

# WILD WINE, BEER & FOOD SAFARI

Saturday, June 1, 2024 | 6:00 - 9:00 PM Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo

Join Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo for a spectacular food, wine, and beer showcase! The Wild Wine, Beer, and Food Safari is celebrating its 18th year on Saturday, June 1, 2024. This event features Connecticut's best restaurants, caterers, and beer and wine vendors.

This annual favorite is a sell-out event, with 1,200 adults from Fairfield & New Haven counties attending every year. Advertise to a large audience and expand your community reach by bringing menus, business cards, and pamphlets.

**There is no cost to participating in this event** – and all funds raised go towards the Zoo's mission of education and protecting endangered species.

### **Benefits Your Restaurant/Business Receives**

- Promotion on the Zoo's website, e-newsletter (73,000+ subscribers) and a tagged post on our Facebook page (39,000+ followers)
- Ad in our event program
- Listing on the Zoo's preferred vendors page for special events & rentals
- The Zoo provides a shared tent, signage, trash receptacle, tablecloth, plates, utensils, ice and electricity (if needed)
- The Zoo handles all food permitting required by the City of Bridgeport to participate
- Because we are a non-profit, all food/product costs are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law, and you will receive a donation receipt post-event

### What do I need to bring?

As a participant, you are asked to provide sample-sized portions of your food for 1,200 guests and the serving staff necessary to work the evening. Pick a best seller or easy-to-serve favorite to impress our guests! This is a great opportunity to showcase your catering menu. Participating restaurants & caterers must be prepared to serve from 6PM through 9PM. We will require a copy of your food service license at least two weeks prior to event date to secure the proper permits.

## Where do the proceeds go?

Funds raised at the Wild Wine, Beer, and Food Safari are used throughout the Zoo to fund necessary exhibit improvements, expand our educational programming, and conserve critically endangered species around the world.



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## 2024 Vendor Confirmation Form

	Yes! Count on our participation at the Zoo's Wild Wine, Beer & Food
	Safari on Saturday, June 1, 2024 at Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo from
	6PM-9PM (Stations must be set up and ready to serve by 5:30PM)
	<b>Unable to join us this year? Or want go above and beyond?</b> 20% of event proceeds come from bidding on silent auction items, including restaurant gift cards - <i>please consider supporting our silent auction!</i>
	lete the following information and return with a copy of your food se and ServSafe Certification (if not expiring before June 1, 2024).
Restaurant/Cat	erer Name:
Street Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Contact Name:	
Email:	Phone:
Food/Dish Plan	ning to Serve:
Supplies Neede	ed: Napkins Plates Forks

Promotional materials are welcome and encouraged! Our guests love menus, flyers, coupons - whatever you feel best promotes your business.

Thank you for your support of the Zoo's most popular annual fundraiser!

Please submit form and required materials to send with form to: Amanda Webster-Rizzo, Development & Marketing Manager 1875 Noble Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06610 awebsterrizzo@beardsleyzoo.org | 203.394.6573

