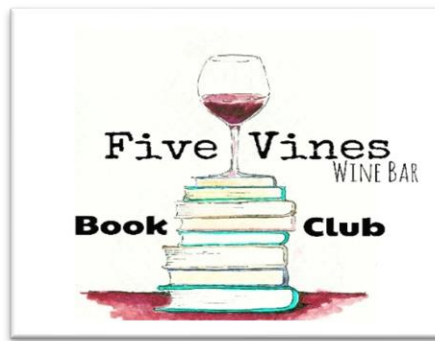


# Welcome Readers!



# Information to Join

## Who:

Anyone 21 years and older can join. But it's best if you love to read, discuss books, drink wine, eat, dress up, and have fun!

## What:

The Five Vines book club is a gathering of readers who enjoy having a fun night out, trying different foods, drinking wine, meeting new people, and, most importantly, discussing the current book. (Maybe you loved it . . . maybe you didn't. That's the best part—different perspectives!)

## Where:

Roots Events at Five Vines Wine Bar (our private event space above the wine bar)

## When:

We gather every other month on a Tuesday and Wednesday (typically the second week of the month) from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Readers sign up to attend either the Tuesday OR Wednesday book club according to their preference and space availability. Each night is capped at 30 people. **Note:** Once you have registered for a specific book club night, you will not be able to transfer to the other night (e.g., if you sign up to attend on Tuesday, you cannot switch to Wednesday).

## How It Works:

Each book club centers on a fun, creative discussion. To complement that discussion, readers will be served food and wine related to the current book. Our event space decor is inspired by the book as well. Will we be eating wedding cake in a spooky, cobweb-filled room or eating peanut butter in outer space? Will we share chocolate in a foxhole on the frontlines or vegan sandwiches at the aquarium? Read the book, sign up, and find out!

At the end of each book club, the next book will be revealed. Recommendations for all types of books are welcome.

## Cost to Join:

The cost of book club is \$60.00 per person (not including 7.75% sales tax). Sorry, there are no refunds, no credits, no rollovers—no exceptions. We plan for who RSVPs and prepare for that number of people each book club meeting. You must reserve a seat (seating is limited and on a first come, first served basis). To reserve your seat, purchase a ticket for a specific book club night on the [Clubs](#) page of our website. When you get a confirmation email back, you are in! You must sign up for each book club event individually.

## What Your Ticket Includes:

Your ticket includes one drink of your choice (red wine, white wine, or craft beer), thematic food relating to the book, and a question-guided book discussion in a themed space.

## Dress as a Character from the Book:

Readers who dress up will have their names entered into a raffle. Show off your creativity (or best effort with what's in your closet, your friend's closet, and maybe your cousin's closet). Plus you may get a free glass of wine.

### **Ground Rules for Book Club:**

The first rule of book club is . . . everyone talks about book club! But more seriously, we ask that all readers come to book club with an open mind and interest in engaging in a thoughtful and respectful discussion. If you know Five Vines, you know that we aren't pretentious. We don't want to be a stuffy, boring book club. We aren't here to police anyone's behavior. BUT we do need to make sure that book club is a place where everyone feels welcome to speak and can be heard. With that in mind, here are a few ground rules that we ask all book club attendees to follow:

1. Come prepared to discuss the book. It's OK if you didn't finish the book. Life happens. Some books aren't for everyone. We get it. But be ready to join in the group conversation as much as possible.
2. Be respectful. Your reading experience and takeaways are not likely to be the same as those of the person sitting next to you in book club. And that is what is so brilliant about book club! Be mindful of others' thoughts, feelings, and opinions. Don't be afraid to speak up. But be willing to listen and learn as well. Most importantly, please be mindful of listening when others are speaking. Continued talking over others and a general disregard for group discussion are not OK.
3. Practice active listening. Our goal is for book club to be an opportunity to unplug for a couple hours. Strive to be fully present and undistracted, be empathetic and nonjudgemental, ask questions and be open to new ideas.

Anyone who repeatedly chooses to disregard these ground rules will not be permitted to continue attending book club.