ML Prime™



APPLICATION

ML Prime™ has been developed with a new production process that optimizes the active bacterial culture. Its high malolactic enzyme activity shortens the lag phase and can quickly degrade malic acid content up to 3 g/L.

ML Prime™ is able to achieve a very fast malolactic fermentation before the growth of indigenous bacteria, often responsible for the VA increase or other wine defects in high pH conditions.

ML Prime™ is a *Lactobacillus plantarum* wine bacteria selected by Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore - Piacenza Campus in Italy, with interesting microbiological and oenological properties for high pH red wines.

Used in co-inoculation, *ML Prime*[™] is perfectly suited to conduct MLF in classical red winemaking process using short or medium macerations or thermovinification process on the liquid phase.

ML Prime[™] is the perfect tool for winemakers for red vinification with low natural acidity and pH \geq 3.4.

- In co-inoculation, ML Prime™ can:
 - Rapidly consume malic acid (between 3 and 15 days depending on grapes and musts matrix).
 - Avoid the development of indigenous and undesirable bacteria contamination
- In co-inoculation, ML Prime™ limits the risks that could affect wine quality:

 No risk of production of volatile acidity due its facultative heterofermentative metabolism (does not produce acetic acid from glucose and fructose)

 No development of wine faults because growth of indigenous spoilage bacteria is suppressed.

When used correctly, ML Prime[™] can help reduce the rate of SO2 addition after the end of AF.

 $\textit{ML Prime}^{\intercal}$ can only be used for co-inoculation. There is no growth in wine and slow die-off towards the end of MLF.

Grapes should be well macerated.

MICROBIAL AND OENOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

To be used only as co-inoculation (on must 24 hours after yeast addition)

- pH ≥ 3.4
- Malic acid content ≤ 3 g/L
- Temperature range tolerance: from 20°C to 26°C
- Total SO₂ tolerance: 5 g/hL (total addition at crush before addition of **ML Prime**™)
- Short lag phase fast MLF kinetic
- No volatile acidity production: does not produce acetic acid from glucose and fructose (facultative heterofermentative strain)
- No production of biogenic amines
- Bacteria cinnamyl esterase negative: cannot produce precursors for ethylphenol production by Brettanomyces
- No diacetyl formation
- Good impact on the colour intensity of wine



The MBR® form of lactic acid

specific process that subjects the

lactic acid bacteria cells to vari-

ous biophysical stresses, making

them better able to withstand the

rigors of direct addition to wine. The conditioned MBR® lactic acid

and possess the ability to conduct

















MICROBIAL AND OENOLOGICAL PROPERTIES (cont'd)

- No problem to be used with thermovinification (except with Merlot fruit)
- · Higher lactic acid production: slight increase in L-lactic acid, which brings freshness to wines
- Good colour intensity and stabilisation of colour
- Good tool to ensure an efficient and complete MLF with high Baume fruit (which could potentially lead to sluggish or stuck alcoholic fermentation)

Used in co-inoculation, *ML Prime*[™] contributes to produce red wines with more structure.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

EXCLUSIVELY IN CO-INOCULATION

1) Yeast addition

Rehydrate the selected dry yeast according to the instructions. Preferably in presence of a rehydration nutrient and inoculate the must.

2) Bacteria addition

 SO_2 addition at crush up to 5 g/hL (< 50ppm SO_2 added): wait for 24 hours after yeast addition before adding bacteria. Avoid SO_2 addition > 5 g/hL

- Open the sachet of wine bacteria and:
 - Either add it directly into the must at temperature between 20°C and 26°C.
 - Or for better distribution, quickly rehydrate the bacteria in a mix of must and drinking water (50/50) and add the suspension to the fermenting must.
- Carefully monitor the temperature, between 20°C and 26°C during alcoholic and malolactic fermentation. Avoid a temperature below 20°C and > 26°C.
- Monitor malic acid degradation every 2 days.

PACKAGING AND STORAGE

- Product in powder form obtained by lyophilisation.
- Available for 2,5 hL, 25 hL and 250 hL.
- This product can be stored for 18 months at 4°C and 36 months at 18°C in original sealed packaging. Once opened, the sachet must be used immediately.
- During delivery, sealed packets can be held at ambient temperature for 3 weeks (< 25°C) without significant loss of viability.

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