

GUALA CLOSURES, THE WORLD LEADER IN SPECIALTY CLOSURES, RENEWS ITS OFFICIAL SPONSORSHIP OF WINE PARIS & VINEXPO PARIS 2022 EXHIBITION

For the second time since the creation of Wine Paris & Vinexpo Paris, Guala Closures will be an official sponsor of the international wine exhibition. Such unique presence at the show will be an opportunity to present the company's latest sustainable and connected innovative product ranges (Stand G-181, Hall 3).

Milan, 14th February 2022 - Guala Closures, a world leading manufacturer of aluminium and specialty closures, will present its latest innovations at the Wine Paris & Vinexpo Paris 2022 exhibition, which will take place from 14 to 16 February at the Paris Expo Porte de Versailles. Guala Closures is an official partner, and an exclusive packaging sponsor of the global wine and spirits industry's first major international event of 2022.

By renewing its official sponsorship with the Wine Paris & Vinexpo Paris for the 2022 edition, Guala Closures continues its commitment in supporting wine and spirits producers on the French market with adapted solutions and technological innovations. Among the Group's latest innovations for the wine sector, Guala Closures will reveal a wide variety of screwcaps, including a new version of the Savin Premium model - manufactured in Poland for the European market - with increased technical performance. As the exclusive packaging sponsor of the show, Guala Closures will be in Hall 3 (Stand G-181), the section dedicated to Bordeaux wines, fine wines and spirits "BE SPIRITS".

"The renewal of our sponsorship with the Wine Paris & Vinexpo Paris is testimony to the privileged relationship that we have forged over the years with the wine and spirits sector. Over the past two years, we have continued and even increased our research and development of new products for the wine and spirits industry. We are pleased to present these products at the Wine Paris & Vinexpo Paris" explains Violette Montagnese, Group Marketing Director for Guala Closures Group.

Guala Closures will present the latest addition to its range of NěSTGATETM connected closures: a closure with a digital tamper-evident system. This *T-bar* closure is equipped with a single-chip NFC, an unprecedented technological system which makes it possible to detect if the closure has been opened and sends a message when the chip is read (via a platform accessible by smartphone). The new smart NFC single-chip solution offering certified security and an innovative tamper



evidence detection, turning the tag into a passive sensing device, able to detect a physical product's unauthorized opening.

Among the Group's new products, Guala Closures will be exhibiting **Blossom**®, a full range of **sustainable closures** for wines and spirits. The Blossom range of sustainable closures uses a vast array of different recycled and/or recyclable materials, from aluminium to agave fibres, cork and bio-based plastic. A case in point: **Opera Blossom**, a *T-bar* stopper designed for luxury spirits, features a closure made of wood, cork and recycled ABS plastic.

Additionally, Guala Closures France's production site located in Chambray-lès-Tours (Indre-et-Loire) has just obtained the ISCC Plus certification issued by Bureau Veritas, which will allow it to offer sustainable screwcaps certified as "circular packaging" and "circular bioeconomy packaging" in accordance with a mass balance approach.

About Guala Closures Group

The Guala Closures group employs more than 4,850 people and has 30 production plants on 5 continents. Its products are marketed in more than 100 countries. The Group sells 17 billion closures each year, with a turnover of 572 million euros in 2020. With its policy of commercial development and permanent technological innovation, the group is recognized as a world leader in the production of tamper-evident closures for spirits. It is a leading manufacturer of aluminium caps for spirits, wines and beverages.

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