



MASILVA
WE ARE CORK



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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

MASILVA has operated in the cork industry for over 45 years, exploiting synergies between nature and industry, committed to becoming an industry benchmark at product quality level, customer service, technological innovation and mindful of sustainable development. Marked by continuous growth supported by new physical and human structures, MASILVA reaffirms its entrepreneurship by being bold and serious-minded in the marketing of its product, the natural cork stopper. Having ensured the company's leading position for the future through its management succession plan, the largest challenge now is to expand to new geographies and make the customer realize the value added brought by the natural cork and set MASILVA brand as a model in the cork industry.

Manuel Silva

(Founder and President)

José Silva

(CEO)

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THE VALUE OF CULTURE

Cork processing is a sector with firm roots in the Portuguese industry and economy for at least two centuries. Led into this tradition by the founder and current president Manuel Alves da Silva, the MASILVA group has been producing natural cork stoppers since 1972. Gradually over time, the several units installed abroad in the most relevant wine producing countries in the world have shaped MASILVA Group into what it is today, a family owned business with a strong financial position and deep knowledge about the cork sector. At present, the main goals of the Group are to consolidate its position in mature markets and reach new developing markets, driven by the added value of natural cork. The unique characteristics of the cork become more and more distinguished in the world, thanks to the growing preference for environmentally sustainable products.

OUR COMMITMENT

To design, produce and supply reliable natural cork stoppers that properly seal wine bottles and other alcoholic beverages, ensuring their organoleptic neutrality. Naturally, MASILVA Group seeks legitimate economical results, having in mind the social responsibility to local communities in the various parts of the world where each company operates. The involvement of all players in the supply chain of the organization and their awareness about food safety for consumers as well as the sustainable management of cork forests are the main pillars of our philosophy.





RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION

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ONEBYONE[®]

Over the last 45 years MASILVA has established itself as an industry technology leader and its proprietary cork cleaning processes are recognized worldwide. With the design and implementation of this new state-of-the-art testing technology we once again demonstrate our determination to becoming the leading manufacturer of the finest premium cork. This fully automated process is based on a cutting-edge technology that uses gas-phase spectroscopy, available for high-end corks intended for Premium wines. Each stopper is checked one by one to detect any traces of TCA.



DYNAVOX[®]

All raw materials are subject to intense steam and pressure and submerged in clean water, through our Dynavox[®] system, so as to remove any unwanted substances from the innermost part of the cork. This thoroughly eliminates microorganisms in a natural way. Anisols such as TCA are reduced, along with other odor-causing compounds and tannins and phenols precursors of anisols, thus improving the thickness and the elasticity of cork.

MASZONE[®]

Our Maszone[®] system uses not only ozone, but also the most powerful peroxone, a combination of ozone and hydrogen peroxide, to disinfect and clean cork stoppers. The solution eliminates microorganisms and its spores, while oxidizing organic impurities and compounds, such as phenols and anisols, which could signal the existence of unwanted and odors. The Maszone[®] system also improves the cork's visual appearance.

SARA[®]

The SARA[®] process uses controlled steam and pressure to expel the TCA and other volatile compounds from the cork granules. We use this process to ensure high quality in Silktop[®] products and sparkling wine stoppers, as well as Pearl[®] micro-agglomerate stoppers.

SARA ADVANCED[®]

This innovative technology was developed for cleaning and sterilizing natural cork stoppers. The process consists in using controlled steam, temperature and pressure to expel the TCA and other volatile compounds from natural corks, allowing high quality in the treatment.



OUR PRODUCTS



NATURAL

They can and should be used in all types of wines, regardless of the rotation time of the wines and the shape of the bottle. We can supply FSC® certified products (FSC - C009204) upon request.



SPARKLING WINE

MASILVA cork stoppers are used for some of the world's best sparkling wines. Sparkling wine presents challenges in terms of stoppers, which have to be able to withstand higher pressures while maintaining consistency and the specified insertion and extraction forces.



