



Sustainability Statement

CANTON WOOD PRODUCTS COMPANY, LLC.

Canton's goal is to provide top quality wine barrels to our worldwide customers, that enable them to maximize their winemaking results with the proper blend of oak and wine. Customer and employee satisfaction, commitment to excellence, integrity, environmental stewardship, a safe workplace, and shareholder return, are integral to that goal.

Canton's sustainability strategy is to meet the needs of the present without compromising the future, by balancing and integrating social responsibility, environmental stewardship, and economic performance.

To fulfill that commitment, Canton seeks continuous improvement in the following areas:

Global Performance

- Our barrels are made with 100% natural ingredients; pesticide-free.
- Producing top quality barrels, yielding consistent results time after time.
- Hand-selecting the finest oak under the strictest of specifications.
- HACCP food-safety certified comprehensive procedures and testing to ensure contamination free barrels.
- Full traceability, from wood source to finished barrel.
- Independently certified, all natural air seasoning/aging of wood; using no energy, watering or artificial seasoning.
- Our R&D staff continually search for quality and wood consumption improvements.

Environment

- Utilization of over 99% of the wood purchased, thereby eliminating waste.
- Improving recycling year after year reducing the impact on the environment.
- Minimizing energy consumption.
- Monitored compliance with all environmental regulations.
- Canton contributes a portion of its sales revenue to the replanting of native trees in U.S. forests through American Forests' Global ReLeaf Program.

Personnel

- Providing long-term employment opportunities with competitive wages and benefits.
- Developing competences in cooperating and servicing the wine industry.
- Instilling values, ethics, transparency, fairness, solidarity, and fulfillment in our employee practices.
- Pro-actively maintaining a safe work environment.



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