

Vinopolis
celebrates 10 years

Press Pack

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This press pack has been compiled to celebrate 10 years of Vinopolis success as London's premier wine, spirits, gastronomic and events destination.

In the current economic climate, more Londoners are choosing to rediscover their own city.

Nowhere in London offers the same unique combination of entertainment, education and events as Vinopolis.

Now is the time to experience what Vinopolis can offer and join in celebrating their 10th birthday under the arches.

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10 years of success

Vinopolis, celebrating its 10th anniversary in July and August, was the brainchild of Duncan Vaughan Arbuckle, a wine merchant who created the first London-based wine tasting and warehouse wine retail outlet. He realised that his clients wished to enhance their knowledge and enjoyment of wine, knowing how and by whom it is made.

His ambitious plan to create a unique experience dedicated to the world of wine involved securing considerable financial backing and locating a suitably impressive and historical site to house the venue.

Raising the funds for a project of this scale took years and after searching across London, the site at Bank End, in Southwark, was discovered beneath the arches of a Victorian railway viaduct.

The viaduct was originally built in 1866 by the South-Eastern Railway Company to carry their extension line from London Bridge Station over the river to Cannon Street on the north bank.

All that stood on the site was a series of long arches – to create the 2.5 acre Vinopolis site, external facades, internal walls, and mezzanines were added to the structure with its own Vinopolis fit out to accommodate the largest use of railway arches in the UK.

Vinopolis, the brand name of holding company Wineworld London Plc, opened its doors to the public for the very first time on the 23rd July 1999, initially as a 4 hour wine tour. Over the years the business has evolved according to market needs and today it runs as a thriving wine tour and leading corporate events venue with retail facilities and 4 restaurants and bars.

With its 10th birthday this year, Vinopolis is now a unique London experience, including the award-winning Cantina restaurant, a retail partner Majestic Wine, and the Whisky Exchange boasting the largest selection of whiskies in the world.

It now attracts 600,000 people every year to its Wine Tour, and has complemented that success with an ever-increasing events programme ranging from business dinners, parties and conferences to group tastings, hearty Celtic dancing and popular comedy nights.

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Vinopolis at a glance

Where is Vinopolis?

Vinopolis is situated at No. 1 Bank End in the heart of vibrant Bankside between London Bridge and the Tate. It is a 2.5 acre site within the arches of a Victorian railway viaduct adjacent to Borough Market.

What is the Wine Tour?

The famous Vinopolis Wine Tour offers self-guided packages to visitors with more than 150 wines from across the world to taste from, offering an invaluable and enjoyable learning experience. It also includes a Champagne bar, the Bombay Sapphire Blue Room, an Authentic Caribbean Rum Experience and a Microbrewery.

What else does Vinopolis offer?

Vinopolis also runs a programme of Masterclasses throughout the year, with resident experts offering everything from premium wine tasting, food and wine pairings to cocktail mixology. There is also extensive event space for private and corporate hire, a popular monthly comedy night, Laughter Lounge and a Cooking Academy.

Where does the name Vinopolis come from?

The name is a combination of Latin and Greek, meaning City of Wine.

What is the event space used for?

Vinopolis offers 7 distinct event spaces, including The Great Halls, one of the City's most sought after venues. Events range from business conferences, dinners and exhibitions to product launches, after-show parties and wedding receptions. Vinopolis is also licensed to hold civil wedding ceremonies and civil partnerships. The venue has also been used by film crews to film high-profile television series.

Who is your typical visitor?

Primarily ABC1 demographic, evenly split between men and women. They are typically aged between 25 and 55, with 85% coming from London and the South East. Thursday and Friday consist of mostly corporate visitors, with couples choosing to visit predominantly on Saturday and Sunday.

Who owns Vinopolis?

Around 600 private shareholders with the board of directors owning a controlling interest of over 90%.

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Vinopolis at a glance

Who are the members of the board?

