foods with expert guides.



Visits to vineyards, cheese-makers and other specialised producers, comparative tasting of products.



Specially planned restaurant meals, cookery demonstrations, self catering events in members homes or other venues.

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## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

### Society Subscription Rates (Due 1<sup>st</sup> January annually)

Standard membership	Young membership
Single .....£40.00	Single .....£20.00
Joint .....£52.00	Joint ..... £26.00

1. Joint membership is available to partners living at the same address.
2. Young membership rates are available to those aged between 18 and 36 on joining/renewal. Once a member reaches 37 (whether single or joint) the standard rates apply.
3. Joining between 1<sup>st</sup> July and 30<sup>th</sup> September the above rates are halved for that year.
4. Joining after 30<sup>th</sup> September the subscriptions are valid to 31<sup>st</sup> December of the following year.

### PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS

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I/We apply for: Single/Joint/Young\* membership

Surname.....(self) Mr/Mrs./Ms/Title\* .....(partner) Mr/Mrs./Ms/Title\*

Forenames.....(self) .....(partner)

Dates of birth (young members only).....(self) .....(partner)

Occupation.....(self) .....(partner)

Mailing address.....

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Post Code/Zip..... Country .....

Contact numbers including access codes:

Home telephone..... Daytime telephone.....

Mobile ..... Fax number.....

e-mail .....

I/We agree to the above personal data, together with subscription and attendance records, being automatically processed for the established aims of the Society

Signed..... Date.....

The Society does not release its membership records to any other organisation except the names and addresses on a confidential basis for the distribution of Society publications to Members.

Most members join a Branch, although this is not essential. In any event, new members will receive a list of the Society branches but if you know the branch/branches you wish to join please state below. You can join as many branches as you wish. Some branches have their own small subscription.

BRANCH.....

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US? .....

**I enclose my/our Society membership fees £.....**

**Cheques should be made payable to 'IWFS-EAC' and be in sterling on a UK bank account.**

Please send the completed form together with your payment, to the Membership Registrar, or to the Berkshire Branch secretary.

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