

JOSEPH FRANÇOIS

A name, A brand, dedicated to « Made to Measure Casks and Vats »

François Family

By choosing the name Joseph François for its Casks and Vats, the François Family pays tribute to the first generation of coopers which became in 4 generations the uncontested global leader for wood used to age wines and spirits, and for wood alternatives in enology.

In this way, Casks and Vats have their own dedicated brand, it guarantees complete dedication to the specificities of this demanding profession. Foudrerie François is a prestigious company with declared ambitions, which aims to be the perfect representative of the reputation of this family. It works to create all the elements to make each project unique and exclusive.

Wood Quality

All our wood is from oak trees from the most beautiful French forests. Certified ISO 9001 since 2006, we ensure a complete traceability of the wood due to a long term partnership with our suppliers.

Wood is air seasoned for 36 to 60 months according to the thickness of their future staves. From the arrival of the trunks to the beginning of their production, tests are carried out to make sure there is no contamination from haloanisol and halophenol. Also, Foudrerie François gives priority to a selection of fine and medium grained wood, to ensure a long term exchange with oxydization and tannins.

Finally, we are very careful to select our wood to combine esthetics and enological quality.

Enological conception

At Foudrerie François, the enological conception is entrusted to a professional team made up of engineers, enologists, Master coopers, in order to meet your enological requirements and advice you in this very particular sphere of excellence.

Each cask or vat is unique, like the wines which will be aged in these products of exception.

In order to assist you in your wine making process and aging, we have worked with our stainless steel accessory suppliers, to manufacture products made to measure to meet your specific needs.

Production and Esthetism

While we use modern management techniques, we have deliberately chosen a hand crafted production, which reflects our confidence in our craftsmen's talents and which creates a unique product for you.

Steam bending, toasting for several hours, hand sanding, sculpture on demand and finishing techniques worthy of talented cabinetmakers, make your product different from all the others and enables you to have a distinguished product in terms of quality and esthetics.

An individual identification plaque accompanies each Cask and Vat so it can be traced throughout its life, from our workshop to your winery, and transmits this living heritage.

Maintenance and Service

A mobile team of Master coopers is at your disposal to intervene in our oak Casks and Vats. From simple diagnosis to specific interventions, our Master coopers are at your service and accompany you with their expertise in your renovation choices and maintenance.

These unique products are worthy of the most important respect and the greatest care.





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