## Packaging for the Roaster

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### **OVERVIEW**

- What does packaging do?
- Packaging format options
- What is barrier packaging?
- Barrier packaging materials
- One-way degassing valve
- Filling and sealing equipment
- To print or not to print... (Custom Printing)
- Sustainable packaging: are we there yet?
- Single serve

# WHAT SHOULD PACKAGING DO FOR YOUR COFFEE?

- Contains
- Preserves
- Protects
- Displays
- Promotes & Sells



### PACKAGING FORMAT OPTIONS

## What types of packaging are available?

- Barrier Valve Bags
- Paper Bags
- Poly/Metalized Bags
- Cardboard Can
- Tins
- Glass Jars
- Single Serve Cups



### THE PAPER BAG

- Short Term Storage of Coffee
- Typically lined to keep oil from 'wicking'
- Built in Re-closure (Tin-Tie)
- Eco Friendly options
  - PLA Plastic (Corn)
  - Paper Liner
  - Typical Size Range: 8oz~5lb
- Price Range: \$ 0.09~0.25
- Customized via: Print, Hot Stamp, Label, Ink Stamp



### THE POLY BAG/THE OCS BAG





- Poly Bag
  - Short term & local delivery of coffee
  - Closed via twist tie / Pinhole
  - Typical Size: 5lb
  - Aprox Price: \$ 0.25
- OCS / Frac Pac
  - Thin Material
  - Ground Coffee
  - Single Serve
  - Institutional
  - Typically requires VFFS to make efficiently
  - Typical size range 1.25oz ~2.5lb
  - Aprox Price: \$ 0.03~\$0.25

### THE FOIL GUSSETED VALVE BAG

- Long Term Storage of Coffee
- Foil for Barrier
- Valve
- No built in re-closure
- Typical Size Range: 2oz~5lb
- Price Range: \$0.12~0.68
- Customized via: Print, Hot Stamp,
   Label
- Variations
  - Quad, BBB, Clear, Natural Kraft

### THE BLOCK BOTTOM BAG

- Long Term Storage of Coffee
- Foil for Barrier
- Valve
- Re-closure options (tin-tie and pocket zip)
- Typical Sizes: 8oz, 16oz, 2lb and 5lb
- Price Range- \$0.30-\$0.80
- Several customization options available (different side panels, front panels, etc.)

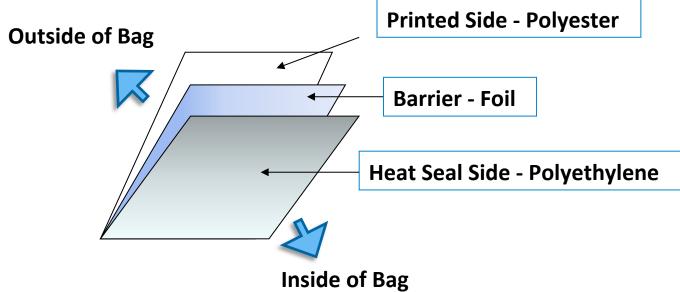


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### BARRIER VALVE BAGS



- Made of two or more layers
- Materials are combined to create "specific" performance.
- Materials are bonded together with adhesives or plastic.

### ONE-WAY DEGASSING VALVE

- Established 20+ years ago
- Allows an airtight package
- CO2 escapes and O2 is kept at bay
- Ensures freshness & flavor. Bags don't "blow up"
- Stops oxidation



### HOW THE VALVE WORKS...

#### **Closed**

When there is **equal** pressure inside & outside...

 $no O_2 in$ 



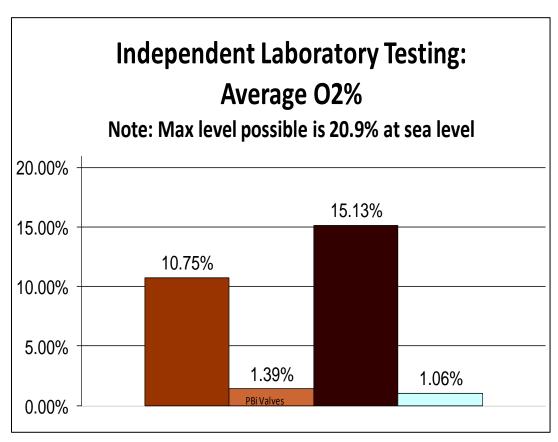
#### **Open**

When there is <u>higher</u> pressure inside the bag vs. the outside...

