

SCHMITT SOHNE - OKTOBERFEST SWEEPSTAKES

OFFICIAL RULES

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER OR WIN. A PURCHASE DOES NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING. NO ALCOHOL IS INCLUDED IN THE PRIZE(S). This Sweepstakes is sponsored by Schmitt Sohne USA, 12001 S. Highway 99, Manteca, CA 95336 (the "Sponsor").

- 1. ELIGIBILITY.** Sweepstakes participation is open only to legal residents of the United States and District of Columbia, who are 21 years of age or older at time of entry. Sweepstakes is void in U.S. Military installations in foreign countries, all other U.S. territories and possessions, and where restricted or prohibited by law, or where Sponsor is unable to obtain regulatory approvals. The Schmitt Sohne Oktoberfest Sweepstakes ("Sweepstakes") begins 12:00AM Pacific Time ("PT") on September 1, 2023 and ends 11:59:59PM PT on October 31, 2023 ("Entry Period"). All entries must be received by 11:59:59PM PT on October 31, 2023. Entries may sometimes herein be referred to as an "Entry" or "Entries". All Entries become the property of Sponsor and will not be acknowledged or returned.

The following individuals are not eligible: employees, contractors, members, directors, and managers of Sponsor and each of its respective parent, affiliates, subsidiaries and web-design, advertising and promotion agencies, fulfillment, judging or other agency involved in the administration, development, fulfillment and execution of this Sweepstakes (collectively, "Parties"), and the immediate family members (parent, spouse, sibling, child, and their respective spouses or "step" of each, all lineal descendants, including those by adoption, regardless of where they reside) and those living in their same households whether or not related. Licensed distributors or retailers of alcoholic beverages, and their employees, are not eligible. Any individuals (including but not limited to employees, consultants, independent contractors, and interns) who, within the past six (6) months, performed services for Sponsor, agency or any organizations responsible for sponsoring, fulfilling, administering, advertising or promoting the Sweepstakes or supplying the prize, and/or their respective parent, affiliates, subsidiaries, and successor companies, and immediate family and household members of such individuals, are not eligible to enter or win. "Immediate family members" shall mean parents, stepparents, children, stepchildren, siblings, stepsiblings, or spouses. "Household members" shall mean people who share the same residence at least three months a year.

This Sweepstakes is in no way sponsored, endorsed, administered by, or associated with the social media platforms where content may be posted or shared (e.g., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, etc., collectively "Social Media Platforms").

By participating, entrants release Social Media Platforms of any and all responsibility related to the Sweepstakes.

- 2. TO ENTER.**

QR CODE ENTRY

Enter using your mobile device camera function to scan the QR code found on point-of-sale Sweepstakes advertising materials. You (sometimes referred to herein as an Entrant) will be directly linked from the QR code to [SchmittSohneOktoberfestSweeps.com](https://www.SchmittSohneOktoberfestSweeps.com) which contains the official entry form to register and submit an Entry including your birth date, state, full name, telephone number, and email address. Entrants must confirm they are 21 years of age or older. Entrants must complete all fields in the online entry form or Entry will not be accepted. Except as otherwise provided in these Official Rules, limit one Entry per person or email address per day during the Entry Period. Entrants must have a mobile phone with camera and web browsing capabilities, as may be applicable, to enter and may incur a data charge from their wireless service provider for entering. Check with your wireless service provider for details on these and other applicable charges. Entrants are solely responsible for any such wireless charges. Not all wireless carriers participate. Entrants understand

the Entry is considered an electronic signature agreeing to the Sweepstakes terms and giving consent to receive automated messages from Sponsor regarding the Sweepstakes.

ONLINE

Alternatively, you may register and enter online by visiting SchmittSohneOktoberfestSweeps.com and submitting the official entry form including your birth date, state, full name, telephone number, and email address. Entrants must confirm they are 21 years of age or older. Entrants must complete all fields in the online entry form or Entry will not be accepted. Except as otherwise provided in these Official Rules, limit one Entry per person or email address per day during the Entry Period. If you do not have a computer or other device to access the Internet, many public libraries offer free access to computers and the Internet.

