

Press release

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First investment in SIG filling technology by renowned wine producer **South Africa: Namaqua Wines chooses SIG as preferred carton packaging supplier**

Namaqua Wines, one of the largest wine producers in the Southern Hemisphere, has chosen to partner with SIG as its preferred carton packaging supplier for its low alcohol wine selection. This is the first time the Namaqua company has invested in its own filling machine for aseptic carton packs, having previously used a co-packer to fill its wines.

Located on the west coast of South Africa, and with a passion for producing exceptional wines, Namaqua Wines is a pioneer in the country's wine industry, with a focus on sustainability and innovation. The company has opted for a SIG Slimline Aseptic filling machine and has already started filling its wide range of low alcohol wines into SIG SlimlineBloc 1,000 ml carton packs.

Namaqua is convinced that with this modern and fresh product and packaging concept, it will help to meet growing consumer demands and also boost its business.

Gabor Rapolthy, Head of Marketing and Analytics at Namaqua Wines: "By investing for the first time in our very own filling technology for aseptic carton packs, we aim to set the course for further growth, starting with our low alcohol wine range. We've been producing wines for more

than 75 years and have the fastest growing wine brand in South Africa for the past two years with our Raindance brand. Our close partnership with SIG will help us to continue our robust growth, increase production volume, and expand our presence in the South African market even further.”

South Africa is renowned for wine production and Namaqua Wines has established itself as an outstanding brand that consistently delivers exquisite wines. By utilizing its expertise in winemaking and working with local winemakers, Namaqua ensures its wines reflect the unique richness and characteristics of the region. Its winery offers a diverse portfolio, catering to a wide range of tastes and usage occasions. According to Namaqua Wines, they produce almost one in six liters of wine in South Africa.

Abdelghany Eladib, President & General Manager India, Middle East and Africa at SIG:

“SIG has been established in South Africa for many decades and this new investment by Namaqua Wines is another step forward for us in the country. As a leading supplier of carton packaging for wine in South Africa, we’re looking forward to growing our partnership with Namaqua, starting with its low alcohol wine selection.”

Over the last year alone, Namaqua has received awards for its Shiraz, Pinotage, Sauvignon Blanc, Red Muscadel and Hanepoot Jerepigo wines – including awards from Gilbert & Gilbert, Veritas, and Platter.

About SIG

SIG is a leading solutions provider of packaging for better – better for our customers, for consumers, and for the world. With our unique portfolio of aseptic carton, bag-in-box, and spouted pouch, we work in partnership with our customers to bring food and beverage products to consumers around the world in a safe, sustainable, and affordable way. Our technology and outstanding innovation capabilities enable us to provide our customers with versatile packaging systems and solutions for innovative products and smart operations, all to address the ever-changing needs of consumers. Sustainability is integral to our business and guides us on our journey to create packaging for better – packaging that gives more to people and the planet than it takes out.

Founded in 1853, SIG is headquartered in Neuhausen, Switzerland, and is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange. The skills and experience of our approximately 9,000 employees worldwide enable us to respond quickly and effectively to the needs of our customers in over 100 countries. In 2023, SIG produced 53 billion packs and generated €3.2 billion in revenue. SIG also has an AA ESG rating by MSCI, a 13.9 (low risk) score by Sustainalytics, Platinum CSR rating by EcoVadis, and is included in the FTSE4Good Index. For more information, visit our [website](#).

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