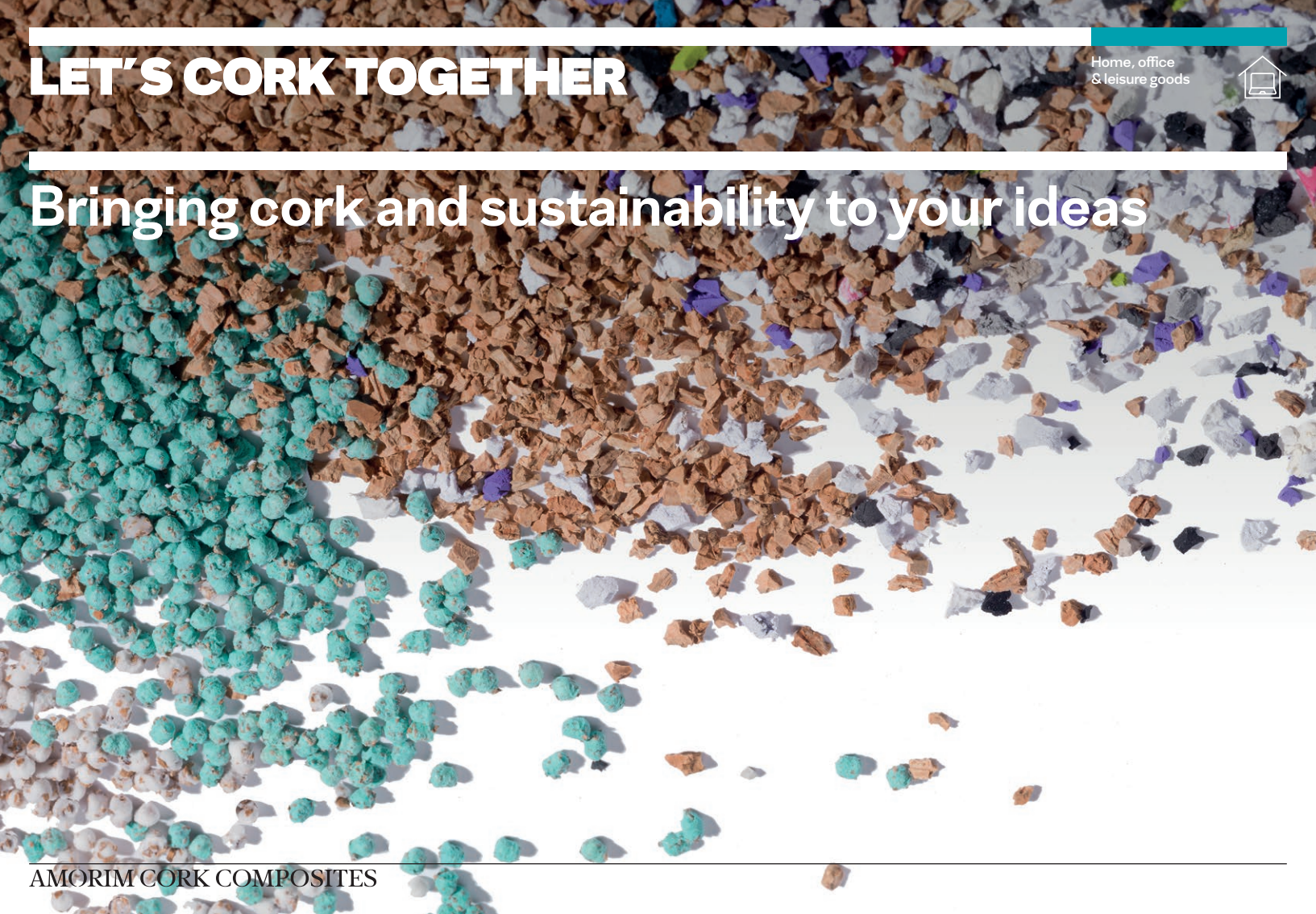
LET'S CORK TOGETHER

Home, office
& leisure goods

Bringing cork and sustainability to your ideas



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Amorim Cork Composites researches, develops and manufactures sustainable and high-performance cork composite solutions for applications in multiple industries such as aerospace, mobility, sealing, energy, construction, sports surfaces, flooring, consumer goods, furnishing, and footwear.

Our mission: to add value to cork, in a competitive, differentiating and innovative manner, in perfect harmonywith Nature.