Entrants agree to comply with these Official Rules. The Sweepstakes and all content thereof is intended only for those who are of legal drinking age or older. Entrants should not share content with those who do not meet legal drinking age requirements. Entries become the property of Sponsor and will not be returned or acknowledged except as may be provided herein.

By submitting an Entry, Entrants irrevocably grant Sponsor and its affiliates, legal representatives, assigns, agents and licensees, the unconditional and perpetual right and permission to reproduce, encode, store, copy, transmit, publish, post, broadcast, display, publicly perform, adapt, exhibit and/or otherwise use or reuse (without limitation as to when or to the number of times used), the Entry, including but not limited to, the right to use Entrant's name and picture/photo ("Likeness"), and/or statements regarding his/her participation in this Sweepstakes (with or without using the Entrant's name) in any and all media without limitation as to time or territory, and without additional compensation or approval from the Entrant or any other party. Entrants expressly waive any intellectual property rights, privacy/publicity rights or other legal or moral rights that might preclude the Sponsor's use of the Entry and agree not to sue or assert any claim against the Sponsor for the use of the Entry or Entrant's Likeness or statements.

By participating in the Sweepstakes, Entrants agree that Sponsor shall have the right to use all personal information provided to Sponsor in accordance with the privacy policy found at <https://schmittfamilywines.com/privacy-policy/>. At the time of Entry, Entrants might be given the opportunity to opt-in to receive further communications from Sponsor. Entrants are not required to opt-in and opting in will not improve your odds of winning.

- 3. GENERAL CONDITIONS.** By participating, Entrants accept and agree to be bound by these Official Rules and the decisions of Sponsor, which shall be final and binding in all respects.

Entrants agree to indemnify and hold Sponsor, its agencies and Parties and their respective affiliates, members, directors, managers, officers, agents, co-branders or other partners, and any of their employees (collectively, the "Indemnitees"), harmless from any and all claims, damages, expenses, costs (including reasonable attorneys' fees) and liabilities (including settlements), brought or asserted by any third party against any of the Indemnitees due to or arising out of the Entrant's Entry, or the Entrant's conduct in creating an Entry or otherwise in connection with this Sweepstakes, including but not limited to claims for trademark infringement, copyright infringement; violation of an individual's right of publicity or right of privacy; or defamation. Entrants further agree to forever release and discharge Sponsor from any and all claims that any advertising subsequently produced, presented, and/or prepared by or on behalf of Sponsor infringes Entrant's rights with regard to any elements, characters or ideas contained in any Entry.

If for any reason the Sweepstakes cannot run as planned, including infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failure or other causes which corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of the Sweepstakes, Sponsor reserves the right at its sole discretion, to cancel, terminate, modify and/or suspend the Sweepstakes and to disqualify any individual who tampers with the entry process, violates these Official Rules, or acts in a

disruptive manner. Any attempt by an Entrant to deliberately damage any website involved in the Sweepstakes or to undermine the legitimate operation of the Sweepstakes may be in violation of criminal and/or civil laws and should such an attempt be made, the Sponsor reserves the right to seek remedies and damages, including attorneys' fees, from any such Entrant to the fullest extent of the law, including criminal prosecution. No responsibility is assumed by Sponsor for any error, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operation or transmission, communications line failure, theft or destruction or unauthorized access to or alteration of Entries or any problems or technical malfunctions of any telephone network or lines, typographical or other errors, computer online systems, servers or providers, computer equipment, software, failure of any email or electronic Entry to be received on account of technical problems or traffic congestion on the Internet or on any website or any combination thereof, including any injury or damage to participant's or any other person's computer related to, or resulting from, participation in or downloading any materials from this Sweepstakes. Sponsor is not responsible for any typographical or other error in the printing of the offer, administration of the Sweepstakes, or in the announcement of the prizes. Sponsor reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual it determines to be tampering with the Entry mechanism, to be violating these Official Rules or to be acting in a disruptive manner.

