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Wine Spectator Names Facci Ristorante Among List of 2025 Best Restaurants

Recognition is the latest of recent prominent accolades for the growing restaurant brand.

Baltimore, MD — Facci Ristorante has been recognized for its exceptional wine program on Wine Spectator magazine's just-released list of the [Best Restaurants of 2025](#). Facci, a ristorante, wood fire pizza, and wine bar concept with three Maryland locations in Baltimore, Turf Valley, and Maple Lawn, is known for an experience that combines upscale Italian cuisine with casual fun in attracting a range of customers—from foodies, to casual diners, to happy hour and live music-seekers. The extensive and highly curated wine program is a big part of that offering at each location.

"If cuisine is at the heart of Italian culture, then wine is at its soul. The two are inextricably part of providing an exquisite experience and great passion goes into importing the diverse and extensive selection of wines to be explored at Facci. To be recognized for this by Wine Spectator is a tremendous honor," said owner Gino Palma. "When I created the first Facci 15 years ago, I wanted to create a place where everyone feels welcome and can enjoy delicious food, an interesting cocktail, or explore a range of exceptional but affordable wines in a relaxed but beautiful environment. You don't need white tablecloths and a fancy dress code to have an outstanding dining experience."

This is not the first prominent recognition this year for Facci. In April, Palma was invited to the Italian embassy in Washington, D.C. where Facci was the very first Maryland restaurant to be honored with a coveted "Due Forchette" (Two Forks) status from [Gambero Rosso](#) on its 2025 list of Best Italian Restaurants (previously only one Maryland restaurant has earned a single fork honor). The Italian-based international publication's status program is similar to the Michelin Star, in this case focusing particularly on restaurants with superior wine programs.

Beginning in July, Facci is launching an [Italian Summer](#) concept at all locations with a curated menu of featured food and wine from a different Italian region every two weeks. This culinary tour and Facci's extensive wine collection will allow customers to explore a range of regions and the grape varieties they are known for, including Sicily, Puglia, Campania, Lazio, Tuscany, and Abruzzo...no passport required.

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Facci Ristorante, with three vibrant locations in Baltimore, Turf Valley, and Maple Lawn, is owner Gino Palma's modern love letter to both his roots in coastal Italy and his beloved home in America—bringing a new, exciting energy to authentic Italian cuisine. Facci restaurants feature hand made pasta stations, wood fire pizza ovens, an extensive wine collection, and an array of Italian specialties from the land and sea.

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