





SILKTOP® cork stoppers represent a combination between the strictness of sealing and the best properties of natural cork stoppers.

Throughout the production process, our cork stoppers are moulded using cutting-edge technology, naturally guaranteeing the best quality for M.A.SILVA technical stoppers. M.A.SILVA's portfolio has different SILKTOP® cork stoppers, with different technical specifications.

# **TECHNOLOGIES**



**DYNAVOX®**Raw material sterilization and vaporization



**SARA ADVANCED®**Extraction of volatiles and sensory standardization



**NEOTECH®**Sterilisation and vaporisation of granules



MASZONE® Elimination of microorganisms





### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

SIZES

Length Diameter Standard sizes Nominal  $\pm$  0,5 mm Nominal + 0.3 mm 39x23,5 mm | 44x23,5 mm **FUNCTIONAL** 

Stopper extraction forces Sealing capacity Torsion Shear stress

15daN<Fe<45daN No leaks at 2 bar ≥ 35° > 6 daN/cm2

PHYSICAL

Moisture Dimensional recovery Density Resistance to boiling water 4%-8% > 96%

Nominal ± 40 kg/m3 No disintegration

STORAGE

Use no later than Moisture in storage Storage temperature Storage place

6 months 40% – 70% RH 15°C-20°C | 59°F-68°F

Store the stoppers in a clean, well-ventilated and odor-free place, away from products containing chlorine.

## PRODUCTION FLOW

#### **Raw Material**

**CORK OAK STRIPPING** 

[ Cork planks are stripped from cork oak trees]

YARD **STABILIZATION** 

[ Planks are stored from 6 to 9 months on a concrete floor ]

**BOILING** DYNAVOX® SYSTEM

[ Planks are sterilized and disinfected through a vaporized pressure system ]

GC/MS TCA

**STABILIZATION** AFTER BOILING

[Stabilization period after vaporization ]

CORK PLANKS SORTING FOR **PRODUCTION** 

[ First sorting of planks for production]

#### **Production**

GRINDING

Cork granule production process STERILIZATION

GC/MS TCA

**NEOTECH® SYSTEM** 

Cork granules are vaporized and sterilized

GC/MS TCA CONTROL

AGLOMERATION ----Production of micro agglomerated bodies

CONTROL

DISCS PRODUCTION

Thinner strips of cork are punched for disc purposes

CORRECTION

of corks sizes

**OF SIZES** Precise correction GC/MS TCA CONTROL

GLUING

Assembly of agglomerated bodies and discs with grade glue

CONTROLO DE TCA POR GC/MS

STERILIZATION SARA ADVANCED® SYSTEM

Cork stoppers are vaporized and sterilized **ELECTRONIC GRADING** 

2D AND 3D Electronic sorting to determine visual classes of the discs.

**DUSTING DOWN** 

-- WASHING MASZONE® SYSTEM Washing and sterilization GC/MS TCA CONTROL

DRYING Final moisture definition **ELECTRONIC GRADING 2D AND 3D** 

Electronic sorting to determine visual classes.

### **Customization and Packaging**

**PRINTING** Customized printing on stoppers

FINAL TREATMENT To facilitate the bottling process GC/MS TCA CONTROL

**PACKAGING** According to specifications