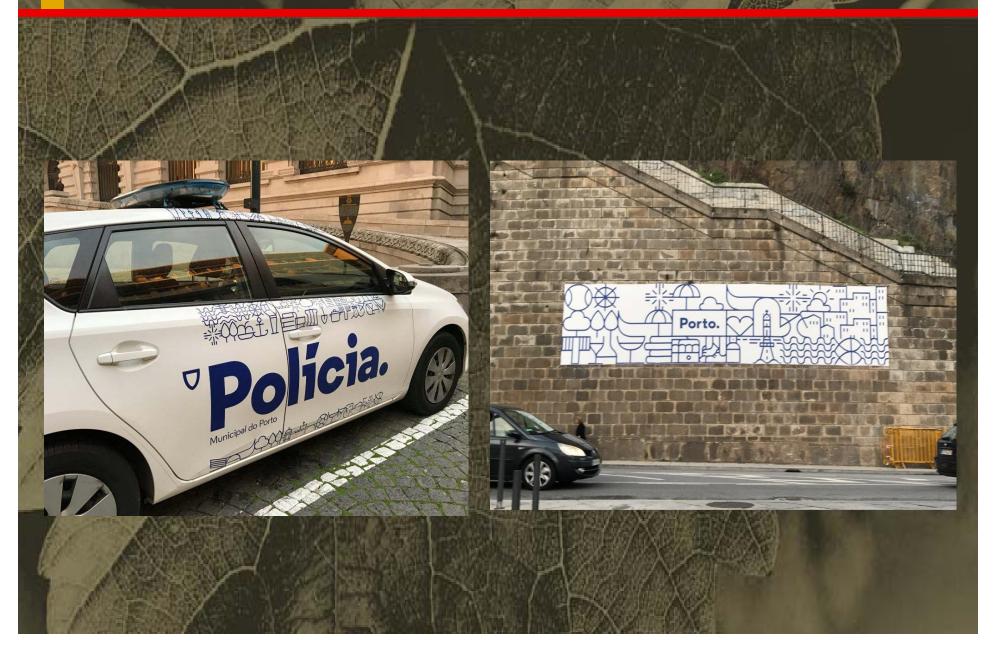


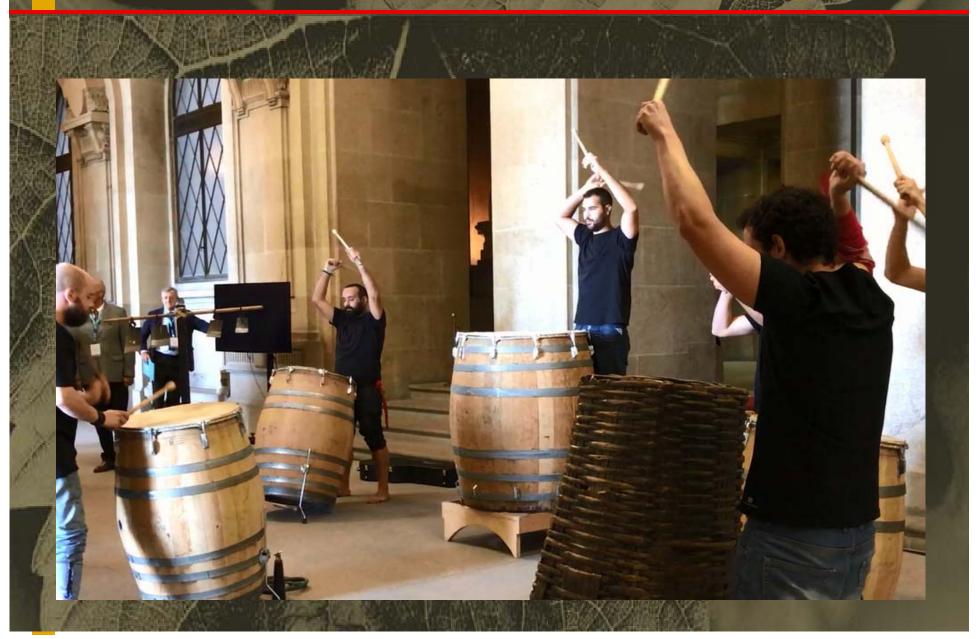


Porto Branding





Opening Ceremony



GWC - Strategic Objectives

Growing the Great Wine Capitals brand globally as a quality brand, a sign of excellence Promoting member cities and their wine regions Organizing common development programs **Networking with other national and international** wine-business tourism networks to position the GWC as a relevant association on the international scene.



