



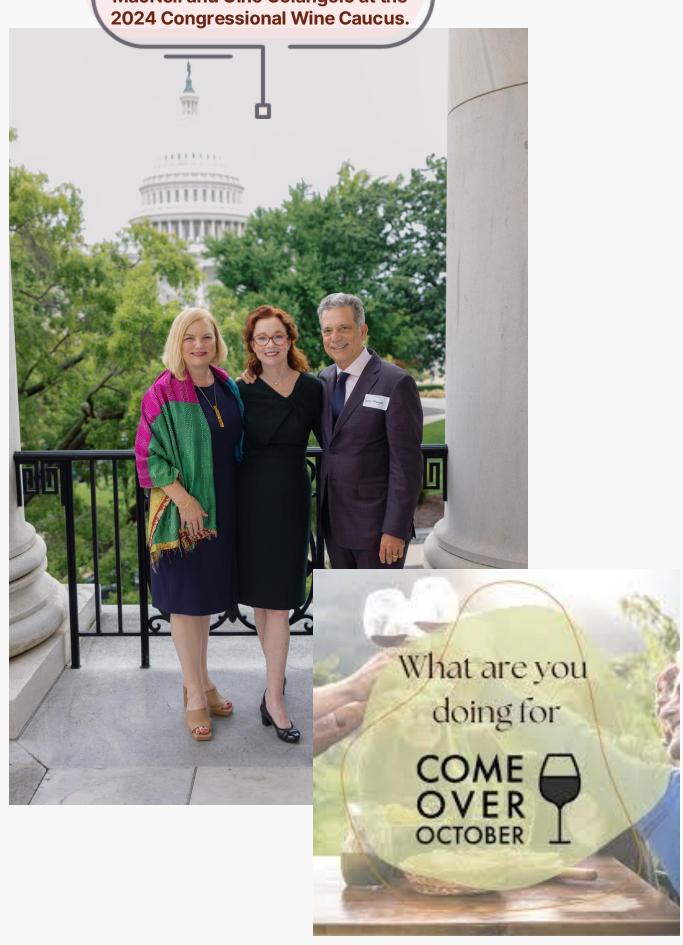


Gather, Share & Celebrate

Activating Ideas for Come Over October and Share & Pair Sundays

INTENDED FOR TRADE

Founders Kimberly Charles, Karen MacNeil and Gino Colangelo at the 2024 Congressional Wine Caucus.



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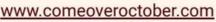






IN STORE TRAFFIC: 10M+ People SOCIAL MEDIA: 4.6M Followers

ADVERTISING: 3M Impressions

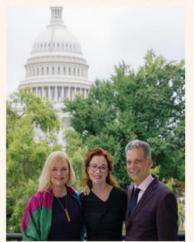












Overview

This guide offers simple, creative ways to bring Come Over October and Share & Pair Sundays to life across wineries, retailers, influencers, and trade groups. From eye-catching displays and strategic pricing to engaging social content and regional events, activation is easy and impactful. Whether through storytelling, promotions, or partnerships, this compendium provides clear, flexible strategies to make the campaign a success—no matter the platform or scale.

Jackson Family Wines

Overview: Jackson Family Wines, a Founding Patron of COO, encouraged people to gather and celebrate wine's cultural benefits through promotions and digital marketing.

Objectives: Showcase JFW's leadership in COO to wine trade media, drive tasting room traffic, expand consumer reach, boost social media buzz, and highlight "Free like it used to be" – Barbara Banke.

The Program: ran from October 1-31

- 1-Day Activations + Monthly Ongoing Offers: Kendall-Jackson, La Crema, Freemark Abbey
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\$78,251.49 in wine sales



2 of 3 sold out events



65 wine club sign-ups



26 influencer partnerships



1,116 appointments



1,753 landing page website visits



2,935 customer estate visits



Over 3M impressions across radio and digital promotions

Feedback

"Many consumers mentioned they heard about our COO offerings on the radio and social."

"Beautiful place, tasty wines, nice experience!"

