

A storage system has now become an essential criterion when choosing a wine cabinet.

Each user will have their own preference in terms of storage. Some people like to stack bottles on top of one another but for others, this type of storage is not suitable because they want to be able to easily access all of the bottles. It is quite common for a cabinet to incorporate both types of storage (with some of the bottles stacked on top of one another and one section dedicated to storing bottles individually). Obviously, it is up to the user to choose the storage system that best suits their requirements.

Characteristics of wine bottles to take into account in order to design an ideal wine cabinet storage system.

- > Wine cases contain 12, 6 or 3 bottles.
- > A full bottle weighs approximately 1,350 Kg
- > Bottles differ in length. By way of example: Alsace 330 mm, “traditional” Bordeaux (hollow base) 300 mm, Bordeaux (flat base) 275 mm, Burgundy “heavy bottles” 300 mm, Burgundy shape (flat base) 275 mm, “Loire wines” shape 295 mm, “Rhône wines” shape 295 mm etc....
- > Diameters of bottles can vary. By way of example: Alsace 70 mm, “traditional” Bordeaux (hollow base) 75 mm, Bordeaux (flat base) 75 mm, Burgundy “heavy bottles” 83 mm, Burgundy shape (flat base) 80 mm, “Loire wines” shape 80 mm, “Rhône

wines” shape 80 mm etc...

- > Since storage requirements may change over, the system must be able to be changed or added to.
- > It must be easy to identify the bottles.
- > Bottles stored in small quantities must be easy to access.
- > It must be possible to store bottles of different shapes and sizes together.

In conclusion, the ideal storage system must be able to store at least 12 bottles of any origin, have load bearing strength, be universal in terms of use (sliding or storage) and have label holders.



What is the situation regarding Artevino’s storage system?

Given that no two users have the same storage requirements, Artevino created a standard storage system that can be customised by adding other shelves. The entire Artevino range is designed to be “modular”. Artevino shelves are universal, they can be positioned in “display, sliding or storage position”. The user therefore chooses the shelf format according to his storage requirements. This system allows the user to change or add to their cabinet’s storage system.

At least 12 bottles can be stored, to observe wine case packing criteria.

The Artevino shelf can hold 12 bottles (for models in the “Oxygen” range), and 13 bottles (for models in the “Access” and “Performance” ranges) of different shapes and sizes. It is possible, owing to the space between the two recesses, to store both two “Burgundy” bottles and two “Alsace” bottles. In this case, it has been possible to create 13 spaces, which increases accordingly the capacity. As shown in the photo, the bottles are stored “head to tail”, whatever the shape and size of the bottles.

Able to store all types of bottles

The Artevino shelf can hold the most popular types of bottles. Unlike all other wine cabinets on the market, the capacity of Artevino cabinets is expressed using “traditional” Bordeaux bottles (hollow base). It is obvious that storing “traditional” Bordeaux bottles or heavy Burgundy bottles is more difficult than storing bottles of the same shape but shorter. Whatever the length of 75 cl bottles, it will always be possible to store 13 bottles.



The difference between long and short bottles

All of the bottles shown in the photos are 75 cl bottles. Yet, some are longer than others. The difference lies in the fact that some bottles have hollow bases whilst others have flat bases. It should be noted that “flat base” bottles are more commonly used to hold wines that do not develop over a long period of time (small wines), whereas “hollow base” bottles hold wines intended for cellaring. It makes sense, therefore, that the storage system of a wine cabinet worthy of this name must be able to store wines intended for maturing.



Access and Performance ranges



Oxygen range

Shelves in “sliding” position

Sliding shelf with 12+1 spaces i.e. 13 (“Performance and Access” ranges) or 12 spaces (“Oxygen” range). Sliding shelves are specially designed to store bottles individually or in small quantities. They allow you to store together different types of bottles, whether they are Burgundy, Bordeaux, even “grand cru” size, and Alsace, Rhône and Loire Valley wines.

Additional items essential for effective storage - the label holder and the wine record



The label holder

The shelves are designed to hold labels and in this way allow you to immediately see which bottle to take.

In addition to all of these solutions to meet the requirements of ideal storage, Artevino shelves are in solid beech coated with an environmentally-friendly varnish which does not contain solvents, to protect it from moisture.



Access and Performance ranges



Oxygen range

Shelves in “Storage” position

Designed for stacking bottles, storage shelves with 13 spaces (“Performance and Access” ranges) or 12 spaces (“Oxygen” range) can hold different types of bottles whatever their shape or size. Owing to the spacing at the base, bottles of different shapes can be stored together. This storage system is designed to store a large number of bottles - up to 78 bottles (“Performance and Access” ranges) and 72 bottles (“Oxygen” range) for a maximum load of 103 Kg.



Access and Performance ranges



Oxygen range

Shelves in “display” position

Dedicated to storage and displaying bottles upright, the display shelf allows you to store bottles which you have already opened and intend to drink later.

In conclusion, it is up to each user to decide which storage system best suits their requirements. For this reason, the artevino.fr website, in the section Products/The range/Choosing a model/ Suitable storage, allows simulation of the various pieces of equipment and above allows you to find out the capacity of the cabinet, according to the number of shelves. Your retailer will be able to provide you with additional information, if necessary.