What better way to melt at least a little of winter’s chill than with a wine festival? Whether you’re looking to sample international varietals, explore rare vintages or feast on the flavors of a multi-course, perfectly wine-paired meal, here are some of North America’s best winter wine festivals.
Boston Wine Festival, Boston, MA

The US’s longest running food and wine festival (31 years!) returns to the Boston Harbor Hotel with a jaw-dropping array of wine tastings, food pairings and seminars that run over more than two months. Enjoy a series of dinners hosted by the world’s most renowned winemakers, discover a new wine region or learn more about the wine-making process at a seminar. Standout events include popular themed dinners like Battle of the Cabernets, Meritage Madness, Old World/New World Pinot. If expense is no object, you might want to check out the Indulge; Presidential Wine Experience package, which includes a stay in the John Adams Presidential Suite, as well as a private toast with the winemaker of the night, dinner and a champagne brunch.