





Renewable and Compostable Films for Packaging

#### **Behind the brand**

The 'savvy shopper' of the 21st century is increasingly looking behind the brand. No longer content to accept the product without thinking, they are concerned as to the quality, nature and source of both the ingredients and the packaging that delivers it to the store, as well as keeping it fresh at home. Conventional plastic films offer exceptional packaging performance but they are derived from petrochemical sources.



More often than not these films are then laminated to different materials, further improving performance but rendering them impossible to recycle after use. NatureFlex<sup>™</sup> is different.

It is derived from readily renewable cellulose, sourced only from responsibly managed plantations and fully biodegradable and compostable after its served its principal role as a packaging film.

Renewable and compostable NatureFlex<sup>™</sup> gives brand owners an unparalleled opportunity to speak proudly about their packaging.

# **Flexibility in action**



NatureFlex<sup>™</sup> is a range, not just a single film type. Our proprietary expertise in cellulose and coating technologies allows us to tailor the properties according to the specific needs of the product to be wrapped.

#### Features at a glance:

- Transparent, metallised, coloured and white
- Barrier properties for product protection
- High heat-resistance
- Conversion friendly for graphics
- Compatible with other bioplastic materials for enhanced packing performance via coating, lamination and lidding
- Naturally anti-static







# **Independently Substantiated**

- NatureFlex<sup>™</sup> films are derived from wood pulp sourced from responsibly managed plantations
- Renewable content is typically >90% in the finished film as confirmed by ASTM D6866 carbon dating tests
- Process improvements are measured by Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) methodology
- Our LCA is peer-reviewed and the key findings are regularly updated on our website

Quantifying Renewability: ASTM D6866 differentiates between 'old' (fossil-based) and 'new' (renewable) carbon.

> 30µm NatureFlex™ NVS Renewable carbon 94%



Ensuring Responsible Sourcing:







## **Environmental Performance**



- Pack performance is ensured by the choice of specific grade
- Not only do NatureFlex<sup>™</sup> films meet all the global standards for Industrial composting but they are also certified to the OK Compost Home standard for backyard composting
- They are suitable for energy recovery via emerging anaerobic digestion technologies (both 'wet' and 'dry' systems)

VINCOTTE

Metallised film: enhances barrier but does not impact on composting due to the tiny amounts involved.









#### **A Unique Blend of Properties**



- The transparency and gloss of a plastic
- The heat-resistance and antistatic performance of a paper



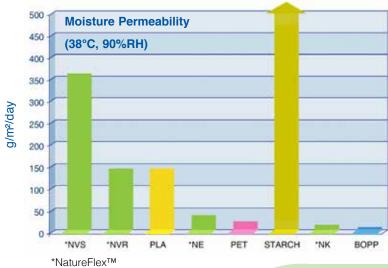
Printable, Tailored Barrier Coating

-Transparent Cellulose Film

— Tailored Barrier Coating

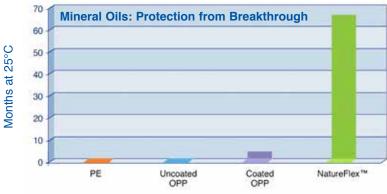
Optional Hermetic Seal Layer

# **Barrier for Product Protection**



- Moisture barrier can be tailored to fit the product
- High gas barrier properties
- Excellent barrier to mineral oils





Tests performed at Official Food Control Authority, Zurich, CH.





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