Sweepstakes is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

- 4. PRIZES.** There will be a total of four (4) prizes offered in the Sweepstakes, with a total Approximate Retail Value ("ARV") of \$5,000 for all prizes. One (1) Grand Prize winner will receive a \$2,000 gift card, intended to be used toward an Oktoberfest trip. ARV for the Grand Prize is \$2,000. Three (3) first prize winners will each receive a \$1,000 gift card. Total ARV for all first prizes is \$3,000. Alcohol is not part of any prize. Winners must be 21 years of age or older.

No substitution or cash equivalent of prize(s) is permitted except at Sponsor's sole discretion. Winners are responsible for any and all federal, state and local taxes or assessments, as well as any forms as may be required by said taxing authorities (e.g., IRS Form W-9). Any person winning over \$600.00 in prizes will receive an IRS Form 1099 Miscellaneous from Sponsor for the calendar year in which any prize is awarded. Odds of winning depend on the number of eligible Entries received.

This Sweepstakes is in no way sponsored, endorsed, administered by, or associated with Visa, Mastercard or American Express.

- 5. WINNER SELECTION.** Potential winners will be selected in a random drawing from all eligible entries received on or around November 1, 2023. Winners will be drawn by an independent judging organization whose decision with respect to the selection of the winners and the interpretation of these rules and regulations will be final. Winners will be notified by telephone and/or email. Winners will have 48 hours from time of initial notification to respond. If a respective winner does not respond within the 48 hours or an email notification is undeliverable after up to three (3) attempts, a new winner may be selected. If after choosing three (3) potential winners for a prize, and one cannot be qualified as a winner, the Sponsor has the option to NOT award that prize. Winners may each be required to sign and return an Affidavit of Eligibility, Acceptance of Conditions, and Liability/Publicity Release or similar (where allowed by law) within three (3) calendar days. If potential winner does not return fully executed paperwork within three (3) calendar days, winner may be disqualified and an alternate winner may be selected. Personally identifiable information received will be used only to verify eligibility and award prizes.

In the event of dispute concerning the identity of an Entrant, the Entry will be deemed submitted by the natural person who is the authorized holder of the email account. Sponsor and its agencies are not responsible for notifications that are misdirected because of email addresses that are no longer correct, or for any other reason beyond the control of the Sponsor. Return of any prize notification as "undeliverable" will result in disqualification. If for any reason any prize is not claimed or a winner is disqualified, the prize will be forfeited, and an alternate winner may be selected from among all eligible Entries received during the Entry Period.

- 6. HOLD HARMLESS.** Sweepstakes is provided "as is". Winners and Entrants agree that Sponsor and the Parties shall not be responsible or liable for, and each winner and Entrant agrees to release and hold harmless Sponsor and the Parties from all losses, damages, or injuries of any kind to person, including personal injury or death, or property resulting from participating in the Sweepstakes or Sweepstakes-related activity, including, but not limited to, the acceptance/possession and/or use or misuse of any prize or any injury or damage to Entrant's or third person's property related to or resulting from any prize or any part of the Sweepstakes. By participating in the Sweepstakes, Entrants agree that Sponsor and the Parties will have no liability whatsoever for, and that Entrant shall hold Sponsor and the Parties harmless against, any liability for any claims based on publicity rights, defamation, or invasion of privacy as well as injuries, damages, or losses of any kind, whether or not foreseeable, including, without limitation, direct, indirect, incidental, consequential or punitive damages to persons or to property arising out of the prize awarded hereunder.

Without limiting the foregoing, everything regarding the Sweepstakes, including any websites used in connection therewith and any prize awarded hereunder, are provided "as is" without warranty of any kind, either express or implied, including, but not limited to, the implied warranties of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, or non-infringement, all of which are expressly disclaimed by Sponsor and the Parties.