"It was a great experience. Hosts were very friendly and enjoyed the garden and grounds."

Key Takeaways

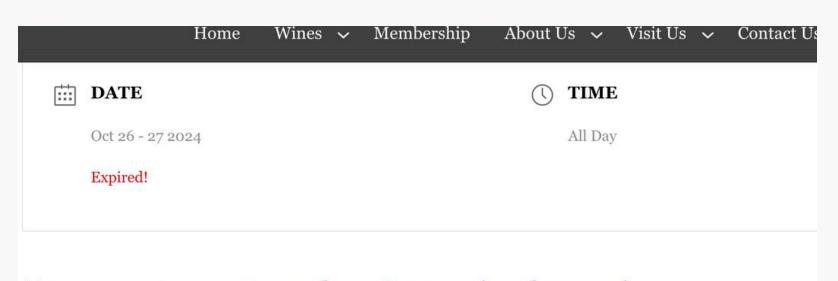
- Events and tastings attracted a new local audience.
- Retargeting this audience will drive future revenue opportunities.
- Radio & digital media boosted awareness with key local communities.





NYSA Vineyard (Dundee Hills, OR)

"To celebrate, we are offering special vertical packages on our website and will be hosting our "Library Weekend" at the winery October 26th and 27th."



"Come Over October" Vertical Tasting

You are invited to "Come Over" to the winery the last weekend in October as we offer a special flight that will include a vertical tasting of our "gracefully-aged" Pinot Noirs from the 2005 vintage to 2007. These wines are absolutely beautiful right now and this is a rare opportunity to taste these wines side-by-side. Wow, what a treat!

Make your reservation here

Gary Farrell (Healdsburg, CA)

This Sonoma County winery took to social media to remind people to connect and gather even beyond October, encouraging followers to tag someone with whom they want to enjoy a glass of wine.







Domaine Divio (Newberg, OR)

This Oregon winery ideated three ways to participate: 2 for 1 tastings for non-club members, 30% off select large formats and a social media giveaway encouraging followers to gather and share with the #comeoveroctober hashtag.



Naidu Wines (Sonoma, CA)

This Indian-owned winery creatively blended Diwali and COO celebrations with a paneer and wine pairing event.







Eleven Eleven Wines (Napa, CA)

For guests who couldn't visit the tasting room, this winery offered a Come Over October inspired gift pack, including three wines, a selection of dark chocolates and a branded wine key.





Famici Wine Cellars (Caldwell, ID)

"We are connecting with our wine club members and friends to share their favorite recipes and pairings to make a Famici Cook book. We're asking for submissions now and we will set a pairing for each of the Sundays to promote on social media. We will have the recipe cards printed to give out in the tasting room."

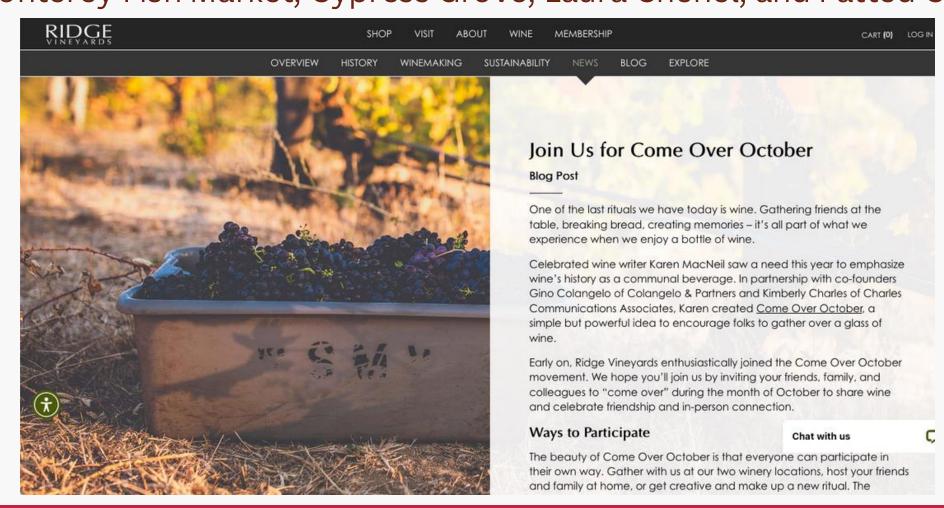


RIDGE Vineyards (Healdsburg, CA)

"Each year, we curate a Holiday Pairing Feast, featuring recipes that complement our wines. Our 2024 feast featured recipes and ingredients from local purveyors like the Monterey Fish Market, Cypress Grove, Laura Chenel, and Fatted Calf.

