

# Wine cellaring at home:

How to select a wine cabinet

## Australia's love for wine

#### The domestic market accounts for around

## **500 million litres**

of Australian wine per year.

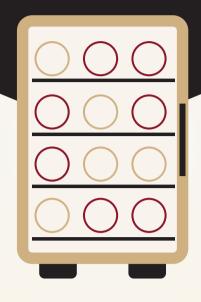


Sales above \$10 per bottle increasing.



Growing import market.

Given Australia's love for wine, it is not uncommon for consumers to have an extensive collection of wine at home. The problem of how to cellar and display wine is one faced by a growing number of wine aficionados who want their own wine on hand to drink whenever they choose.



## The golden rules of wine cellaring



#### **Stable temperature**

Maintaining a constant cool temperature is critical. Wine can be compromised in conditions that are subject to regular temperature fluctuations.



#### Humidity above 50%

Bottles should be cellared in an environment where humidity levels are kept between 50% to 60% relative humidity.



#### Keep it in the dark

Wine should be kept in a dark space, and protected from ultraviolet (UV) light.



#### **No vibrations**

Vibration can disturb sediment present in the bottle and cause undesirable chemical reactions.



#### **Constant air flow**

A constant airflow is needed to renew the air, limit odours from penetrating the wine and to prevent mould and fungus growth.

## Choosing a wine cabinet

A wine cabinet is an ideal cellaring option to meet the needs of the modern wine collector with the leading products including design features that ensure wine is kept in the right conditions for it to age gracefully.





Types of wine cabinet

#### Single Zone:

Ideal for cellaring all wines. Alternatively, use for serving wines at a single temperature.



#### Multi Temp:

Serve a variety of varietals at their ideal drinking temperatures.

#### **Dual Temp:**

Separate compartments for serving and/or cellaring at different temperatures.

## Capacity and size

- How many bottles and varieties of wine do you want to store?
- Provide space to grow your collection.
- Accommodate different size bottles, e.g. champagne.

#### Location in the home

 Install a wine cabinet in the kitchen or dining area for display, in a separate bar area, under a kitchen bench, or in the garage or basement.

## Shelving and display

- Sliding, reversible and adjustable shelves can provide convenience and flexibility.
- Fitted wooden shelves to minimise vibration.

### Freestanding or built-in

- Built-in wine cabinets require proper ventilation to avoid overheating.
- Freestanding units are generally less expensive and easy to move around the home.

#### Style and customisation

 Many wine cabinets are customisable, allowing designers to specify different finishes, colours, racking, door designs and lighting.



## A wine cabinet is **NOT** a wine fridge

Wine fridges generate intense cold and remove ambient humidity, which are not ideal conditions for wine ageing. In comparison, wine cabinets deliver a climate-controlled environment that is specifically designed to replicate the conditions found in the best natural underground cellars.

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