Technical/Business/Civic Tours



Civic Tour and reception at the Porto City Hall



Business delegation:

- 22 companies and 5 travel network agencies:
- **≥** 2 ½ days visiting Porto, Douro and Vinho Verde
- Networking activities between GWC businesses



Technical Tours / 3 different programs

- Douro Landscapes
- Douro art and Architecture
- Vinho Verde Experience

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Official Signature of Verona, Italy, 10th member of GWC by Nicola Carlo





GWC Delegates meetings

- 2 Executive Committee Meetings
- Thematic Committees Meetings
- Travel Network Meetings
- Best Of Jury
- 45 hours of meetings





GWC meetings

Theme 1

Session: How consumers perceive environmental responsibility strategies for winemaking.

- Promoting wine as a product with a natural origin should include proposals for protecting the environment
- Continued use of classical production methods vs. entire winemaking sector's role in safeguarding the environment
- Topics: ecological footprint, functional and genetic biodiversity, as well as climate change.



GWC meetings

Theme 2 Panel discussion: Examples of environmental responsibility strategies.

Two international cases: from Spain and South Africa, and two Portuguese cases – from the Douro and from the Vinho Verde Regions, will be presented and discussed with those responsible for their implementation.



Stringent Port standards

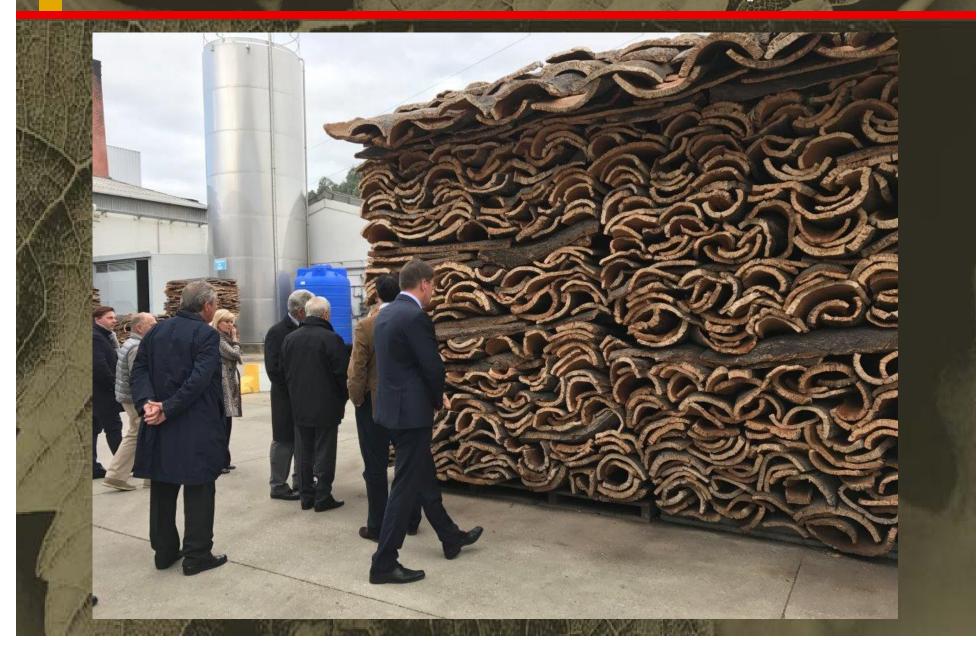




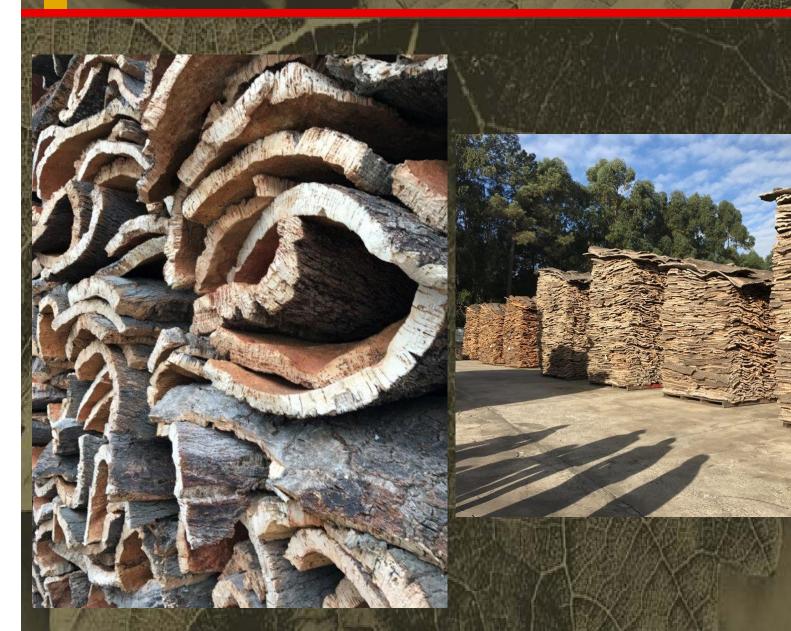
Cork Workshop & International Wine Tasting at the Yeatman Hotel