The board consists of 4 Directors – non-executive chairman Sandy Anderson, 2 non-executive directors, Michael Loubser and former Finance Director Roger Wood and Managing Director Rupert Ellwood.

How many people are employed on the Vinopolis site?

Currently a total of 165 staff, being 48 full-time staff, 42 casual staff including wine guides and event support staff, and 75 staff in the restaurants and bars.

Why should people visit Vinopolis?

Vinopolis de-mystifies the wine tasting phenomenon so people can enjoy comfortable tasting in a fun environment. Visitors can spend an entire day at Vinopolis, a great destination in the reawakened London Bridge area.

What was the company's turnover last year?

The turnover for the year to 31st July 2008 was £8.7 million, and profit before taxation was increased by 20% on the previous year to £1.3 million.

How many visitors came through the doors last year?

Vinopolis receives more than 600,000 people every year. This includes 110,000 visitors experiencing the tour and over 45,000 using the event spaces, with 445,000 people visiting the bars and the restaurants.

Has Vinopolis won any awards recently?

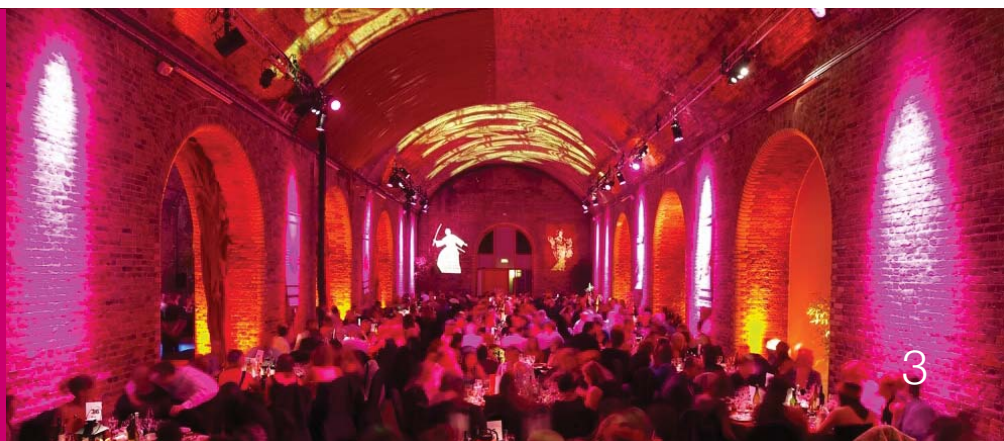
Yes, a Silver for Best Tourist Experience in the Visit London Awards 2008. Cantina has been awarded 2 Rosettes every year since 2001, a further Rosette would elevate them to Michelin Star level.

How has it changed over the last 10 years?

Over the past 10 years, Vinopolis has evolved into a successful destination for not only wine tasting, but as one of London's most coveted venues hosting everything from high-profile rock concerts to corporate conferences. Each of the distinct brands under the Vinopolis umbrella have now been defined in their individual right. A programme of Vinopolis' own events, such as the popular Laughter Lounge comedy nights, has been introduced. Moreover, a recent addition to the portfolio is the Inneventive Cooking Academy at Vinopolis that can accommodate up to 100 clients at each session.

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What is the future for Vinopolis?

Wineworld London PLC was recently granted permission by Southwark Council to create a new street for London with a walkway between Park Street and Brew Wharf off Stoney Street, part of the Vinopolis complex. The scheme will include an 80-cover restaurant, a bakery and will create 55 new jobs. Building work will begin later in 2009.

How can I arrange an interview with Rupert Ellwood?

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The leader of the brand

Rupert Ellwood Managing Director of Vinopolis

After graduating from Oxford Brookes in Hotel and Catering management in 1995, Rupert joined the House of Lords a year later, firstly as Assistant Banqueting Manager and subsequently as Deputy Head of Catering.

Over the next 8 years, he developed the events business there, taking turnover from £0.3 million per year to £2 million, in particular organising a dinner for 300 for the Queen's Golden Wedding, and a reception for the Golden Jubilee.

