



Black Music (& Spirits) Month | Updates & Local Spots | Destination: Greece

 **JUNE 21ST SIP & EXPLORE
DAY TRIP** to Muse Vineyards
in Woodstock, VA has been
canceled.

- ☀️ **SUMMER QUARTER** begins on July 1. Events will include July 19 Meet-up, Aug. 16 Tasting Mtg, and Sept. 20 Winery Trip. **Sign up now!** CashApp or Zelle your \$25 Membership Dues.

 BOYD CRU WINES Located in Savage, MD, popular local, Black-owned Boyd Cru just opened a new Tasting Room. Check them out!

-  **WHISKEY ON THE WATERFRONT** Sagamore's popular Baltimore event is back! Whiskey, Music, Food Trucks, and Fun! Free to the public from 12-6pm, the 3rd Saturday of the month from now until October. 

Feeling Good Libations!

LOIRE VALLEY WINES (FRANCE)



Raise a Glass

June is Black Music Month! So while you're grooving to new and classic tunes by renowned Black artists, check out these wine and spirit labels and partnerships as well!

Snoop Dog - Indoggo Strawberry Gin; 19 Crimes Wine

~ Peace, Love, and Sooooouuuuuulllll! 🍷



Cocktail of the Month

GROWN FOLK MIMOSA BY UNCLE NEAREST

The Juneteenth holiday commemorates the day when federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas on June 19, 1865 (2 1/2 years after President Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation) and informed enslaved people in the state of their freedom.

We celebrate to recognize the resilience and perseverance of African American people through adversity and the fight for racial equality. This month our cocktail choice honors the legacy of Master Distiller Nearest Green.

- ◆ 1/2 oz Uncle Nearest 1884 Small Batch Whiskey
- ◆ 1/2 oz Triple Sec (or Cointreau)
- ◆ 2 oz fresh orange juice
- ◆ 1 1/2 oz sparkling wine

Chill all ingredients in advance.

Pour the whiskey, triple sec, and orange juice into a chilled flute and stir. Then top off with sparkling wine, and stir one more time, gently to avoid flattening the bubbles. Enjoy!

Source: <https://elitetraveler.com/finest-dining/grown-folk-mimosa-by-uncle-nearest>

Vaya Con Gusto

June is my birth month. And I decided to celebrate my 40th and 50th birthdays by traveling - one of my absolute favorite pastimes!!! For each of those milestone birthdays, I traveled to Greece - which is easily one of my favorite travel destinations!

In 2012, Prima and I celebrated our 40th year with a Mediterranean cruise on Royal Caribbean. We flew into Barcelona, then sailed to Marseilles, Nice, Rome, Capri, Pisa, Tuscany, Venice, Athens, Mykonos, and more! It was an 11-day adventure and I loved every bit of it! So much so that I planned a repeat of sorts for my next milestone birthday.

In 2022, my husband I celebrated my 50th year with a trip to England and Greece. We flew into Athens, and spent a few days exploring the city. It was HOT! But the views at the Acropolis and fascinating history, as well as the delicious Greek food were well worth it! We flew to Santorini from Athens, and it was BEAUTIFUL! I didn't make it to Santorini back in 2012, and I've been wanting to go since I was in college. It did NOT disappoint! The views of the caldera and Aegean Sea were breathtaking! The highlights were a sunset catamaran cruise and a wine-tasting tour!

Greece will definitely see me again! 🍷



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