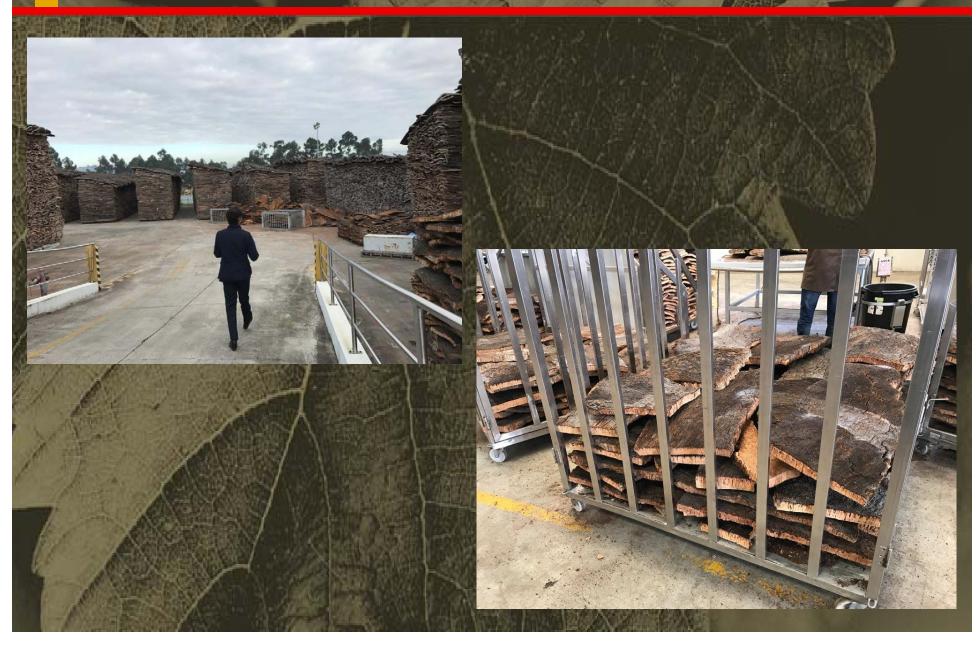






















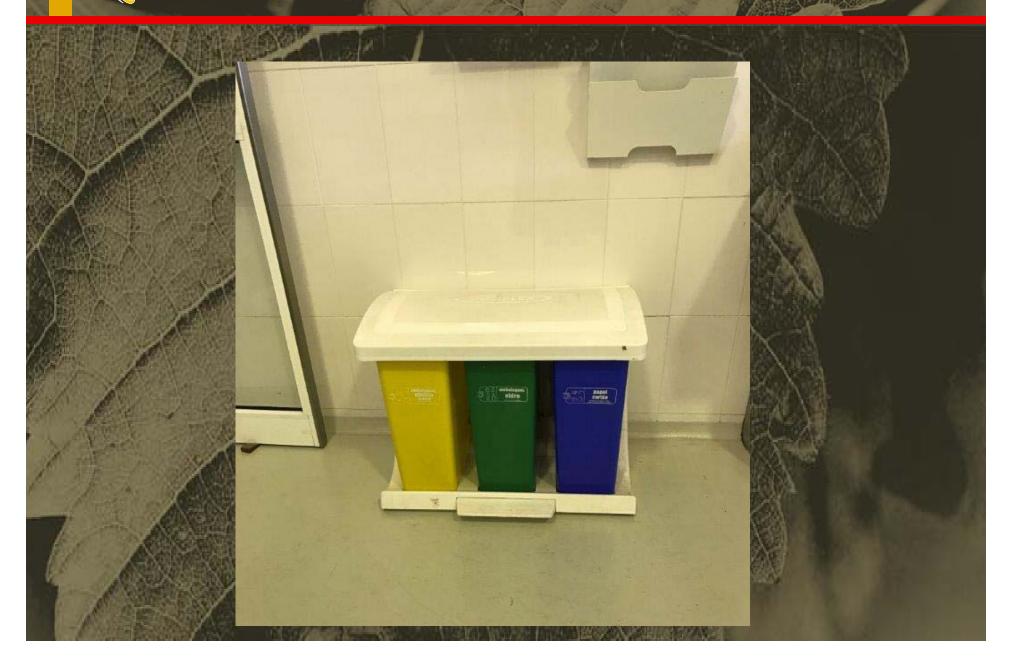


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Cork for Napa



