

Verdetto: how to play

the table's verdict

THE IDEA

Everyone tastes the same wines and gives each glass a verdict: a few stars, one word and, when the bottles are hidden, a guess at what it is. At the end the table compares notes, the host reveals the wines, and you find out whose palate agrees with whose. Nobody needs to know anything about wine.

HOW IT RUNS

Pour one glass at a time, the same for everyone. Each guest fills in that glass's column: stars, a word, a guess and what they would pay. When every glass is done, go round the table glass by glass and read the scores aloud. The host turns the reveal cards, counts the right guesses and calls “Verdetto!” for tonight's favourite.

YOU NEED

Four to eight wines and three to twelve people, the host included. Print one Verdetto sheet per guest, the host sheet, and the bottle tags and reveal cards if the bottles are hidden. Pens, water and something to spit into. Allow about an hour and a half for six wines.

Verdetto!

Say it as you name tonight's favourite, after the last glass is scored.

If you argue, the host decides.