TYPES OF BOTTLES FOR WINE

Bottle Shapes, Bottle Sizes, and Other Options

BOTTLE SHAPES

- **Claret AKA Bordeaux Bottle**
  - Straight Sides
  - Popular for Bordeaux varietal wines.

- **Burgundy Bottle**
  - Sloped Sides
  - Popular for Burgundian varietals such as Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

- **Euro-Neck Option**
  - These bottles often are available in "Euro Neck". Euro Neck is a wider format neck which requires a larger foil or shrink, but takes the same size cork.

- **Hock Bottle**
  - Tall & Slender
  - Popular for German wines such as Riesling.

- **Champagne Bottle**
  - Bellisima Bottle
  - Speciality bottle shapes

- **Flint**
  - Champagne Green
  - Dead Leaf Green
  - Antique Green

BOTTLE COLORS

- Wine bottle sizes are available in an assortment of metric sizes. Below are standard equivalents for reference.

  - 250 ml = 8.45 oz
  - 375 ml = 12.7 oz
  - 500 ml = 16.9 oz
  - 750 ml = 25.35 oz
  - 1.5 liter (Magnum) = 50.7 oz

- **Corks**
  - **Cork Finish**
    - Standard size is 1.75" height by .95" width.
    - Cannot hold pressure.

  - **Screw Cap**
    - Some Types Require Machine Installation
    - STELVIN® type screw caps are used commercially but are not practical for home use. Other screw caps provide only temporary protection. Cannot hold pressure.

  - **Swing Top**
    - No Tools Required
    - Swing tops can be installed by hand and can be used for both carbonated and still beverages.

  - **Crown Cap**
    - Capper Required for Installation
    - Two sizes are available, 26 mm is standard in the US, 29 mm is standard in Europe. Appropriate for bottles intended to hold pressure for carbonation.

THE BOTTOM

- **Punted AKA Kick-Up**
  - Most wine bottles have a punted bottom. The higher the punt, the taller the bottle will be along with a larger overall appearance.

- **Flat Bottom**
  - Flat bottom bottles are sometimes available, generally as an "eco" or economy option with lighter glass.