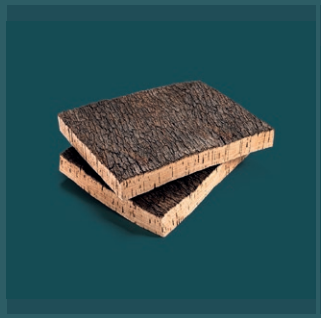
We are global leaders in cork

Amorim Cork Composites is part of Corticeira Amorim, which holds a consolidated worldwide leadership position in five main areas: raw materials, cork stoppers, composites, flooring and wall coverings, and insulation.

Corticeira Amorim has made an unparalleled investment in research, innovation, and design, developing a portfolio of products and solutions with high added value that anticipate market trends and exceed the expectations of some of the most demanding industries worldwide.

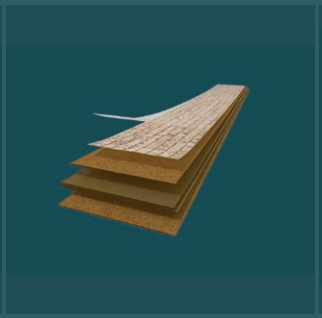
2021 Turnover

AMORIM



Raw materials
191.5 M€

Cork stoppers
593.3 M€



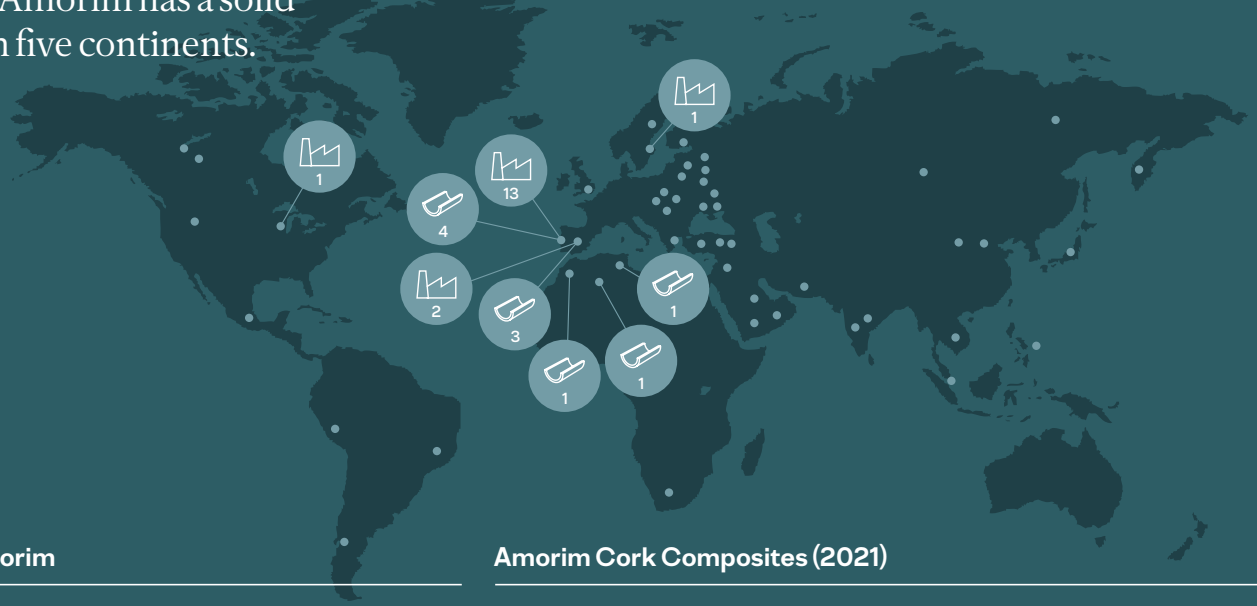
Floor and wall coverings
123.2 M€

Cork composites
116.7 M€

Insulation cork
14.5 M€

Corticeira Amorim's worldwide presence

Corticeira Amorim has a solid position on five continents.



Corticeira Amorim

17 INDUSTRIAL PLANTS

10 CORK RAW MATERIAL PREPARATION PLANTS

56 DISTRIBUTION COMPANIES | **12** JOINT VENTURES

Amorim Cork Composites (2021)