#### **Gas Out**



# ERRATIC VALVES – AN "INVISIBLE" PROBLEM



- There are valves on the market that do not perform
- Specialty/niche roasters risk loss of flavor and aroma if valves are dysfunctional
- The problem, Oxygen, is invisible
- Use valves from a proven, trusted supplier

# FILLING & SEALING EQUIPMENT MANUAL

### Common Tools of the Roaster:



The Scoop



The Scale



The Jaw Sealer

# FILLING AND SEALING EQUIPMENT SEMI-AUTOMATED

Rotary Band Sealer
Will keep up W&F Machine

Weigh & Fill Machine

Avg. 8-15 BPM

1 machine = 2mm lbs / annual

Vacuum, Flush & Seal

Machine

Reduce Residual O2

Does not increase line

speed but does reduce O2

levels



# FILLING & SEALING EQUIPMENT HIGH SPEED AUTOMATED



#### Automatic Fill & Seal Machine

- Uses premade bags
- Increase output 3-4 times
- Faster change over than FFS



Form, Fill & Seal Machine

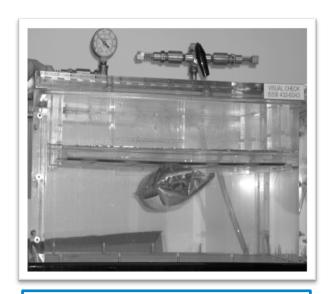
- Increase output 4-5 times
- Reduces labor costs
- Reduces package material cost 20-30%
- Requires mechanical/electrical expertise
- F/F/S prices range from \$50k to over \$500k

### TESTING PACKAGING INTEGRITY

- Constant QC Tests (Cupping)
- Random Package Integrity Tests
- Residual Oxygen Testing



Headspace Analyzer (Approx \$ 3K)



Pressurized Water Tank Or 5
Gallon Bucket of Water

### MARKETING: RETAIL



#### Formats:

- Side Gusseted Bags
- Quad Seal Bags
- Block Bottom Bags
- Stand-Up Pouch
- Paper Tin-Tie

#### Trends:

- Convenience Features
- Simple/Clean Art
- Muted/Natural Colors
- Matte Finishes
- 12oz or less

### **GOING CUSTOM**

Minimum order = 3.5mmsi ~ 30,000 12 oz. bags

- How many do you need in the next 9-12 months?
- How much do I want to spend?
- How quickly do I need it?
- What am I trying to project?





# SUSTAINABILITY: ARE WE THERE YET?



If a product is manufactured from a renewable resource, but in the process the earth is left with a permanent deficit *un-payable* by the next generation, that process is not sustainable.

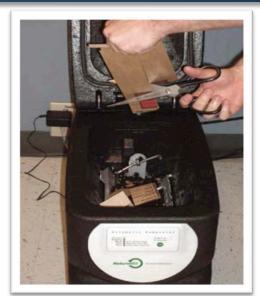
It is the goal and desire is to supply packaging that makes the world a better place to live without depleting it of irreplaceable natural resources. That's how we define sustainable packaging and we feel we owe it to future generations to strive toward this.

# SHORT TERM SUSTAINABLE PACKAGING

#### PLA (Polylactic Acid)

- Made from sugar in corn starch
- Film is clear and crispy
- Standard paper/plastic package with a wire tin-tie is not biodegradable or recyclable

 Paper/PLA tin-tie bag shows promise without significant added cost Composting Trials at PBi DAY 1





Composting Trials at PBi DAY 10

### BIOTRE BARRIER PACKAGING





After 89 Days
This is the 40% portion that can be easily removed from the composter.



After 101 Days

- Biodegradable, heat sealable, barrier material
- Biotrē film is made from 60% (by weight) renewable wood pulp and is biodegradable
- The remaining 40% of the bag is Polyethylene (PE) from fossil fuels with an additive that is designed to make it breakdown over five to ten years
- Formats: Stand-Up Pouches, Block Bottom Bags, Side Gusseted Bags
- Certified by:
  - Industrial Composting norms
  - EN13432
  - ASTM D6400
  - OK Compost's Home Composting



# Thank you! Questions?

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