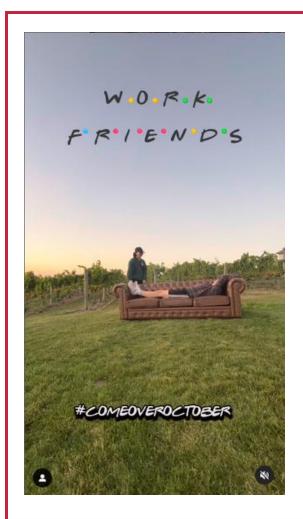
The theme was such a success that we're extending it into our Share & Pair Campaign. We'll reach out to restaurant partners across the nation, prioritizing diverse cuisines or recipes popular during seasonal celebrations/gatherings, to build our Food Pairing library, which can be filtered by wine, dish, and occasion."

In addition, RIDGE included printed COO collateral in their fall club shipment, posted extensively on their blog and hosted a social media giveaway.









Chateau Chantal (Travers City, MI)

This Michigan winery got creative with their social media, recreating the infamous opening credits of the TV show Friends in their vineyard. They used this reel to remind people to join them for their planned October events, including a harvest festival and weekly wine dinners.

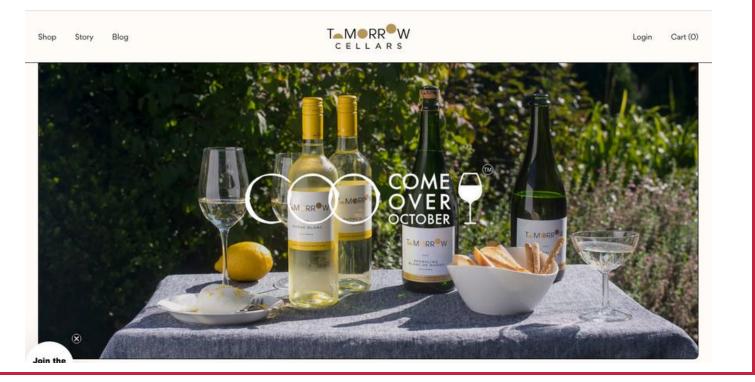


Whiny Baby (CA)

Whiny Baby, known for it's popularity with Gen Z consumers, amplified the campaign's message on social media with a reel depicting a casual apartment hangout amongst young friends.

Tomorrow Cellars (CA)

Highlighting the inclusivity of the COO campaign, Tomorrow Cellars (a non-alcoholic wine brand) prominently featured Come Over October in their October marketing. "With friendships and community firmly in the center of happiness we both prioritize gathering with friends and family around the table."







Local Wine Events

This free website, boasting over 260,000 subscribers, alerts members to wine, food, and drink events both online and in their local area. They partnered with COO to promote wine events nationwide throughout October.



Events & Festivals ♥ Wine Education ♥ Wine Trips Trade Only Help ♥









Do You Know About Come Over October?

Founded by renowned wine writer Karen MacNeil (The Wine Bible), along with public relations experts Gino Colangelo and Kimberly Noelle Charles (DipWSET), Come Over October is a new national campaign of events happening across the U.S. this October.

During the month, wine lovers are encouraged to invite friends, colleagues, neighbors, and family to "come over" and share some wine--at home, in a restaurant, at a winery, or wherever you like to gather.

Wine is the world's oldest communal beverage. Come Over October celebrates the positive role wine plays in bringing people together.

So get creative and launch a Come Over October event of your own. More information and ideas are at www.comeoveroctober.com and please follow us at @comeoveroctober.