In January 2005, Rupert began working for Marylebone Cricket Club, where he helped start up the Lord's in-house catering team after they ended their external catering contract.

One of the most prominent events during Rupert's time at Lord's was organising the Testimonial for former England cricket captain Michael Vaughan.

10 months later, in October 2005, Rupert was appointed Head of Events and Catering at The Natural History Museum.

In a role that combined commercial events and public catering, he revitalised the museum's image by promoting it as flexible and exciting event space as well as sourcing the most creative and dynamic suppliers.

Much as he has now done and is still doing with Vinopolis, Rupert promoted the message that the Natural History Museum was an exciting space to hold an event.

Combining event expertise with innate industry knowledge, Rupert ensured a considerable increase in the museum's net profits by £0.5 million as well as diversifying the client base.

During his time as Head of Events and Catering, he organised several prestigious events previously unheard of at the museum, including the BAFTA aftershow party for 1500 guests, a Phones4U Charity event featuring a set by Tina Turner and a unique rock concert for 1000 T-Mobile customers with the Strokes at just 10 days notice.



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He also achieved the previously unachievable when he shut part of the museum for the first time for the launch of the Honda Formula 1 Earth Car.

In October 2007, Rupert was headhunted by the Vinopolis board and joined as Managing Director. Being the only executive member of the board, he is responsible for the corporate and operational aspect of Vinopolis.

Since joining Vinopolis, he has repositioned each of the brands under the Vinopolis umbrella, such as the Vinopolis Wine Tour and Vinopolis: The Venue, defining them in their individual right.

He has driven new business for the already well-known Wine Tour, by adding monthly themes such as an Australian Wine Fortnight and English Wine Week, offering second time visitors a new experience.

He has extended the successful masterclass programme and introduced Vinopolis' own range of Friday night consumer events, such as the Laughter Lounge comedy nights, The Reel Ceilidh and the soon to be launched Latin Fever night.

And just as with the Natural History Museum, Rupert has made his mark with the events side to the business, organising the filming of a well-known television series at the 2.5 acre site and an exclusive music gig by singer Sharlene Spiteri for listeners of Magic FM.

But he believes his biggest achievements are seeing 1600 wine tour visitors through the door on Valentine's Day 2008 – the largest number of visitors in any single day during Vinopolis' 10 years of existence and maintaining EBITDA at the same levels as those prior to the recession.

Outside of work life, Rupert is married with 2 children. He plays golf, enjoys cycling to work and rides 40 kilometres every Saturday morning.

As befits the Managing Director of Vinopolis, Rupert harbours a long-standing love of wine, particularly reds from Chile and the Languedoc. 'My wife is French and my brother-in-law is a wine maker in Languedoc,' he says, 'I have quite a few of his vintages.'

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The Wine Tour

The Vinopolis Wine Tour is a unique experience dedicated to the discovery, exploration and appreciation of the world of wine and spirits.

With emphasis on engaging education, visitors can meander slowly through the twists and turns of the Wine Tour under the Victorian arches, learning and tasting as they go, from wine, Bombay Sapphire cocktails and whisky to beer, rum and absinthe.

The Wine Tour features more than 150 wines from across the world in themed sections, including those from the traditional wine-making regions such as France and Italy, to those lesser known 'New Latitude' countries, such as Thailand and China.

In addition, there is a Champagne Bar, the Bombay Sapphire Blue Room, the Whisky Still Room, an Authentic Caribbean Rum Experience and Vinopolis' own Microbrewery.

Vinopolis also organises regular focus weeks on the Wine Tour to expand visitor knowledge about particular varieties of wine or regions. These focus weeks have included English Wine Week, Australian Wine Fortnight and Fairtrade Fortnight. During these stand-out weeks, visitors can delve even further into the region, with relevant food and wine pairing sessions and events to meet the winemakers themselves.