+500 APPLICATIONS • PRODUCTS

SALES IN **+83** COUNTRIES

OVER **1,800** CUSTOMERS

+30,000 TONS OF CORK CONSUMED PER YEAR

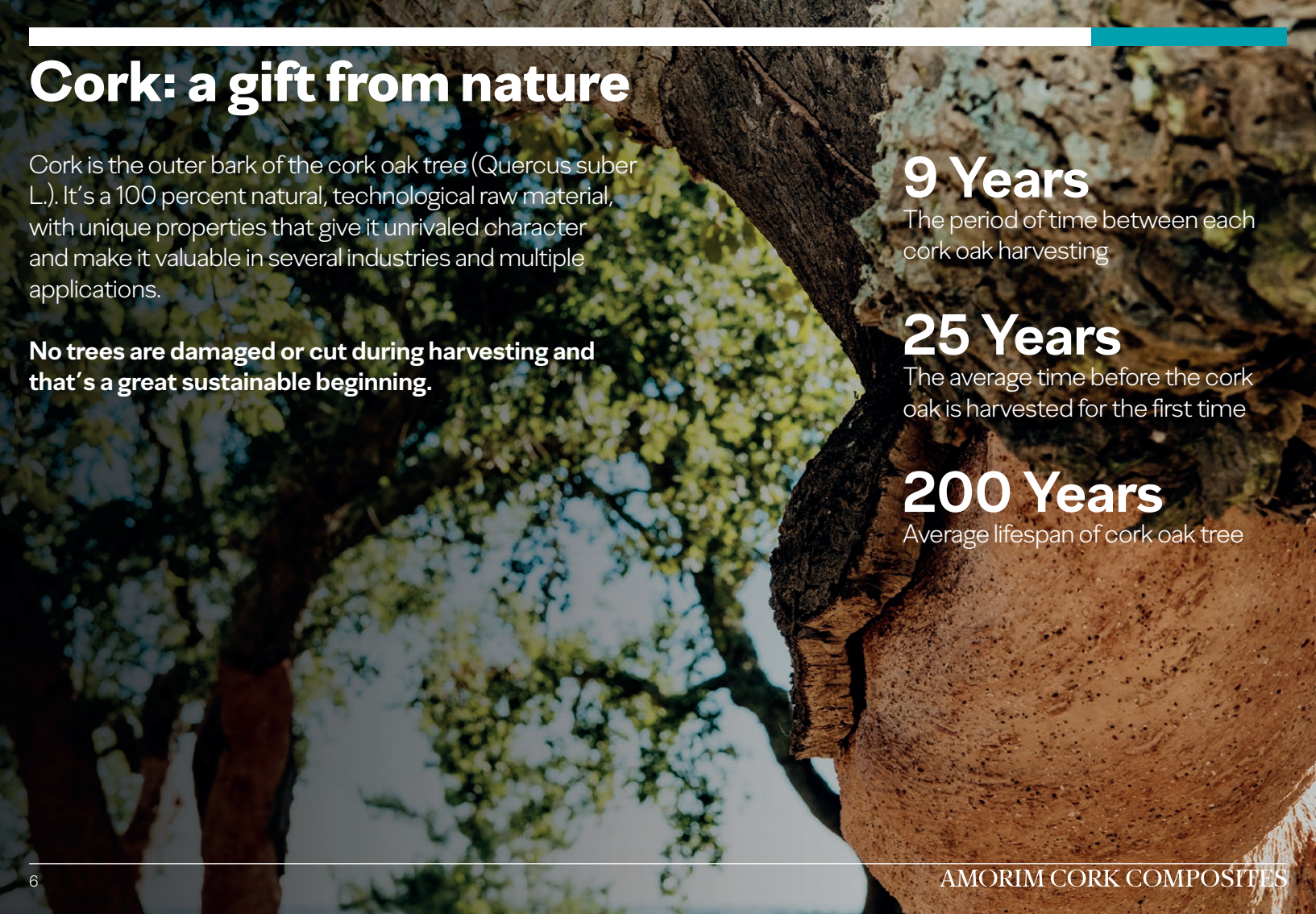
+40,000 CYLINDERS PRODUCED PER YEAR

+200,000 BLOCKS PRODUCED PER YEAR

Cork: a gift from nature

Cork is the outer bark of the cork oak tree (Quercus suber L.). It's a 100 percent natural, technological raw material, with unique properties that give it unrivaled character and make it valuable in several industries and multiple applications.

No trees are damaged or cut during harvesting and that's a great sustainable beginning.



9 Years

The period of time between each cork oak harvesting

25 Years

The average time before the cork oak is harvested for the first time

200 Years

Average lifespan of cork oak tree

Cork's main features

100% natural, reusable and recyclable

Resistance to fire and high temperatures

Hypoallergenic

Resistance to friction

Thermal insulation

Lightness and buoyancy

Impermeability to liquids and gases

Acoustic insulation

Elasticity and compressibility

Soft touch

The cork oak forest: a hotspot of life

The Montado (cork oak forest) is the basis of a biodiversity-generating ecosystem where the roots of the future are planted.

Cork oak forest is part of one of the 36 most important ecosystems in the world for preserving biodiversity - on par with the Amazon, the African Savanna and Borneo. They support a unique and fragile ecology which constitutes a habitat for rare and endangered species.