SILKTOP® 1+1

Silktop® are mainly manufactured for entry level wines, which could benefit from short-term aging (three to four years). This is a technically advanced product, properly sealing bottles containing wine of considerable value.



PEARL®

Consumers can appreciate the appearance and the feel of natural cork with our Pearl® micro- agglomerate. Pearl® stoppers show our continuous commitment toward sustainability and the value chain of the product. The cork shavings, following the punching of natural cork stoppers, are carefully selected, processed and reduced to uniformly-sized particles through a number of mechanical operations. These particles will be subjected to a vaporization and sterilization process through our SARA® system. Only food-grade glues are used.



EVACORK®

A colmated natural cork stopper that meets the winemaker's challenge of maintaining the attractiveness of the wine with a natural cork stopper and of being very competitive in price. We can supply FSC® certified products (FSC - C009204) upon request.



BARTOP®

The Bartop is a natural cork stopper with a wide range of different caps in wood, plastic and other materials, designed for bottling wines and spirits. The Bar Top grade may be produced from natural, colmated or agglomerated cork and is used in wines and spirits for immediate consumption.



PRODUCTION FLOW










RAW MATERIAL

-  **CORK OAK STRIPPING**
Cork planks are stripped from cork oak trees
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**
-  **YARD STABILIZATION**
Planks are stored from 6 to 9 months on a concrete floor.
-  **BOILING | DYNAVOX®DYNAVOX® SYSTEM**
Planks are sterilized and disinfected through a vaporized pressure system.
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**
-  **STABILIZATION AFTER BOILING**
Stabilization period after vaporization
-  **CORK PLANKS SORTING FOR PRODUCTIONS**
First sorting of planks for production










NATURAL CORK STOPPERS

-  **CORK PLANK CUTTING**
Planks are cut into strips
-  **PUNCHING**
Punching of cork strips
-  **STERILIZATION | SARA ADVANCED® SYSTEM**
Natural cork stoppers are vaporized and sterilized
-  **PRE-DRYING**
First moisture level definition
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**

TECHNICAL CORKS STOPPERS

-  **STERILIZATION | SARA®SYSTEM**
Cork granules are vaporized and sterilized
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**
-  **AGLOMERATION**
Production of agglomerated bodies
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**
-  **DISC PRODUCTION**
Thinner strips of cork are punched for disc purposes
-  **STERILIZATION | SARA ADVANCED® SYSTEM**
Natural cork discs are vaporized and sterilized
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**
-  **GLUING**
Assembly of agglomerated bodies and discs with grade glue
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**

PRODUCTION

-  **CORRECTION OF SIZES**
Precise correction of corks sizes
-  **WASHING | MASZONE®SYSTEM**
Washing and sterilization
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**
-  **DRYING**
Final moisture definition
-  **SORTING**
Cork sorting according to visual quality
-  **PRINTING**
Customized printing on stoppers
-  **FINAL TREATMENT**
To facilitate the bottling process
-  **GC / MS TCA CONTROL**
-  **PACKAGING**
According to specifications



CERTIFICATIONS



The mark of responsible forestry
Look for FSC certified products

FSC® CERTIFICATION

In reply to concerns about global deforestation, the Forest Stewardship Council® was established to increase responsible management of forests worldwide. M. A. SILVA - Cortiças, S.A. is certified under code number SA-COC-002297, for natural and colmated stoppers.



ISO9001 AND ISO22000 CERTIFICATION

MASILVA is ISO9001 certified, recognizing the efforts made by the organization in assuring the standards of products and services, satisfaction of customers and continuous improvement. MASILVA is the first ever Portuguese cork company to obtain the ISO2000 certification in 2005, showing the market that it has implemented a food safety management system capable of providing safe high quality products.



SYSTECODE PREMIUM CERTIFICATION

The Systecode Premier Certification has been awarded to MASILVA, according to the highest sector demands.



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AWARDS



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