FIND EVENTS NEAR YOU

SUBMIT YOUR EVENT





-Neeta Mittal

LXV Wine (Paso Robles, CA)



"At LXV, our club shipments include new wine releases, curated spice blends, recipes, and pairings that extend our tasting room experience into members' homes. We seamlessly integrated COO into our Fall shipment last year by creating a Friendsgiving menu around its contents, encouraging members to celebrate on the last Saturday of October."



FOR	OUR	FR	EN	DS
Date				

menu

Friendsgiving Turkey

Succulent turkey breast brined in LXV spices, roasted to golden

perfection with a crispy skin.

Umami Marrow Roast

Perfectly roasted bone marrow seasoned with a savory spice blend, d rizzled with olive oil, and served with crusty bread.

Golden Cauliflower Steaks

Tender cauliflower steaks roasted to perfection, infused with a rich spice blend, and garnished with grated Parmesan cheese.

Spicy Kimchi Bread Stuffing

A bold and flavorful bread stuffing with a spicy kick, featuring homemade kimchi and aromatic spices.

Flavors of Asia Fried Rice

Aromatic rice stir-fried with mixed vegetables and a special spice blend, topped with scrambled eggs and garnished with green onions.

LXV WINES

2023 Blanc De Franc | 2022 Secret 2022 Tempo | 2022 Reserve Cab Sauv

#ComeOverOctober | #FriendsgivingWithLXV

CEO, LXV Wine

WHAT WORKED



Cohesive story that wove COO messaging into the LXV shipment experience.



Provided a **clear distinction** from previous shipments, addressed a challenge all wineries face.

UP NEXT: COO 2025



"Come Over October: Sip, Spice & Spark Diwali"

LXV will elevate COO by aligning it with Diwali—a festival rooted in gathering, gratitude, and indulgence. This connection provides a deeper emotional and cultural anchor, making the campaign more immersive, engaging, and shareable while naturally complementing themes of wine, spice, and celebration.

Influencers



Chelsea Davis (@cheycheyfromthebay)

Chelsea collaborated with La Crema Wines to share content from their fall festival and provided exclusive discount codes, all aimed at encouraging participation in COO.



Casleah Herwaldt (@casleah)

Casleah hosted a New Zealandinspired event in her home, inviting friends over to enjoy a selection of her favorite NZ wines and treats together.







Paige Comrie (@winewithpaige)

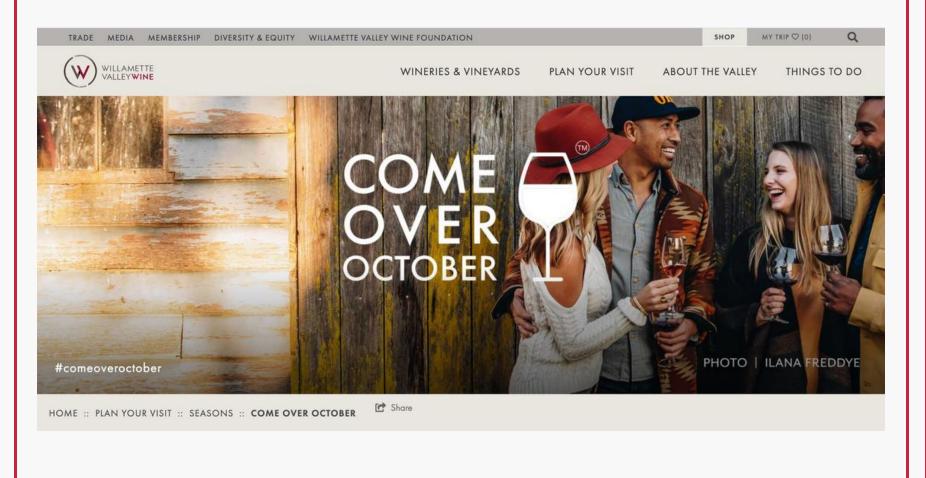
Paige partnered with Clif Family Wines to highlight their organic vineyards and certified B-Corp status, inviting followers to visit their family tasting room in October for curated wine and food pairings.





