

Water Sommelier Profile

- Water Sommelier in Water Bar, Shinsegae Department Store, Gangnam, Seoul (2014)
- The Winner of Korea Water Sommelier Championship 2014 (2014)
- Sommeliertimes Water Columnist (2016 ~)
- The judge of Korea Bottled Water Award (2016 ~)
- Sommelier TV Director (2017 ~)



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- The First Water Cafe
 - Mondrian No Trans Water Cafe in 2007 (Seonreung, Gangnam, Seoul)
 - It sold Evian, Volvic, Perrier, Apollinaris, Hydroxydase, Nordenau, etc. including Korean Premium Waters





- The First Water Sommelier
- Jehoon Lee (Grand Walkerhill Hotel, Seoul)
- He served and managed waters in hotel restaurant for the first time

- History of Water Sommelier Certification
 - For increasing tap water drinking rate,
 K-Water which is Korea Water Resource
 Government Corporation got help from KISA
 (Korea International Sommelier Association) and made water sommelier education course in 2011
 - K-Water have been operating Water Sommelier Education Course from March 2011, twice in a year
 - KISA made Korea Water Sommelier Association in 2011
 - Korean Water Sommelier Championship began in 2011

2011 is very important year in Korea, Beginning of Water Sommelier

- History of Water Sommelier Certification
 - Water Sommelier course was operated K-water and KISA separately from 2013. K-water was going based tap water. KISA go based bottled water.
 - Tourism Graduate School in Kyunghee University changed special course from Wine master sommelier course to Wine · Water · Tea master sommelier course in 2013. It would be total beverage master course.
 - Hotel and Tourism College of Kyunghee University made a curriculum as water sommelier of Introduction Beverages in 2013
 - KISA started Water Sommelier Certificates in January 2013

2013, Improvement of Water Sommelier

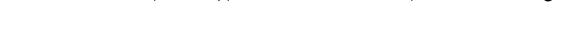
- History of Water Sommelier Certification (KISA)
 - KISA acquired water sommelier certificates as Korea Private Certificates (2016-000272)
- Index of Water Sommelier Certificate
 - 2013 : Candidate 74, Successful 52, Pass Rate 70 27%
 - 2014 : Candidate 90, Successful 77, Pass Rate 85.56%
 - 2015 : Candidate 184, Successful 129, Pass Rate 70.11%
 - 2016 : Candidate 103, Successful 54, Pass Rate 52.43%



The sommeliertimes article about KIS operates water sommelier certificate

Water Sommelier Certification Process in Korea

- Water Sommelier Certification (KISA)
 - It is conducted four times a year (Feb, Apr, July, Nov)
 - Written test (Theory) / Practical test(Blind Tasting, Oral)





- Level 1 / Level 2 / Level 3 from 2016





Water Sommelier Certification Process in Korea

- Water Sommelier Certification (Written Test)
 - Theory based 'Water Communication' written by Dr. Jaeyoun Ko
 - Contents are...

The Sources
Standard Classification
Utilization of bottled water
Water Sommelier
World Premium Water

To be Water Sommelier in South Korea

Water Sommelier Certification Process in Korea

- Water Sommelier Certification (Practical Test)
 - Only candidate after pass written test
 - Blind Tasting: 5 waters of 10 waters pre-selected in advance

Chojung Sparkling Water (Korea)	Fiji Water (Fiji)
Icis 8,0 (Korea)	San Pellegrino (Italy)
Baeksansu (China)	Badoit (France)
Evian (France)	Gerolsteiner Sprudel (Germany)
Volvic (France)	Selters (Germany)

- Oral test is about Advanced Theory in details

Korean Water Sommelier Championship

- Water Sommelier Championship
 - Started Championship from 2011 held by K-water and KISA
 - Only KISA held championship from 2014
 - Try-Out / Semi-Final / Final
 - Try-Out by written test, contents
 same as water sommelier written test
 - Semi-Final by Blind Tasting, 5 waters of 20 waters pre selected including tap water and water-purifier



Korean Water Sommelier Championship

■ Water Sommelier Championship





- 3 players go up to Final. Final by Water Blending, Food with Water,
 Water Storytelling, Blind Tasting and Speed Quiz
- This Year(2017), Semi-Final and Final of 7th Korean Water Sommelier Championship will be held in 1st and 2nd September
- You can see Water Sommelier Championship Live on Facebook and Youtube "Sommelier TV" Channel

