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AIDA Bistro & Wine Bar in Columbia, Maryland named one of the TOP 100 Most Notable Wine List Restaurants in the US during 2013 by OpenTable.

Receives Local Recognition as Best Wine Tasting in Howard County and Honorable Mention in 12 other categories.

Columbia, Maryland, November 7, 2013: For the second year in a row, AIDA Bistro & Wine Bar has received national recognition.

"It is always a great honor to be recognized both locally and nationally as achieving excellence in our wine program", says Mary Barbera, co-owner. "I know that our staff works very hard to provide our customers with the best possible wine & food experience. We love to give our guests tours of our Wine Room and afterwards they have an ever better appreciation of our wine program." Continued, Barbera. "Everyone is involved in our wine & food program including our Chefs who know the wines and take an active role pairing them with our food."

"Our OpenTable customers have again voted our wine program as one of the best in the US. Whenever we receive national recognition, it reflects well on our entire staff and all of our winery partners", said Joe Barbera, co-owner. "Wine is Food and that philosophy is one that we take very seriously."

AIDA Bistro & Wine Bar was also recognized in November 2013 by the readers of "Howard Magazine" as having the **Best Wine Tasting in Howard County in 2013**. This recognition is in addition to twelve other honorable mentions including: Alfresco, Ambiance, Chef, Dessert, Fine Dining, Italian, Lunch Menu, Place to Take Out-of-Towners, Restaurant (overall), Service, Seafood, Tapas/Small Plate & Wine List.

AIDA Bistro & Wine Bar received more awards than any other restaurant in Howard County!

"Everyone in the restaurant works very hard each day to provide our guests with a memorable food & wine experience", says Joe Barbera. "We are so honored to receive recognition from our community in thirteen different categories. This tells us that in every aspect of business, we are offering our guests an overall great experience. Great people make great things happen, and we are blessed to have such a great team at AIDA Bistro!"

With 30 wines on tap, AIDA Bistro & Wine Bar has the largest Wine on Tap System in Maryland and one of the largest in the United States. If you're a wine drinker, you have to stop in and taste the difference. Our menu features classic Italian favorites as well as an eclectic mix of non-traditional entrees and small plates from a variety of culinary and cultural backgrounds. We are open for both lunch and dinner. www.aidabistro.com

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