Williamette Valley Wine Association

This association promoted COO on their website, inspiring visitors with the mission of the campaign and listing events dedicated to this initiative on a digital calendar.



Wines of South Africa

"Ready to join? Invite friends and family, and let the spirit of togetherness flow. With wine or non-alcoholic options, immerse yourself in the moment, enjoying great company and the rich flavours of South African wine. Tag us and the @comeoveroctober account. Let's share your wine celebration with the world!"









Texas Wineries

Led by the Texas Department of Agriculture, the Uncork Texas Wines program unites major regional wine organizations to promote Texas Wine Month in October. By aligning their existing October Wine Month programs with the COO campaign, Texas wine trade groups successfully integrated their messaging while maintaining regional identity. This collaborative effort rebranded the initiative as "Come On Over Y'all," reinforcing its theme across the state. Key participants include Texas Agriculture, the Texas Wine & Grape Growers Association, Texas Wine Trail, Texas Hill Country Wineries and Texas Fine Wine.





TEXAS WINE INDUSTRY JOINS 'COME OVER OCTOBER'

"Come On Over Y'all" and Celebrate Texas Wine Month with Community, Conversation and Texas Wine

August 20, 2024 – Given Texas' reputation for warm, big-sized hospitality, the Texas wine industry says "Come On Over Y'all" and invites Texans to celebrate not only Texas Wine Month in October, but also join the global Come Over October campaign. With some 500 wineries across the state, the Texas wine industry encourages people to gather and share Texas wine with family and friends at home or visit their favorite Texas winery in October to have a toast and celebrate local wine, friendship and community.





Russian River Valley Winegrowers

This classic California wine region reminded followers to gather and enjoy both traditional varieties and trailblazing ones in honor of COO.





rrvwinegrowers There's no better time than October to visit the Russian River Valley. With harvest wrapping up, fall invites you to connect with the people behind the wines, take in stunning vineyard views, and experience the region at its most inviting.

Invite your friends and family to taste our celebrated Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, alongside unique varietals that explore new horizons in California winemaking.

Make this fall unforgettable in the heart of Sonoma County wine country! *

#comeoveroctober #russianrivervalley #sonomacountywine #sonomacounty #rrvwinegrowers

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Chianti Classico This signature Italian wine region cobranded their centennial celebration with COO assets, sharing the campaign's message across social media.





Wine America

In collaboration with the Congressional Wine Caucus, Wine America leveraged programming with regional wine groups nationwide to amplify COO's impact, culminating in a high-profile national press conference in Washington, DC. The event concluded with a grand tasting showcase of exceptional wines from all 50 states, celebrating the diversity and craftsmanship of American winemaking.













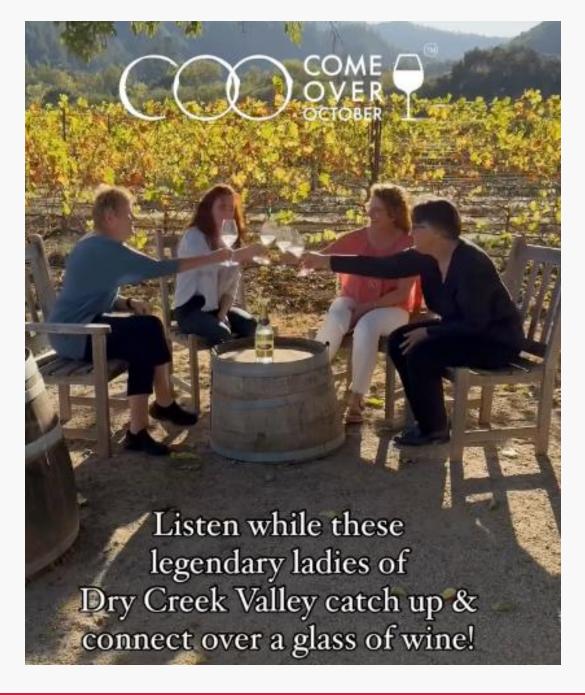
Washington Wine

This trade group posted on social media with messaging that was simple and accessible: gather for pizza and wine.



