

## MASTER COOPERS

FRANCE CA, USA

### HISTORY -



Vincent Bouchard; Founder of Master Coopers.

After 36 years of passion and dedication to the cooperage business, Vincent Bouchard put his signature on a barrel under his Master Coopers brand.

Master Coopers strives for the integration of wood and wine throughout the 5 stages of tasting: the nose, the front palette, the mid palette, the finish and what in Italy is called the "retro-gusto" where the wine comes back after drinking or spitting. The integration is balanced in a way that shows a reverence for fruit and terroir.

What distinguishes the Master Coopers brand is the unique proprietary way the barrels are toasted.

### MADE IN AMERICA —

Vincent Bouchard partnered with one of North America's premier cooperages to cooper the "Made in America" American Oak barrels.

The proprietary toasting process is much longer than the traditional toasting time and done at a lower flame, designed to optimize the essence of American oak while minimizing its undesirable characteristics. That means more subtle oak nuances that lift the fruit and broaden the palate; and less aggressive lactones with no overt oakiness, plankyness or dill.

### **STYLISTICALLY**

Proprietary toast deepens and enhances finesse, elegance and length on French oak and decreases presence of whiskey lactones on American oak.

### - PRODUIT DE BOURGOGNE -

Working closely with a selected Burgundian Cooper with whom he has had the longest relationship, the barrels feature 100% 3-year air dry French oak from specially selected premier forests, and are available in both Slow Blue and Slow Red toasts:

- Slow Blue for Chardonnay and other whites
- Slow Red for Pinot Noir and other delicate/aromatic reds.



Master Coopers Produit de Bourgogne barrel getting its finishing touches.

# Missouri Select M+ Long TOSS Control TOSS Control TOSS TOSS

Master Coopers USA barrel destined for a cellar in Mexico.

### STRONG POINTS

- Proprietary toast for wines and different char levels for spirits
- Special Barrel: Unity
- Blending of different French forests for the Slow Red and Slow Blue French oak barrels
- State specific forests used for American oak barrels:
  - Minnesota
  - Missouri
- Available in 225L or 228L
- Fire & steam bent barrels
- 3-year air dry and tight grain available upon request

# Made in America

AMERICAN OAK 24 MONTHS AIR DRY

\$ 485

Burgundy Export (228L) \$ 475

25/27 mm staves, 6 galvanized hoops

Bordeaux Export (225L) \$475

25/27 mm staves, 6 galvanized hoops

Bordeaux Export Thin Stave (225L)

20/22 mm staves, 6 galvanized hoops

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\$575

The Unity barrel is a fine selection of tight grain Missouri and Minnesota oak that has been naturally aged in the elements between three to four years with four year air dry heads and a proprietary steam bending and toasting technique that aims to showcase the most subtle nuances of fine American oak to elevate your wine.

■ The prices above are listed in USD (\$) and include delivery to our Napa Valley warehouse.

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BARREL OPTIONS		OAK SELECTIONS		TOAST LEVEL FOR WINE	
Name  Toasted Heads (TH)  Steam Bending (SB)  3-Year Air Dry (3Y)  Tight Grain Missouri Oak (TG)  Extra-Tight Grain Minnesota Oak (ETG)	No Charge No Charge +\$30 +\$30 +\$30	_	Slow-growth American white oak of the highest quality is seasoned for a minimum of 2 years and sourced from:  Missouri Missouri oak offers sweetness and vanillia notes.  Minnesota Minnesota oak is the tightest grained, providing elegance and depth.	The proprietary toasting process, developed personally by Vincent Bouchard, is much longer than the traditional toasting time and done at a lower flame, designed to optimize the essence of American oak while minimizing its undesirable characteristics.  That means more subtle oak nuances that lift the fruit and broaden the palate and less aggressive lactones with no overt oakiness, plankiness or dill. Heads are toasted.	
Extra Tight Grain Fillinesota Gak (E16)				TOAST LEVEL FOR SPIRITS  Char 1 - Darkened Char 2 - Industry Char 3 - Industry Standard Char 4 - Alligator Skin	



Product	Qty	FRENCH OAK 36 MONTHS AIR DRY  EARLY ORDER	FRENCH OAK 36 MONTHS AIR DRY LATE ORDER	TOAST LEVEL
Burgundy Export (228L) 25/27 mm staves, 8 galvanized hoops	1-15 16-30 31-50 51+	924 € 915 € 906 € 899 €	984 € 975 € 966 € 959 €	Slow Blue Medium Slow Blue Medium Long Slow Red Medium Long Slow Red Medium Plus

■ To qualify for an early delivery price, your order must be confirmed by April 15 and delivered by July 1.

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