Self-guided tours

The Vinopolis Wine Tour offers 4 self-guided tours where visitors can go round at their leisure, sampling wines and spirits at tasting tables along the way.

Each of the 4 tours includes admission and a 'How to Taste Wine' session from a Vinopolis guide, which takes place every 30 minutes.

Each visitor also receives a Vinopolis tasting notebook containing general information about wine and grape varieties.

Vinopolis now offers 2 ticket types on all self guided tours, a flexi ticket that is valid Thursday through to Sunday (including Saturdays) redeemable within a 6 month period or a regular ticket valid on Thursdays, Friday and Sundays redeemable within a 3 month period.

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The Wine Tour

Guests can choose from one of the following 4 tours:

The Vinopolis Grapevine

A 'How to Taste Wine' session, 5 regular wine tastings, a Bombay Sapphire cocktail, a Vinopolis tasting notebook.

From £19.50/person

The Vinopolis Vineyard

A 'How to Taste Wine' session, 5 regular wine tastings, 2 premium wine tastings, 2 rum tastings, a Bombay Sapphire cocktail, a Vinopolis tasting notebook.

From £25/person

The Spirit of Vinopolis

A 'How to Taste Wine' session, 5 regular wine tastings, 2 whisky tastings, 2 absinthe tastings, 2 beer tastings, 2 rum tastings, a Bombay Sapphire cocktail, a Vinopolis tasting notebook.

From £27.50/person

The Vinopolis Celebration

A 'How to Taste Wine' session, 5 regular wine tastings, 2 premium wine tastings, 3 Champagne tastings, 2 rum tastings, an audio guide featuring Oz Clarke, a Vinopolis tasting notebook.

From £32.50/person

Visitors on the tour can also complement their tasting with authentic Spanish tapas from Spanish food retailer Brindisa of nearby Borough Market. Delicious options include Serrano ham, mild chorizo and piquillos peppers. Individual items can be purchased on the tour for as little as £1. Platters start at £4.

Guided tours

Vinopolis also offer guided tours for groups of 10 or more people that last 1 hour.

From £25/person

Group discounts are available for pre-booked groups of 8 or more people when booked over the phone.

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The Wine Tour

The Vinopolis Wine Club

The Vinopolis Wine Club started in December 2008, and aims to provide an easy way of purchasing the whole collection of wines available on the Vinopolis Wine Tour.

The wine is available to order both from the sales counter on the Vinopolis Wine Tour, or through the bespoke website which lists all of the available wines, and offers direct home delivery. www.vinopoliswineclub.co.uk

Gift Ideas

Vinopolis offers plenty of gift ideas, including tickets to the Wine Tour and a series of gift packages in the 'Vinopolis in a Box' range which include tickets to the tour and different wines and spirits.

Events

Vinopolis offers a fun and exciting list of events, ranging from wine tastings and masterclasses to Celtic dancing and hen parties. Brides to be can enjoy an extraordinary day out with the girls for a cultured hen party that still oozes fun. Stags can relax and indulge in fine whiskies and wines surrounded by their best friends in an elegant setting.

Hen parties

Enjoy a sophisticated and fun day out with the girls on a Vinopolis Hen Party. Lots of interactive and enjoyable activities await the guests such as going on a wine tour, blind tastings and a fun cocktail mixing session.

£30/person

Go all out and upgrade to the Champagne hen party where tastings additionally include Champagne. This is also a great option for a girls night out of fun.

£40/person

Stag parties

Guests can indulge in an array of drinks including wines, rum, whisky and absinthe. A stag night is the perfect opportunity to relax and indulge in your favourite tipples. The tour guide will introduce the groom and friends to the fine nuances of wine tasting in a private session, followed by blind tastings and an absinthe making session.

£30/person

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Tasting Events

Vinopolis runs a range of tasting events, classes and masterclasses throughout the year for visitors to further extend their knowledge.