Great Wine Capitals Cork Workshop – Production Facility



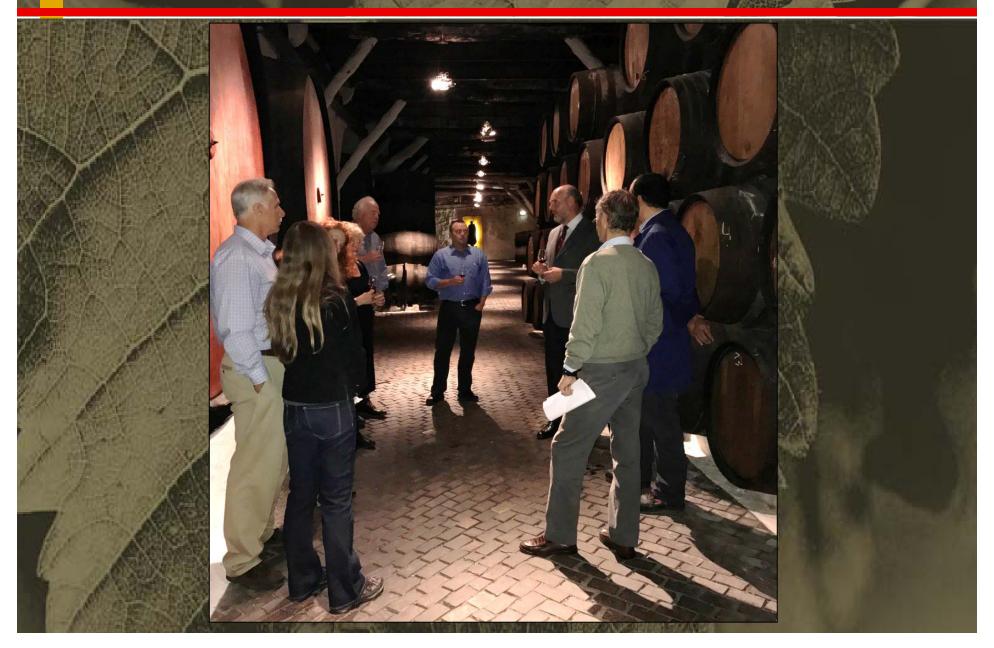
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George Sandeman, owner





