

Tea for wine!

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Could tea taste as exotic as wine? Well, the new flavours of tea — woody, fruity and flowery certainly suggested so at an evening of wine and cheese in the Capital. In a cosy hall that was filled with fragrances of the tea leaves and French wine, the select few guests were made to inhale the tea from Darjelling, Nilgiri and Himachal Pradesh. And then went on to taste the wine to trace the similarity.



Rajiv with Sanjay

The point in common as the host, tea planter Sanjay Kapur argued was that the “terroir (planting conditions — temperature, weather) of tea and wine are similar. And hence a person who enjoys wine will certainly like these new flavours of tea.” Ch’NG Poh Tiong, representing the wines advised, “Shake the glass before you sip.”

Sanjay’s wife played the perfect hostess, urging all to taste the various kinds of cheese on offer. Chocolate and lemon tarts rounded off the evening...



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