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**SELANNE STEAK TAVERN AWARDED “BEST OF AWARD OF EXCELLENCE”
FROM WINE SPECTATOR MAGAZINE FOR THIRD YEAR**

LAGUNA BEACH, Calif. (July 2, 2019) – [Sélanne Steak Tavern’s](#) wine list has again earned the second highest level of recognition – 2019 Best of Award of Excellence – from prestigious industry publication *Wine Spectator* magazine. Award winners will be featured in the August 31 *Wine Spectator* issue, which hits newsstands this month, and full award listings are found at Restaurants.Winespectator.com.

“We are once again very proud of our wine collection, which has been supervised and maintained by Certified Advanced Sommelier Vito Pasquale since we opened in 2013,” said Sélanne Steak Tavern owners Teemu Selanne and Kevin Pratt. They continued, “Vito and his team of wine experts provide our guests with the highest level of wine hospitality and always graciously guide diners to explore the wonderful world of wines that pair well with the chef’s menu and the particular occasion.”

According to *Wine Spectator*, “The Best of Award of Excellence, granted to 1,244 restaurants in 2019, honors wine programs that take their commitment a step further; it recognizes lists that display excellent breadth across multiple regions and/or significant vertical depth of top wines, along with superior presentation.” It is an award only garnered by restaurants that typically offer 350 or more selections and are destinations for serious wine lovers – places that have a deep commitment to wine, both in the cellar and through their service team.

Sélanne Steak Tavern, an upscale steak house and tavern housed in a chicly transformed historic 1934 home on Pacific Coast Highway, has received this award based on its impressive wine inventory of over 3,000 bottles with list strength in selections from California, Burgundy and other French regions, Italy and Germany. The list includes over 425 global selections, Old and New World from Washington, Oregon, Italy, New Zealand, Spain, Argentina, Germany, Austria, South Africa, Portugal, Canada and Australia. While it is heavily focused on California cult wines with many highly allocated, low production, big scoring selections, it is designed to appeal to all wine lovers.

About Sélanne Steak Tavern

Sélanne Steak Tavern, located at 1464 South Coast Highway in Laguna Beach, opened in November 2013 and is owned by Hockey Hall of Famer Teemu Selanne and local Orange

County businessman Kevin Pratt. Housed in a reimagined 1934 historic home along the Pacific Coast, it's an upscale contemporary steak house with an upstairs dining room, downstairs tavern and bar area, a wine room for more intimate dining and two patios for alfresco dining. The restaurant supports local farms and fisheries that practice sustainability and humane practices. Menus feature the finest of steaks and seafood served with a variety of accompaniments enhanced by herbs from the restaurant's herb garden. Along with its carefully selected California-focused wine list, craft signature cocktails are created from quality farmers' market produce, homemade mixers and top-notch shelf spirits. Selanne Steak Tavern is open for dinner nightly starting at 5 p.m. For reservations and more information, call 949-715-9881 or visit www.selannesteaktavern.com.

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Wine Spectator and www.winespectator.com reach over three million affluent and influential readers and visitors with each issue. In addition to a wide assortment of features on quality wines and spirits, subscribers enjoy articles on fine dining, travel and entertainment. The readership includes business leaders, trendsetters, epicureans, connoisseurs and key trade buyers in the industry.

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