Sandeman barrel storage





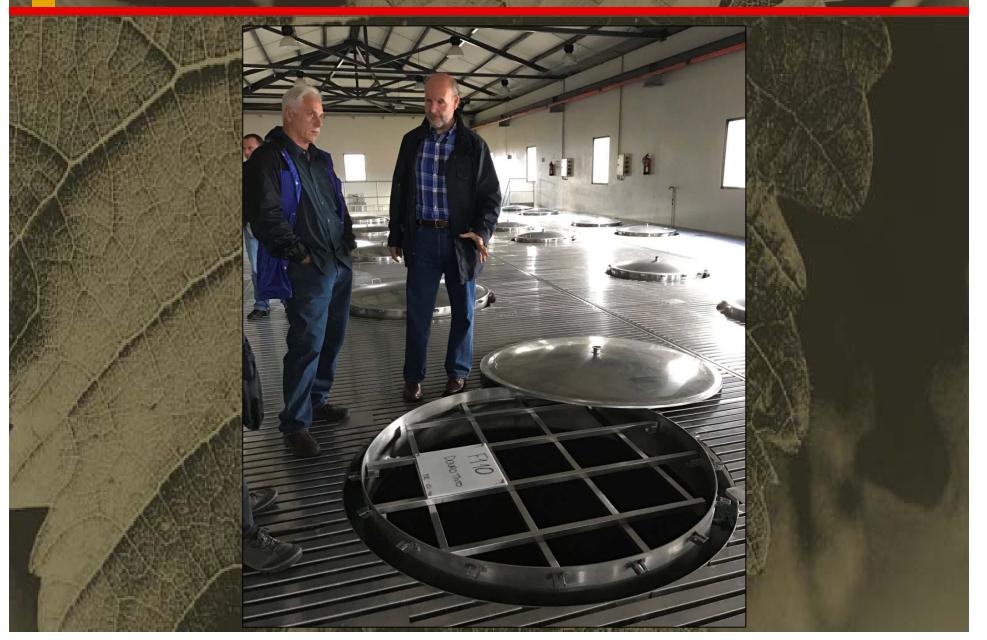


Great Wine Capitals Global Network ...a World of Excellence Sandeman – Douro Vineyards





Sandeman – tank storage





Sandeman





Reception





Reception





Gala Dinner Evening





Gala Dinner Evening



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2017 International Best Of Jury & Awards Ceremony / Gala dinner









Napa Winners





Napa Winners

Architecture and Landscape

Trefethen Family Vineyards (Global Winner - Napa Valley)

Accommodations

Poetry Inn (Napa Valley)

Art and Culture

Auberge du Soleil (Napa Valley)

Innovative Wine Tourism Experience

Conn Creek Winery (Napa Valley)

Sustainable Wine Tourism Practices

Phifer Pavitt Winery (Napa Valley)

Wine Tourism Service

Napa Valley Balloons Inc. (Napa Valley)



2017 REGIONAL BEST OF WINE TOURISM AWARD WINNERS

The Regional Wine Tourism Award of Merit – has been awarded to four businesses as an honorable mention recognizing a high level of commitment to wine tourism:

Accommodation

Milliken Creek Inn & Spa (Napa Valley)

Architecture and Landscape
Trinchero Napa Valley (Napa Valley)

Innovative Wine Tourism Experience Charbay Winery & Distillery (Napa Valley)

Wine Tourism Restaurant
Bounty Hunter Wine Bar & Smokin' BBQ (Napa Valley)



Napa Winners





San Francisco-Napa Delegation



