



WINE QUALITY SOLUTIONS

MASTER OF BOTTLING

ENSURING OPTIMAL AND LASTING BOTTLING PERFORMANCE

Over the past 10 years, we have carried out hundreds of bottling audits in many different wineries around the world, which allowed us to develop extensive expertise in wine bottling. A bottling audit is the first step that allows a company to assess its wine conditioning performance. As an extension of that service, the Wine Quality Solutions team has developed a full certification program to help companies integrate good and sustainable bottling practices for the long term. The “Master of Bottling” program covers the implementation of specific improvements to the procedures in place, in accordance with a set of specifications that we have identified. It also covers the training of operators to ensure they can continue to achieve consistent and high-quality bottling performances in the future. A follow-up audit cycle is included to achieve these objectives.



OBJECTIVES

- **Identifying the main areas of improvement** during an initial audit
- **Optimizing conditioning performance** in accordance with Wine Quality Solutions specifications
- **Putting in place best bottling practices:** from finished wine to bottled wine (filtration, stabilisation, transfers...)
- **Training staff** to integrate best and sustainable bottling practices
- **Obtaining the “Master of Bottling”** certification, after at least one year of monitoring by a Wine Quality Solutions specialist
- **Maintaining the performance achieved:** new testing cycle either in collaboration with a Wine Quality Solutions specialist or through the company self-testing plans and established procedures
- **Standing out from the competition:** modernizing and safeguarding procedures, staying ahead in terms of innovation and quality standards



MEANS

- **Preliminary audit**
 - Assessing procedures in place
 - Testing equipment settings on-site and reviewing maintenance programs
 - Managing gas from tank to bottles
 - › identifying critical O₂ pick-up points and variations
 - › testing losses and variations in CO₂ levels
 - Checking the conformity of the bottles and evaluating the closure-bottle match
 - Providing full documentation of quality monitoring
 - Alerting staff of critical points identified during this first audit
- **Training**
 - Definition of KPIs (key performance indicators)
 - Full quality documentation provided
 - Training staff in case of using Wine Quality Solutions analyzers or equipment
- **Certification audits**
 - Checking performance in line with Wine Quality Solutions standards
 - **“Master of Bottling” certification:** issued by a Wine Quality Solutions specialist once quality objectives have been reached; Maintaining level of quality: introducing testing plans and established procedures in relation to monitoring quality, **performance periodically checked** by Wine Quality Solutions specialists



BENEFITS

- Customized solutions tailored to the setup of the company
- Tangible improvement of bottling performance
- Complete and controlled gas management at every stage of the process
- Improved bottle-to-bottle consistency
- Longer shelf-life for wines
 - Target TPO
 - Adjusting the level of SO₂
 - Shelf-life prediction
- Pragmatic management of procedures: actions based on measurements
- Enhancing the performance achieved and improving quality for customers

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