Benefits of the cork oak

- Prevents soil degradation
- Regulates the hydrological cycle
- Fights desertification
- Absorbs and stores carbon dioxide over very long periods of time
- Fights climate change
- Generates high levels of biodiversity

Cork, a natural CO_2 retainer

Cork oak forests are important natural CO_2 sinks. They make a key contribution to the air we breathe because they capture CO_2 which would otherwise be released into the atmosphere. It is estimated that for every ton of cork produced, cork oak forests can sequester up to 73 tons of CO_2.

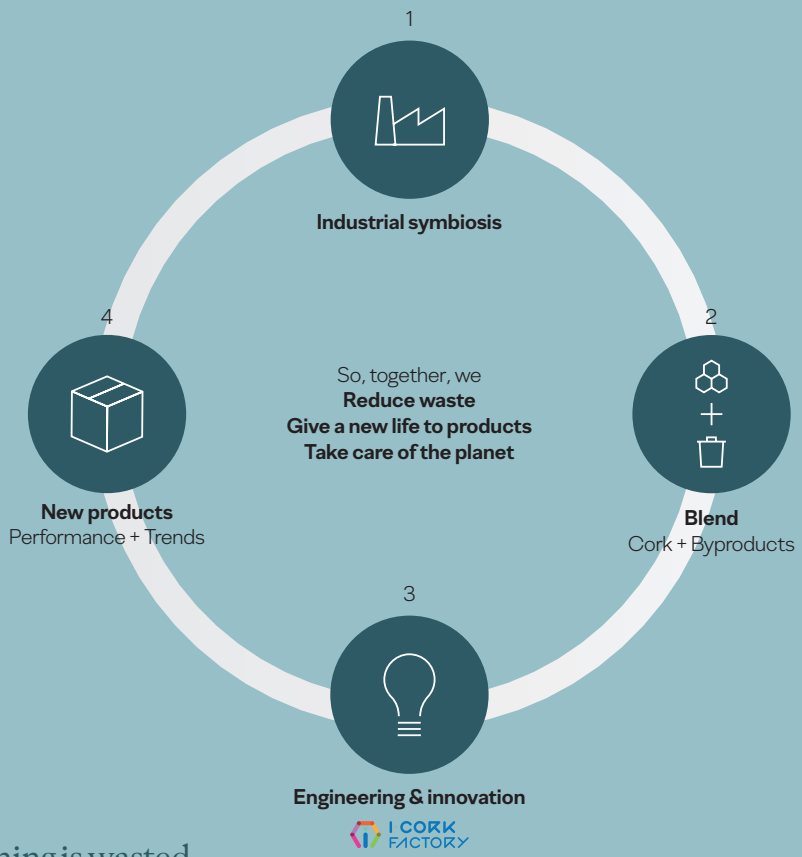
* Source: https://www.apcor.pt/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Brochura_Ambiente__EN.pdf

Circular Economy

New, innovative and performative products from the circular economy are arising.

With cork at the core, blended with other materials, that are waste from other industries (industrial symbiosis), we give materials a new life by creating new products while taking care of the planet.

Over 60% of the company's energy needs are met by using Biomass (cork dust).



Nothing is wasted.
Everything is valued.

Researching, developing and innovating for the future

New products, new markets, new applications, and creating an added value for cork and its characteristics are our development drivers.

i.cork factory was founded to respond to the growing process of creation. It is where our new products are devised in response to current market trends and needs.

Using different materials (thermoplastics, resins, foams, rubbers, natural & synthetic fibers...) and new technologies we challenge ourselves every day to find new and disruptive solutions.

Grinding & mixing
Grinding & mixing technologies to address very different materials sourced from the circular economy.

Lamination
Lamination to address real multilayered materials and panels.

Compounding & extrusion
Materials compounding, dry blends and pelletizing.

Materials by design
Simulation and virtual testing of new materials – simulation lab.

Mixing & rubber processing
Cork rubber materials development.

Molding & shaping
Thermoforming, injection molding, machining and 3D printing.

I·CORK FACTORY

Boosted by our innovation DNA

We are constantly developing new products with innovative formulae that blend cork with other materials.

That's why we have created Cork Inside, a seal that assures that cork is present in the optimal amount in our products, rigorously tested by Amorim Cork Composites' innovation and engineering teams.

Even if cork isn't completely visible, this 100% natural and recyclable material with unique technical properties is there creating value and differentiation.

BY **AMORIM** THE WORLD LEADER IN CORK

CORK INSIDE®

The **Cork Inside** seal guarantees that the product contains cork in the optimal amount, giving the required performance.