- 7. LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY AND RELEASE.** No liability or responsibility is assumed by Sponsor or Parties resulting from any user's participation in or attempt to participate in the Sweepstakes or ability or inability to upload information in connection with participating in the Sweepstakes. No responsibility or liability is assumed by the Sponsor or Parties for technical problems or technical malfunction arising in connection with any of the following occurrences which may affect the operation of the Sweepstakes: hardware or software errors; faulty computer, telephone, cable, satellite, network, electronic, wireless or Internet connectivity or other online communication problems; errors or limitations of any Internet service providers, servers, hosts or providers; garbled, jumbled or faulty data transmissions; failure of any email transmissions to be sent or received; lost, late, delayed or intercepted email transmissions; inaccessibility of any website in whole or in part for any reason; traffic congestion on the Internet or any website; unauthorized human or non-human intervention of the operation of the Sweepstakes, including without limitation, unauthorized tampering, hacking, theft, virus, bugs, worms; or destruction of any aspect of the Sweepstakes, or loss, miscount, misdirection, inaccessibility or unavailability of an email account used in connection with the Sweepstakes. Sponsor and Parties are not responsible for any typographical errors in the announcement of prizes or these Official Rules, or any inaccurate or incorrect data contained on any website. Use of any website in connection with these Sweepstakes is at user's own risk. Sponsor and the Parties are not responsible for any personal injury or property damage or losses of any kind which may be sustained to user's or any other person's computer equipment resulting from participation in the Sweepstakes, use of any website or the download of any information from any website. By participating in the Sweepstakes, the Entrant forever releases and discharges Sponsor and Parties from any and all claims, damages or liabilities arising from or relating to such Entrant's participation in the Sweepstakes. By accepting a prize in the Sweepstakes, winners agree that the Sponsor and Parties shall not be liable for any loss or injury resulting from participation in the Sweepstakes, acceptance or use of any prize. Sponsor and Parties are not liable in the event that any portion of the Sweepstakes is cancelled due to weather, fire, strike, acts of war or terrorism, pandemic, or any other condition beyond their control (a "Force Majeure Event").

- 8. CHOICE OF LAW:** All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity, interpretation and enforceability of these Official Rules, or the rights and obligations of Entrant, Sponsor and the Indemnitees in connection with the Sweepstakes shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the substantive laws of the State of California, USA. All claims, judgments and awards on behalf of Entrant will be limited to lesser of actual out-of-pocket costs incurred or two hundred fifty dollars (\$250). Attorneys' fees will not be awarded or available to Entrant, even if Entrant proves to be a

prevailing party. ENTRANTS ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT THEY HEREBY WAIVE AND RELEASE ANY RIGHT TO BRING ANY DISPUTE AS A CLASS ACTION OR PARTICIPATE IN THE SAME.

- 9. RULES REQUESTS/NAMES OF WINNERS.** Full rules can be found online at SchmittSohneOktoberfestSweeps.com. Alternatively, to write in for a copy of the Official Rules, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Schmitt Sohne Oktoberfest Sweepstakes – Rules Request, c/o Garvin Promotion Group, 10220 S. 51st Street, Suite 2, Phoenix, AZ 85044 (return postage may be omitted where prohibited). Requests received after October 31, 2023, will not be honored. For a list of the winners, available after December 1, 2023, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Schmitt Sohne Oktoberfest Sweepstakes – Winners List Request, c/o Garvin Promotion Group, 10220 S. 51st Street, Suite 2, Phoenix, AZ 85044 (return postage may be omitted where prohibited). Requests received after January 1, 2024 will not be honored.
- 10. ADMINISTRATOR.** Sweepstakes administrator is Garvin Promotion Group, 10220 S. 51st Street, Suite 2, Phoenix, AZ 85044.