

Two more wineries planned for Waterfront Vancouver

Valo Cellars, Massalto Wines to move into Rediviva ground floor

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Heidi Griggs, manager of the joint Pepper Bridge Winery and Amavi Cellars tasting room, pours a glass in November at the tasting room on the ground floor of the Rediviva building. Two more wineries are set to join the lineup at The Waterfront.

Two more wineries are heading to The Waterfront Vancouver, bringing the grand total to nine wineries with a current or planned presence at the development.

Valo Cellars and Massalto Wines plan to open a joint tasting room in one of the ground floor retail spaces at the Rediviva apartment building, according to a Tuesday press release from Waterfront lead developer Gramor Development.

Both wineries are co-owned by chef Michael Ruhland and winemaker Matias Kusulas. They primarily source their grapes from Lawrence Vineyards and Conner Lee Vineyards near Othello, according to the press release.

The Valo and Massalto tasting room is the seventh wine-focused retail space to be announced at the Waterfront, representing a total of nine wineries. It will also be the fourth winery location inside the Rediviva.

Goldendale-based Maryhill Winery was the first to open a wine venue at the Waterfront, debuting its satellite tasting room in the Don building next to Grant Street Pier in April 2019. Next came Pepper Bridge Winery and Amavi Cellars from Walla Walla with a joint tasting room that opened in November in the Rediviva building. They were followed by Airfield Estates, based in Yakima Valley, which debuted its tasting room in March in the RiverWest Building.

Woodinville-based Brian Carter Cellars joined the blend of tasting rooms, opening a location in the southeast corner of the Rediviva, and Hood River-based Naked Winery is slated to open a wine bar in the future Kirkland Tower once the building finishes construction.

Most recently, Richland-based Barnard Griffin Winery announced in March that it would open a tasting room at the Rediviva, slated to debut in the fall.

Valo and Massalto's location was the last available storefront on the ground floor of the Rediviva, and the news solidifies the building's place at the forefront of the rapidly growing Waterfront wine scene, with tasting rooms in four of its five retail spaces (the final space is held by the Stack 571 Burger & Whiskey Bar).

Three other businesses have also recently joined the Waterfront lineup, according to the Gramor press release. Refresh Therapy opened in March in the Murdock office building, offering counseling and therapy for adults, couples, families, teenagers and children. Directors Mortgage opened a branch in the Murdock to provide local service for homebuyers in and around Clark County. Finally, a retailer called Picnic opened in one of the ground floor retail spaces at the RiverWest apartment building.

The store specializes in sundresses, picnic supplies and other "summer essentials," according to Gramor, and also offers equipment rentals for games like croquet and cornhole, aimed at families and groups spending their afternoons at the waterfront.

"We're incredibly proud that The Waterfront continues to grow and sign on new businesses," Gramor president Barry Cain said in a statement. "That each of these new tenants have decided to open in Vancouver says a lot about the growth and development of this region and the opportunity that it presents for businesses both big and small."