From learning how wine is produced to how to mix the perfect cocktail under the tutelage of Vinopolis' resident experts, the tasting events make great gifts or team-building activities.

Vinopolis offers tasting events for individuals, or private tastings for a minimum of 10 people per group.

Welcome to Wine

This light-hearted introduction to wine-tasting gives visitors the opportunity to sample 6 wines and perfect a 'sniff, swirl and slurp' technique under the tutelage of a Vinopolis expert. The monthly sessions last for 1 hour. £35/person

Welcome to Premium Wine

An hour-long exploration into some of the world's finest wines, vineyards and wine production methods. Each wine retails at between £15 and £40 per bottle. The monthly sessions gives those who love the finer things in life the unique opportunity to sample a range of premium wines. £40/person

Welcome to Food and Wine

The perfect way to learn how to match food and wine for any occasion, these monthly 2 hour taste sessions provide the opportunity to taste 6 wines accompanied by a range of mouth-watering homemade dishes. Each guest will receive a set of wine-tasting notes and recipes for the dishes sampled. £60/person

Cheese and Wine Workshop

Under the guidance of in-house Vinopolis experts, guests can taste 6 specially selected wines with an assortment of delightful cheeses in a 1.5 hour session. £49/person

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Tasting Events

Tom Forrest Wine School

Run by Tom Forrest, Vinopolis' resident wine expert, the monthly workshops focus on particular wines and regions from across the world. Visitors can discover and enjoy up to 8 wines from some of today's best winemakers. Each workshop, which lasts 2.5 hours, includes a set of tasting notes about the wines and a set of 6 wine-tasting glasses. Tickets can be booked for a specific session or open dated. £59/person

Meet the Experts

Vinopolis plays host to a series of exclusive wine tasting sessions throughout the year giving consumers the chance to 'Meet the Experts' – Oz Clarke and Matt Skinner.

In his 10th consecutive year as a Vinopolis expert, celebrity wine connoisseur, Oz Clarke's formidable reputation is based on his extensive wine knowledge and accessible, no-nonsense approach - as seen in his recent television wine adventure with James May.

Acknowledged as having one of the finest palates of anyone writing about wine today, Oz brings a refreshingly unorthodox wit and directness to the subject.

Before wine took over his life in 1984, Oz was a full time actor and singer, appearing in the West End hit shows such as Evita, Sweeney Todd and The Mitford Girls, and touring with the Royal Shakespeare Company.

At each tasting session with Oz Clarke, guests will be guided through the world of wine, tasting 5 specially selected wines and learning how to assess appearance, taste and smell.

An award-winning wine author, Matt Skinner has twice been short-listed for the IWSC International Communicator of the Year Award, and penned international bestseller Thirsty Work, published in 17 countries and 10 languages.

In his 3rd year as a Vinopolis expert, Matt continues to put together his annual guide, The Juice – 100 wines you should be drinking and makes regular contributions to Waitrose Food Illustrated (UK), GQ Australia and jamieoliver.com.

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Masterclasses

Masterclasses held at Vinopolis are both whisky and cocktail mixology.

Whisky Masterclass

Whisky lovers and novices alike can explore the tastes of 6 single malt and blended whiskies, including Scotch, Bourbon and Irish, and learn all about the evolution of the malting process from the experts. Second Thursday of every month for 1.5 hours. £39/person

Cocktail Masterclass

A rare opportunity to learn how to mix impressive cocktail creations, this interactive masterclass gives a unique insight into bar culture and the art of bartending alongside Vinopolis' resident mixologist. First Thursday of every month for 1.5 hours. £49/person

The Inneventive Cooking Academy

Vinopolis has teamed up with Inneventive to create an unrivalled culinary experience. Aimed at the corporate markets during the week and at the consumer over the weekend, its bespoke kitchen offers the ultimate interactive cookery events, perfect for team building and client entertainment for groups of 15 to 100 people.