Cork at the service of design and sustainability

Home, Office & Leisure Goods

At Amorim Cork Composites, we put our experience and knowledge about cork and the various ways of working it at the service of creativity.

We support designers and technical experts from the home, office and leisure goods industry in designing pieces in which cork makes the difference.

ACC Design Studio

The ACC Design Studio is a space for innovation and creativity where cork and design meet.

We have a multidisciplinary and specialized team prepared to support the development of cork-based new products and creative projects that explore the appearance and functionalities of this material.

Our main goal is to enable our customers' design concepts to materialize with cork as the raw material of choice, while meeting the technical requirements of the application.

Type of materials

Cork

Cork is the bark of the cork oak *(Quercus Suber L.)*. 100% natural, renewable, reusable and recyclable, cork is, whether from an environmental, social or economic point of view, that can be used in various processes and sectors.

Circular Economy

We combine cork with other surplus raw materials from other industries that would otherwise be landfilled, causing high environmental impact. We incorporate the ideal amount of cork, ensuring a response to market demands while continuing to take care of nature.

CPCs (cork-polymer composites)

CPCs are a range of cork composites that combine the adaptability of polymers and the lightness and sustainability of cork. We use bio-based polymers derived from recycled resources, developing sustainable and versatile solutions.

Agglomerated cylinders

Characteristics

- Dimension width: 0.78 x 1.37 m
- Wide range of thicknesses: up to 10 mm
- Wide range of densities: 140–400 kg/m^3
- Wide range of cork patterns
- Different grain sizes
- High flexibility

Agglomerated blocks

Characteristics

- Dimensions: 920 x 620 mm and 1000 x 500 mm
- Wide range of thicknesses: 0.8–200 mm
- Wide range of densities: 140–600 kg/m^3
- Wide range of cork patterns
- Different grain sizes

Most common references · Cork materials

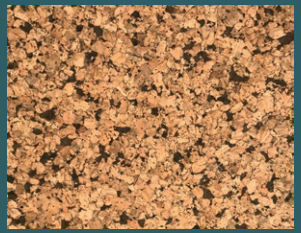

8003


8240


8405


8703


8749


9001


9430


8224

5084

5923

Most common references · CPCs

N600

P100

P200

P302

P304

R101

Our main technologies and process

CNC Machining

CNC machining is a technological process that makes it possible to create complex 3D structures with very precise and high-quality finishes. Applied to cork, it originates decorative and utility pieces that combine aesthetics and the softness of shapes.

Characteristics

- Allows more complex shapes than milling
- Best surface finishing with small size granules
- Suitable for high/mid density materials
- High-tech process
- 5-axis machining

Compression moulding

For more demanding formats, we have developed a special cork formula that can be molded to create complex shapes. Compression molding allows for faster production cycles than CNC machining and is suitable for large-scale production.

Characteristics

- Maximum height: 95 mm
- Minimum wall thickness: 7 mm
- Complex geometries possible with minimal material waste
- Faster production cycle than machining
- Refined grain size is used (0.5-1mm)
- Mostly suitable for high quantities (requires investment in molds)

Lamination

Lamination is a technique widely used in the furniture industry in which cork is used to cover several structures. It is thus possible to associate the appearance of cork with the robustness and resistance of the material that serves as its structure.

Characteristics

- Available in sheets and rolls
- Customizes layer thickness
- High efficiency process
- East gluing (wood, textiles and foams)
- Possible to combine cork with rigid and flexible surfaces
- High resistance & low weight
- Possible to associate multi-materials
- Suitable for acoustic/thermal applications remaining natural

Board on Frame

Board on frame structures are coated with cork on the outer sides and have an inner structure in honeycomb cardboard. This technique allows producing pieces of furniture and other very stable, resistant and lighter home and office goods.

Characteristics

- Lightweight
- Rigid surface
- Possible to work with a wide range of geometries
- Core with a honeycomb structure
- Stiff Surface layers
- Compatibility with other materials (ex: metal, wood, etc)

Finishes

Cork is a natural material with unique sensory attributes such as its appearance and soft touch. To protect it from external elements such as humidity, abrasion and stains, we suggest several coating solutions that respect these properties and make goods produced with cork very resistant and durable.

Possible to apply:

- Varnish
- Painting

How do we produce CPCs?

Raw Materials Preparation
Our raw materials and dryer

Compounding

CPCs

Virgin polymer & cork

- Reduce amount of synthetic polymers used by incorporation of cork
- Keep the properties of the prime materials
- Reduce density of final material by cork incorporation
- Process: Blow Molding Extrusion

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