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SYSPRO 8 helps Empire Nuts manage strong growth

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Empire Nuts

Established in: 2005 Company size:

Customer Profile

Since its inception in 2005, the Empire Nuts group of companies has grown to become one of the largest and most diverse edible nut and dried fruit businesses in South Africa. It is headquartered in Midrand, Gauteng, with a branch in Cape Town.

Their Business Challenge

The exceptional growth experienced by Empire Nuts has brought with it substantial challenges. As a long-term SYSPRO customer, Empire Nuts identified a need to optimize the capabilities of its SYSPRO solution and that an upgrade would smooth its digital transformation journey to the cloud. The company also needed to bring multiple ad hoc processes into one fully-integrated solution.

The Solution

Empire Nuts upgraded from SYSPRO 7 to SYSPRO 8 in October 2021, taking the opportunity to integrate all its processes, from warehouse production to creating bills of material and inventory, into this single solution.

The Outcome

SYSPRO 8 has become integral to Empire Nuts' ability to managing inventory and stock production, trace items during food safety audits, maintain the integrity of its data and security access, and enhance productivity.



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Managing strong growth

Empire Nuts began exporting products in 2008, and has been sourcing products from several other countries since 2010. This, combined with the development of the South African nut industry, has contributed to strong growth. In the past couple of years alone, its production facility and warehouse space have both doubled in size.

"Empire Nuts is still a family business, but we are growing at a phenomenal rate," says Amy Maree, Financial Controller of Empire Nuts. "We are grateful for the success, particularly in these harsh economic times, but it comes with challenges. This is why we have several projects on the go simultaneously, and the fully-integrated nature of SYSPRO is key to bringing everything together and making it work.

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With multiple projects lined up for development, Empire Nuts embarked on a program of general business process reengineering which in turn sparked a digital transformation journey. A major milestone on this journey was one of the biggest projects of 2021, the implementation of a scanning solution in its warehouses.

Reaping the rewards of full integration

In addition to having several projects running in parallel, Empire Nuts had a high number of ad hoc processes which needed to be

integrated into one system: SYSPRO.

Today, Empire Nuts has 1200 registered debtor accounts on SYSPRO and uses the solution across its business from production in the warehouse to the creation of Bills of Material, all its inventory processes and the end-to-end finance function.

"Having a common repository is critical, so a fully-integrated ERP system is a huge plus for us," Maree says.





Implementation Partner

Solutus Consulting



Solutus Consulting offers turnkey solutions and services from design to implementation, development, support and upgrades. As a specialist in SYSPRO support and implementation, Solutus tailors solutions to meet client-specific requirements. It also integrates third-party software into SYSPRO, bringing corporations closer to their business and customers.

About SYSPRO

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