In what is an engaging and unforgettable team event, skilled chefs are on hand to teach even the most novice of cooks how to prepare a range of culinary delights. The cooks can then enjoy the fruits of their culinary labours at the end of the session. From £125/person

Special events

Vinopolis also hosts regular special events throughout the year, including "The Reel Ceilidh" where visitors can enjoy high energy Celtic dancing, and the Vine to Wine Experience, where visitors can enjoy the Vinopolis Wine Tour before going to Denbies English Vineyard in Surrey.

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The Venue

Since its creation 10 years ago, Vinopolis has stamped its mark on the events market as the primary venue in London for hosting everything from high profile rock concerts to company conferences.

Complementing its celebrated Wine Tour, Vinopolis has now developed into a vibrant and exciting setting for both corporate and private events, including weddings and civil partnerships.

Vinopolis offers a staggering choice of 7 stunning event spaces which merge Victorian splendour with modern facilities and innovative lighting installations. The in-house catering and AV teams ensure a time-efficient set up.

The Great Halls

Boasting high vaulted ceilings and oak floors. Easily accessible through the street level private entrance they lend themselves particularly well to tiered events.

The Mezzanine

With its abundant light and exposed brickwork is a successful blend of contemporary and traditional architecture and lends itself particularly well to conferences and receptions.

The Gallery

Product launches and exhibitions find a great blank canvas in The Gallery. It is a unique and flexible space that can morph from the elegant to the dramatic.

The Bombay Sapphire Blue Room

Offering a stylish and glamorous setting for a cocktail mixology team building experience for up to 30 participants. Alternatively this space can be used as for an exclusive reception or a cocktail party for up to 80 guests.

The Vineyard

The ideal space for hosting small conferences and meetings. Ideally suited for a theatre presentation, it can also be utilised for board meetings of up to 30 people.

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Weddings at Vinopolis

The soaring Victorian arches and high vaulted ceilings add a feeling of splendour and great romance to the events spaces making them ideal for weddings or civil ceremonies, which Vinopolis holds a licence for. The Vinopolis events management team can coordinate every vital aspect of the ceremony, from the set-up to the finest in culinary delights and masterful lighting, freeing up the bride and groom to enjoy their day.

Corporate Hire

Vinopolis makes a great venue for corporate Christmas parties, conferences and even TV crews looking to film in a dramatic and flexible venue.

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Restaurants and Bars

Within its 2.5 acre site, Vinopolis houses 4 of the best restaurants and bars in Bankside.

Cantina

Operated by renowned Michelin-starred restaurateurs Claudio Pulze and Trevor Gulliver, Cantina is an award-winning a la carte European restaurant under the arches at Vinopolis.

Visitors never fail to be amazed by the extensive menu, compiled by Executive Chef Moges Wolde, with more than a nod to the Mediterranean, and a wine list containing more than 400 wines, 100 of which are available by the glass.

Born in Ethiopia, Moges Wolde was brought up in Cuba from the age of 8. Living in Havana, he trained and qualified as a doctor before moving to London in 1996 where he trained to be a chef. He has worked in some of London's top restaurants, including Asia de Cuba, Home in Leicester Square and at the Berkeley Hotel in Knightsbridge. He joined Cantina Vinopolis in March 2000 and worked under the celebrity chef Jason Atherton, now the Head Chef for Maze Restaurant by Gordon Ramsey.

Claudio Pulze is one of London's most prolific and successful restaurateurs. In 1992 he teamed up with actor Michael Caine and star chef Marco Pierre White to open the landmark Canteen in Chelsea, which went on to win a Michelin star.

He has worked with celebrity chefs Gordon Ramsay, Georgio Locatelli and Marcus Wareing, and in 1999 launched Vinum Restaurants with Trevor Gulliver to open the 200-seater Cantina. The following year, the pair added the Wine Wharf wine bar to the complex and, in 2006, opened the Brew Wharf restaurant and micro-brewery nearby. Trevor Gulliver opened the famous St John eatery at a neglected site at Smithfield Market in 1994.