Winegrowers of Dry Creek Valley

This Sonoma County trade organization gathered female icons to connect and share stories over a glass of wine.



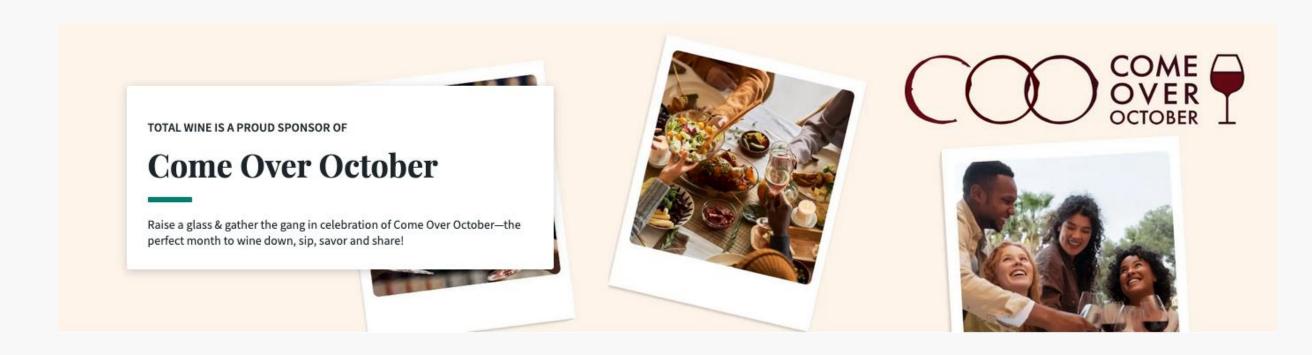
Retailers





Total Wines & More

Total Wine demonstrated its commitment to to our positive message by providing Benefactor-level support for the Come Over October campaign in over 270 stores nationwide. This partnership played a crucial role in amplifying diverse voices within the wine world and was on display both in-store and online. Customers were able to explore a selection of Come Over October wines at their local Total Wine, where these offerings are featured both on shelves and in aisles.





Retailers











Constellation Brands, a patron sponsor, launched a highly effective Come Over October campaign to drive sales at Kroger supermarkets. According to John Beese, Director of Strategic Accounts at Constellation, the 600 participating stores significantly outperformed those that did not take part. The campaign achieved over 80% execution levels on featured items and strategically aligned with key seasonal occasions, including fall gatherings, Halloween, and the lead-up to winter holidays. Constellation's pricing initiatives helped counter price increases from the previous year, ensuring competitiveness. Additionally, participating brands benefited from in-store media support, including radio segments featuring Karen MacNeil and other targeted marketing tactics, further amplifying the campaign's success.

Promoted Items - Total Kroger	Change	Promoted Items - COO Stores Only	Change	Variance
Kim Crawford Sauvignon Blanc 750 ml	13.40%	Kim Crawford Sauvignon Blanc 750 ml	18.90%	+5.50%
Meiomi Pinot Noir 750 ml	-1.77%	Meiomi Pinot Noir 750 ml	4.50%	+6.27%
The Prisoner Red Blend 750 ml	-3.42%	The Prisoner Red Blend 750 ml	7.30%	+10.72%

Retailers





Benchmark Wine Group

"I'm excited to share some highlights from our "Come Over October" campaign, which delivered exceptional engagement and generated over \$11K in sales across four campaigns. Our open and click-through rates surpassed expectations, averaging over 34%, reflecting the strength of our efforts and the impact of our branding collaboration with Karen MacNeil. This success underscores the effectiveness of our strategy and the synergy between our teams. Thank you for your continued support—we look forward to making Share & Pair Sundays just as compelling as Come Over October."

- Jen Saxby Senior Sales & Marketing Manager



Resource Page





More Info onTexas Wines'
"Come On Over Y'All"
Campaign

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Ways to Participate in Come
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