

It is highly recommended to stabilize the wine

The fining agent helps clear the wine faster.

4- Let it rest 2 weeks or more

Place the airlock and rubber bung onto the carboy.

The airlock must contain a sterilizing sulfite solution.

3- Place carboy in a higher position ready for the next step. It will prevent moving the sediment at the bottom

Stabilizer #2: Sulphite. Inhibits bacteria and help prevent oxidation of the wine Stabilisant #3: Potassium sorbate. Inhibits bacteria and prevents refermentation on the wine

OPTION: If you desire fast clearing, add a natural Fining agent #4.

2- The carboy must be full to the top because air space may oxidize it and

change its quality. If necessary add more wine to fill the carboy.

Add to the carboy Package #2 + #3

Optionnel #4 - Clarifiant



<u>IMPORTANT</u> Carboy must be full of wine to the top

Optional Clip to hold racking tube and to help guide slowly to the bottom





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Racking tube

DAY 30 to DAY 40 - FILTER THE WINE or DO ADDITIONAL TRANSFER

OPTION A - FILTER THE WINE

Different systems are available to filter the wine <u>Filtration is not an obligation in the winemaking</u> Doing additional transfer will also guarantee clearness of the wine



1- **Transfer the wine to another clean container** while taking care not to disturb the sediment at the bottom of the container.

If the sediment is disturbed at any point during the syphoning process, pour any syphoned wine back into the original container, cover and leave the sediment to re-settle

for further 24hrs or until clear because the moved sediment may block the filter pads.

2- Filter the wine to another clean container and taste

If you wish to personnalize your wine it should be at this stage

You may decide to make your wine more light, medium or sweet tasting. (see information bellow-Personnalize your wine)

OPTION B - DO EXTRA TRANSFER

Filter naturally the wine by doing additional transfers



1-<u>Carefully without moving the sediment at the bottom</u> syphon the wine to another clean carboy. Don't insert the racking tube directly at the bottom; it may disturb the sediment.

Insert the racking tube gradually. The carboy or container must be full to the top. Add wine to fill up. Space of air may gradually oxydize the wine. Attach the air lock filled with sulfite solution.

2- <u>LET IT REST 7 to 10 days or more</u> until wine becomes clear . To ensure total clearness you may need to do several transfer according wine

The container should be stood on a raised surface (kitchen cupboard) to allow the wine to be siphoned later

3- <u>Once wine is clear</u>, transfer the wine to another clean container while taking care not to disturb the sediment at the bottom of the container. If the sediment is disturbed at any point during the syphoning process, pour any syphoned wine back into the original container and leave the sediment to re-settle for further 24hrs or until clear.

If you wish to personnalize your wine it should be at this stage You may decide to make your wine more light, medium or sweet tasting. (see information bellow-Personnalize your wine)

Personnalize the wine before bottling

Winemakers sweeten their wines by adding cane sugar (SUCROSE) which is usually done just before bottling.

The extend of sweetening depends on the style of wine you are looking to do

You may enjoy adding sugar just to a few bottles or you may add sugar to all your 23L (6 us.gal) batch of wine

IMPORTANT: When you sweeten a wine it is very important that the wine contains already a wine stabilizer (potassium sorbate-sulfite)

Quantity of sugar to add per bottle of 750ml

Light sweet = approx. 1/2 <u>teaspoon</u> to 1 teaspoon Medium sweet = approx. 1 <u>teaspoon</u> to 2 teaspoons Sweet= approx. 1 <u>table</u>spoon to 2 tablespoons

Quantity of sugar to add for 23L (6us.gal) of wine

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Light sweet = approx 1/4 cup to 2/3 cup Medium sweet = approx. 2/3 cup to 1 cup Sweet= approx. 1 cup to 2 cups



Aerating the wine before bottling

During fermentation according temperature and different environment, the microflora and in particular the yeast may develop aroma-active components in lower or higher intensity

<u>Aerating a wine</u> means exposing it to air or giving it a chance to "breathe". Allowing the wine to breathe is simply a normal process; exposing it to air for a small period of time (15min to 30 min) by mixing it in an open container will release and soften the aromas.

Releases primary aromas You may repeat it severals time if needed. Once aerating is done you may bottle it or transfer into a full glass carboy and let it rest more days

Bottling the wine

Once wine is good tasting and clear, bottle it

Rinse wine bottles thoroughly with hot water or with sulfite solution. Syphon the wine into the bottles and seal with cork allowing 1"/2.5cm head space between cork and wine. Wait 24-48 hours before inverting the bottles once corked. This will allow expansion time for the corks and will decrease tha chance of leaking bottles.

Drink the wine young or let it age to develop aromas and finesse. For a young wine, room temperature will accelerate the aging process. After 6 months , transfer to cooler temperature.