Using Maurivin Active Dry Wine Yeast



The proper preparation of Active Dry Wine Yeast (ADWY) is crucial for a successful fermentation.



A simple process, done properly, can save a lot of time and anxiety down the track.



Having an active starter culture minimises the lag phase (an important factor in achieving a healthy ferment) and decreases the chance of sluggish or stuck fermentations.

Inoculation Rates

Rehydrating 25g of ADWY in 100L (2lbs/1000gals) of juice/must will achieve a minimum 5x10⁶ viable cells/ml.

30-40g per 100L juice (2.5-4.2lbs per 1000gals)

17-25g per 100L juice (0.8-1.2lbs per 1000gals)

- To achieve an effective fermentation it's important to have a population of 1.2-1.5x10⁸ viable cells/ml present at the end of yeast growth (a third to half way through fermentation).
- Therefore, a minimum starting population of 5x10⁶ viable cells/ml is required.
- For reds, dosage can be lower due to the presence of nutrients (via skins), but for highly clarified whites and historically difficult juices, 30-40g/100L (2.5-4.2lbs/1000gals) is recommended.





Recommended procedure for

Rehydrating Maurivin Active Dry Wine Yeast

EACH STEP IS VITALLY IMPORTANT FOR OPTIMUM YEAST REHYDRATION



Rehydrate ADWY by slowly sprinkling it into 5-10 times its weight into clean water, pre-heated to between 35-40°C/95-104°F



mix **gently**

- Any toxins or chemicals present in the water can harm/kill the yeast cells during rehydration.
- Rehydrating at a lower temperature will result in essential cytoplasmic material leaking from the cells (mainly carbohydrates), thus reducing cell viability.
- It's best when first adding the yeast to water to mix very gently, exposing all the yeast to the water.



Allow the yeast to stand for 15 MINUTES without stirring.



- Allows the cell membranes
 to regain maximum
 fluidity, without which
 stirring can physically
 damage the membranes.
- Stirring will also disperse
 micro-nutrients that had
 first escaped the cells upon
 contact with the water.
 These important micronutrients can be reabsorbed
 by the cells if within the
 immediate vicinity.



Adjust the temperature of the rehydrated yeast solution to within 5°C/9°F of the juice/must (sulphite-free) to be inoculated by adding sufficient volumes to give successive 5°C/9°F reductions in temperature.

Acclimatise the yeast to the juice/must.

This should be done **over a 15 minute period**.



Use the yeast within 30 MINUTES of rehydration.



- After 30 minutes, the activity
 of the yeast can start to decline
 due to lack of nutrients.
- This time can be extended if the yeast was acclimatised with juice or water containing nutrients.



It's recommended the juice/must to be inoculated must be 18°C/64°F or higher to avoid extended lag time.

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- An important factor for the cell population to reach 1.2-1.5x10⁸ viable cells/ml is for the temperature to remain above 18°C/64°F for the initial stage of fermentation.
- Within 10-20% of the sugar being metabolised (1-3 days), the temperature of the ferment can be reduced.