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This Valentine's Day, eschew the romantic table for two and invite everyone over for a wine tasting. Club Wino sommelier Jacob Harkins ensures you'll make a lasting impression.

CHOOSE A THEME...

Such as wines from Colorado, \$15 bottles, a particular varietal, or wines from a certain region. Ask each guest to bring a bottle. Plan on setting the mood with bubbly—it cleanses the palate and helps folks unwind.

DETERMINE YOUR APPROACH...

Blind tasting or free-flowing, and create a guest list. Learn about the grapes and regions beforehand to educate your guests and ensure a natural flow of conversation. Provide pens and paper for those who want to take notes.

PLAN A MENU...

Light hors d'oeuvres, full dinner, even a potluck-depending on the party's theme and time frame.

For the full experience, include dessert and an accompanying wine or port.

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