



Clarion Grape Variety



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Clarion Grape Variety for Making Dry White Wines

Clarion has been evaluated as MN1220 for more than 20 years and continually produces top quality wines. The grape bunches are loose which can contribute to reduced disease and insect pressure for conventional production methods. Although marginally hardy in Zone 4 (Minnesota), this selection has tested well in Iowa and Wisconsin (Zone 5). With a less vigorous growth habit than other cold-hardy varieties, it is easier to manage in the vineyard. The upright growth habit and good shoot positions make Clarion a candidate for VSP or high wire cordon training systems. Clarion ripens earlier than many riparia based wine varieties, so it will fit in nicely into established harvest schedules.

Propagating Clarion Grapevines for Sale

If you would like to become licensed to propagate Clarion grapevines for sale in the United States, then please complete a plant material variety license application. At this time, Clarion is not available for propagation or sale in Canada.

Please note, nurseries that are licensed by the University of Minnesota are only permitted to sell vines to 1) growers for the production of wine or juice for personal use only or 2) commercial purchasers for production of fruit to be used in the commercial manufacture of wine. Sales to commercial producers who produce fruit for the production of juice or other non-alcohol food products are prohibited.

Clarion Grapevines - More Information

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- [Matthew Clark's](#) faculty page
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Clarion Grapevine - Protection Information

- US Plant Patent PP34,794, issued December 6, 2022

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