He is also an experienced public speaker on wine and food and appears at food and wine festivals and conferences across the globe.

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Restaurants and Bars

Bar Blue

Bar Blue is an impressive cocktail bar, the first of its kind in the London Bridge area. The brand colours of Bombay Sapphire Gin have been used, creating an elegant floral pattern that was inspired by the collection of ingredients used in the beverage known as “the botanicals”. The frame created for the bar is made out of blue mirrored glass and has the intricate pattern etched out. This allows for a unique play of 2 visual effects, which alternate between day and night.

During daylight hours the etched out flowers within the blue mirrored surface have a very subtle effect of surprising the eye which finds them, whereas at night, lighting behind the glass shines through the floral etching to illuminate the bar, increasing its visibility from the street.

Brew Wharf

Brew Wharf Bar and Restaurant opened its doors in October 2005 and contains its own microbrewery. Brew Wharf's cuisine draws on the traditions of brasseries and brew houses of Northern Europe, and neighbouring Borough Market. From cherry to wheat beer, Brew Wharf offers the rare opportunity to sample a wide range of beers, not to mention an impressive wine list.

The design has been kept fresh and simple, with the bar, the cellar, and the brewery defining the space. The white mosaic floor, spelling out the name of the bar, accentuates the interior, with a crisp and clean look against the brickwork of the walls. The inspiration for the floor originates from the well-known brasseries of New York, such as Balthazar and Pastis.

Wine Wharf

Wine Wharf is a cosy pared-down bar with an industrial edge. The building combines a modern style bar and kitchen with the industrial chic of a Victorian warehouse. Originally built as part of the railway engineering works, it was reclaimed in 2000 to become an addition to the Vinopolis complex.

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Laughter Lounge

Conceived by Managing Director Rupert Ellwood in October 2008, Laughter Lounge is a hilarious comedy night designed to showcase yet another side of Vinopolis the destination.

Held on the last Friday of the month, Laughter Lounge is a cracking night out with top acts, fabulous drinks and quality food offering a great way to start the weekend and catch up with friends.

Held in the breathtaking setting of The Great Halls, Laughter Lounge features many first class acts heralded by the national press. Comedians have included – Terry Alderton, Zoe Lyons, Barry Castogna, Ivan Brackenbury, Miles Jupp, Stuart Goldsmith. Alastair Barrie and Danny Buckler.

Laughter Lounge is programmed by comedy agency CK Productions, who have previously produced So You Think You're Funny? for Channel 4 and have promoted The BBC New Comedy Awards.

Laughter Lounge will be held in 2009 on June 26th, July 31st, September 25th, October 30th and November 27th.

Doors open at 18:30, Show starts at 20:00
Price: £12 in advance / £15 on the door

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Vinopolis is the ultimate London destination

- It is individual– there is nothing else like it
- It is about discovery – from wine to whisky to food
- It is established – it has gone from strength to strength over the last decade and celebrates its 10th birthday this year
- It is vibrant entertainment – it is the most coveted events space in London
- It is a historical setting in the heart of the city

Information

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Wine Tour Opening Times

Thursday and Friday – 12pm to 9.30pm

Saturday 12pm – 10pm

Sunday and selected Bank Holidays – 12pm to 6pm

Last admission is 2.5 hours before closing time. The Bombay Sapphire Blue Room closes 30 minutes before the tour closes.

The Vinopolis Wine Tour is wheelchair friendly throughout.

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- One to one briefings with relevant media
- Regular social press meetings
- Press kit creation, adaptation and distribution
- Image control and sending
- Competitor monitoring
- Event management
- Reactive and proactive press work
- Consultancy advice and media training

To take advantage of any of interview possibilities and for all press enquiries, including tickets, please contact Clemence de Crecy, Hollye Blades or Amina Salahuddin at Clementine Communications on 0870 732 3015 or email clemence@clementinecom.com, hollye@clementinecom.com or amina@clementinecom.com



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