



Dear Participants,

Our wine and food adventure starts in less than a month! We are looking forward to meeting you soon and spending a week engaging with the topic of food and wine pairing. We will learn about how we perceive flavors, some basic wine and food chemistry, and how flavor chemicals can interact to change the perception of wine and food flavors. Learning more increases our appreciation of a glass of wine with a meal.

We plan to use lectures & hands-on activities to concentrate on different aspects of the flavors of wine and food and how these flavors can interact to produce more interesting tasting experiences. Kathy will begin the week with you, and Annemarie takes over for the later days.

With a few exceptions, each day will have at least one lecture to introduce students to the topic. We want you to learn through experience, though, so every day will have different sensory-focused activities. All rooms for the first few days are locapted in Stocking Hall, with the dairy bar conveniently located near the winery and classrooms. You might want an ice cream cone after class at least once! Our first classroom meeting will be in room 202 in Stocking Hall. If you enter from the Wing Drive door (NOT Tower Road), find the elevator or staircase and go to the second floor (2 floors above ground floor). For some reason, the floors in this part of Stocking Hall are first floor, M floor, 2nd floor. When you exit the stairwell or elevator, take a right and the classroom is at the end of the hall.

Plan to dress comfortably and wear closed-toe shoes, since we will spend some time this week in the winery, a kitchen, and a vineyard. All of our spaces are air conditioned, so even if it is 90°F outside, you might want a light sweater for when we sit down.

If you have any questions or concerns that need to be addressed before we meet, please mail us at kja1@cornell.edu (Kathy) or alm22@cornell.edu (Annemarie). Otherwise, jot down your questions so we can discuss them with the whole class. We are anticipating an educational and fun week with you beginning on July 10.

Cheers,

Kathy Arnink and Annemarie Morse