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## **ETOILES DE MOUGINS FESTIVAL WELCOMES OUTSTANDINGLY 35 000 VISITORS**

### **A UNIQUE SUMMIT FOR THE BEST GASTRONOMY**

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**USPA NEWS** - This year The Festival of Etoiles des Mougins had a record of 35,000 visitors. This influx of curious, aficionados of the kitchen, budding gourmets, professionals of the kitchen and patisserie, experts of the Tableware, lovers of French cuisine from elsewhere have all moved into this beautiful village of Mougins of the French Riviera. The festival chose this year to change the usual format to a village hosting a local market presenting the sale and demonstration of local products, through showcases and workshops installed all over the alleys of Picasso's village. The 170 starred chefs, the MOFs (best of France) students in Cooking or Pastry, the chefs of the biggest chains and top restaurants, and the great experts of the French culinary art, the culinary critics come from around the World, have honoured this unique rendez vous in Mougins.

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The 35 000 visitors and 170 chefs took part, and gave their advice, offered various demonstrations in the various cooking workshops, around the charismatic Michelin starred chef, Philippe Etchebest. This great meeting of chefs and the public gathered around a common passion that is Gastronomy, during the 13th edition. It was again the best opportunity for sharing and testing a good flood and a very beautiful year, for the best pasted buds fulfilled!-----

In a redefined scenography and deployed in all the alleys of the village, the amazed visitors come in large numbers have enjoyed a gourmet course of excellence consisting of workshops, exhibitors, demonstrations, tastings, prestigious competitions, a real Provençal market and a village of chefs where everyone has been eating and savouring at will, under the shining sun.

### **SOME INCREDIBLE FIGURES JUST FOR THE RECALL -----**

35,000 visitors

170 Heads - 12 MOF - 43 Stars

26 pastry chefs

112 workshops

130 recipes executed before and by the public

3062 dishes made

5000 folded napkins at the Tableware space

150 Agents and volunteers

94 partners

€ 1,496,000 in goods exchange

5000 newspapers of the Stars of Mougins, write during the day, printed at night and distributed to the visitors.

### **THE HIGHLIGHTS AND BEST MOMENTS SHARED AT MOUGIN**

**PHILIPPE ETCHEBEST 2 STARS MICHELIN WAS A GUEST OF HONOR SURPRISING BY ITS GENEROSITY.**

-----Philippe Etchebest, is an amazing and surprising guest of honor because he surprised both the organizing team, the guest conductors and the general public by his authenticity, his availability and his incredible and totally voluntary investment in this Festival. Present in all spaces, Chef Etchebest, 2 Michelin stars (2008), MOF (2000) participated in everything, did not leave the Festival for a moment, and was keen to attend the launch of all competitions, using of his proven coaching power to advise impressed candidates and taste each of their preparation.-----

**A TRIBUTE TO ANY PROFESSION.** Mougins Festival afforded this year a hedge of chefs in the colors of the Stars of Mougins with a mistress of ceremony Louise Petitrenaud, the radiant and relevant culinary columnist at France 2; A Mayor, Richard Galy totally invested in his event and having shared a lot of emotion with Chef Philippe Etchebest. All this was immortalized by the videos of his friends Arnaud Donckele, Dominique Toulousy, Lionel Levy, Michel Portos and Patrick Jeffroy ... this is what we remember the homage paid by a whole city to the leader of the Fourth Wall .

### **THANK YOU TO ORGANIZERS FACILITATING ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**

Myself, Rahma Sophia Rachdi, invited by the Stars Festival of Mougins, who is in a wheelchair, would like to bring my own

testimony, as to the incredible efforts made by the organizing team. These efforts made with such kindness and empathy that they seem easy, to facilitate my access to ALL places, even the most improbable (rise and descent of markets, transfers from one place to another, facilitation difficult access) and all this was done in joy and good humor and caring solidarity. Mr Richard Galy the mayor of Mougins who also himself, offered me help to advance my wheeling chair and the access to the "Piece Montee" of made by Bruno Lafargue as a tribute to Chef Etchebest!-----

Thanks to Gisele, Thierry, Romuald, Jean Pierre, Francois, Jacques & Roland, David & Noelle, Bernard & Manu ... and many others! This is the spirit of Mougins, an epitome of benevolence and culinary performance that strives for excellence and that is why each year we are delighted to return, and see again these wonderful hosts and meet new people in the world, in line with the same state of mind of the sharing around the gastronomy.

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