

## **Hosting a Trilogy Wine Club Home Social**

The Trilogy Wine Club monthly home social is one of the most popular events in Trilogy. The wine club board strives to make this event a pleasurable experience for our hosting members, as well as the attendees, each month.

All wine club members who participate in the home social events are required to host periodically. Normally each household will be called upon only once every few years. Members who enjoy hosting may volunteer to host more frequently by contacting the board members responsible for the events at TWCHomeSocial@trilogywineclub.com.

## What the Board Does

- A wine club board member will meet with you, or talk to you on the phone, to schedule the date
  for your event. They will discuss the event with you and answer any questions you may have. If
  the date you are requested to host does not work for you, you will be asked to choose an
  alternative date. The board will work with you to fit your schedule.
- The wine club will select the theme of the month (type of wines) and will send out all invitations. They will be sent only to members who have chosen to participate in the home social events.
- The club will make all home assignments. The number of people assigned to your home will be based on the model home that you have, the time of the year (will people be outside), and any other pertinent circumstances. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please discuss it with the board member who schedules the event with you.
- Prior to the event, a board member will visit your home. They will bring the WINE sign (for you to put up on the front of your house) plus all other hosting materials.
- Whenever possible, a board member will be assigned to your home for the event. They will arrive
  a few minutes early, identify themselves, and assist you with anything that you need. During the
  event, they will take a bottle count and a headcount.
- All events are scheduled for 6 PM to 8 PM. Often some members will remain beyond the 8 PM deadline, but usually all members leave by nine. If you would like the event closed anytime after 8 PM, ask the board member assigned and they will inform people that it is time to go.

## What the Host Does

As the host, you are not expected to provide any wine or food. You are requested to provide:

• Adequate table or counter space for wine and food. To reduce congestion, it is recommended that the wine and the food be in different locations and that the white wine is separated from the red wine. Weather permitting, it is best if the wine is outdoors and the food is indoors.

- <u>Two large containers half full of ice for white wine</u>. If the weather is warm and the wine is outdoors, a bucket to keep the red wine is also recommended. Please have two or three bags of ice on hand.
- Two or three wine bottle openers, and to open the wine when it arrives. The first 20 minutes can be intense, so it is recommended that you have a friend available to assist you.
- <u>Paper plates, napkins and plastic forks</u> for the appetizer table.
- Two or three large trash containers placed in strategic locations.
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At the end of the event, any leftover wine is yours to keep.

**Important Note:** Home Socials are sponsored Wine Club events. The Club does not allow any solicitation at any Club events. Please do not solicit funds for charity or sell anything, or permit anyone else to do so, at your home event.

## **Feedback from Previous Hosts**

Most members who have hosted in the past have done so multiple times, some every year. The general feedback from hosts is very positive. Typically they tell us that this was the easiest party they ever had. Your wine club board wants to make this a very positive experience for all of our hosts. *If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Home Hosting Event Team at* TWCHomeSocial@TrilogyWineClub.com.