



BERRY BROS & RUDD

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WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS

Berry Bros. & Rudd relaunches literary lunch series

Tuesday 22nd August 2017: Berry Bros. & Rudd is delighted to announce the continuation of its literary lunch series.

Following the success of last year's events with author of the popular 'No 1 Ladies' Detective Agency' series, Alexander McCall Smith, political Journalist and Editor Iain Martin and British historian and author Andrew Roberts, Berry Bros. & Rudd will continue to bring the magic of wine and literature to life in series of gastronomic experiences.

This year brings a new series of lunches with crime writer Ian Rankin and food writer and Master Chef Critic, William Sitwell and following the success of his event last year, Iain Martin, author of the award-winning 'Making it Happen: Fred Goodwin, RBS and the men who blew up the British Economy', will return to St James's in October.

Hosted by wine expert Will Lyons, he joins food writer and Master Chef Critic Will Sitwell for two events in October. The lunch (Friday 6th October) and dinner (Friday 13th October) events titled 'A Culinary Adventure Through Time' will feature dishes from history - from the ancient Mesopotamia and Elizabethan England, to 20th century wartime and the global London restaurant scene of the 2000's. The menu will be expertly crafted by Berry Bros. & Rudd Head Chef Stewart Turner and will showcase the tastiest dishes from the past and present. Stories from his *A History of Food in 100 Recipes* and tales from his latest tome *Eggs or Anarchy* will also be discussed.

Ian Rankin, the UK's biggest-selling crime writer, will welcome guests on Friday 17th November for an afternoon of fine wine, epicurean gastronomy and tales of Edinburgh's underbelly. Rankin, whose fictional police detective, John Rebus, has garnered millions of followers across the globe, developed his love of French wines during his time living in France.

Berry Bros. & Rudd will also be offering customers the chance to delve into American history with 'The Life and Wines of Thomas Jefferson' on Friday 10th November and 'Hemingway and Cocktails' on Monday 16th October. A series of five 'Lunch and Learns' have been added to the Company's latest event calendar. For further information on these and other events at Berry Bros. & Rudd, visit <http://www.bbr.com/Categories/Events/c/events>

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About Berry Bros. & Rudd:

Founded in 1698, Berry Bros. & Rudd is Britain's original, family-owned wine and spirits merchant. With two Royal Warrants, more than 300 years of history and seven Masters of Wine, we are proud of our world-class reputation for exceptional wines and spirits.

Although hundreds of years old, Berry Bros. & Rudd remains at the forefront of wine innovation. The current range of more than 4,000 wines is sourced from over 25 countries, from the traditional – France, Italy and Spain – to the less traditional – Brazil and Moldova.

Not just a fine wine retailer, spirits have long been central to the business. Alongside award-winning Speyside single malt whisky, The Glenrothes, the spirits portfolio includes the classic No.3 London Dry Gin, Mauritian rum Penny Blue and the unique and historic The King's Ginger Liqueur.

While we embrace progress, we also value our traditions. As a business, we are comfortable embracing these paradoxes – having always managed to combine our history and heritage with a commitment to constant progress, innovation and change.

Throughout the developments, the business has seen over the years, customers have always remained at the heart of Berry Bros. & Rudd. Whether visiting us in store, shopping online or participating in our Wine Club, Cellar Plan, tutored tastings or Wine School, we aim to ensure that every customer receives the same outstanding experience.