

"The new packaging line ensures a gentle filling of the fragile walnuts and boosts shelf life."



PRIMA NOCE PACKING LINDEN (US)

Tim Sambado Managing Director

PRIMA NOCE PACKING is located in the heart of California's nut growing area, Linden. It is a family owned company with a long history growing, processing and packing walnuts, cherries and apples for domestic and export use. In the recently expanded facility in Linden, they have invested extensively in the latest technology and plant design to produce the freshest, most consistent and shell-free walnuts

"Using the latest technology to produce high quality premium walnuts, we also required a flexible and high quality solution to gently pack walnuts into lined boxes." said Tim Sambado.

"Pattyn Packing Lines, with its proven bag inserting technology could deliver us the appropriate solution according to our needs regarding bag lining and vacuum / gas flush sealing at high speeds. The line includes a case erector, Flexim-21 bag inserting machine, filler with shaking system, DS-22-HE vacuum heat sealer with 2 sealing stations, case closer and metal detector, reaching a speed of 12 cases / min."

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"The line has now been running since 2011 and we are very satisfied with the results:

- The leakproof block bottom bags are lined perfectly, without being pulled in during filling
- Using the 45° cross seals, it creates approximately 2% more space for product in the box
- The bag inserter handles both normal HDPE film and 3 mil high barrier film with long term shelf life stability

- The bag in box concept allows the use of a direct filling system which gently handles the fragile walnuts with a maximum drop height below 15", enhancing the product quality
- The bag sealer combines hermetic heat sealing, vacuum packing and gas flushing for extended product shelf life" explained Tim Sambado.

"Additionally the DS-22-HE features a tool-free changeover of the vacuum probe for quick and easy cleaning and reduced downtime", concluded Tim Sambado.

Watch the video at https://vimeo.com/62330061



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PRODUCT & CONTAINERS

• Premium walnut halves packed into poly bag lined 25-30 lbs boxes

CHALLENGE

- To gently pack the fragile walnuts at high capacity
- To extend product shelf lifes

RESULTS

- Enhanced product quality
- Increased capacity of 12 cases / min
- Extended product shelf life
- Perfectly sealed bags