

THE LATEST INVESTMENTS IN OUR MILL:

01. Instalation of completly new OCC recycled fibre line in December 2022



At the end of December 2022, a new mass preparation line was put into operation in our Mill, which includes a completely new hall and area for mass preparation, as well as all installations and connection to the cardboard machine.

The principle of operation of the new pulp preparation plant is similar to the previous one, but the purification of raw materials and waste paper would be much better. The raw material processing capacity has also been increased, which will enable further growth of both the cardboard production capacity and the improvement of the quality of the product itself. Compared to previous capacity of mass preparation site, with this new mass preparation plant, we will be able to process 50 % more of recovered paper. As well as for previous key projects in our Mill, the company Valmet, the world's leading manufacturer of equipment for the paper industry, was in charge of this investment.

02. The construction of a new warehouse for finished products is underway

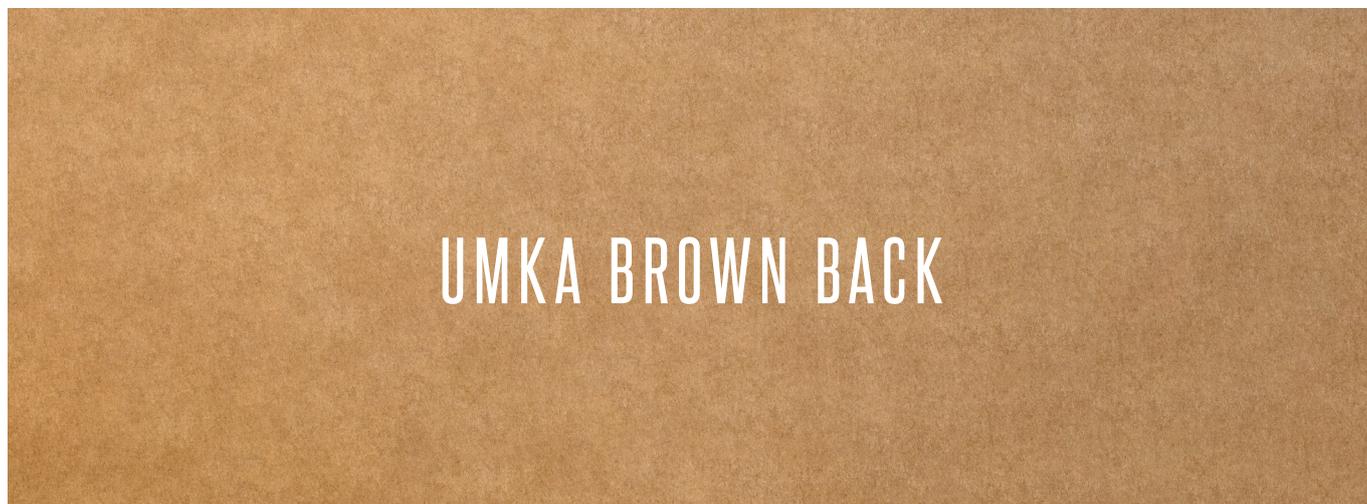


Currently, the construction of a new warehouse for finished products is taking place in our Mill, the final completion of which is planned in the next few months. In order to provide customers and the market with better storage conditions, faster delivery, i.e. delivery at the right time in the right place, the management of the Mill made the construction of a new part of the warehouse one of the priorities for further growth and development.

Works on the warehouse are ongoing, and will last for several more months until everything is completed in accordance with the project and deadlines scheduled previously.



03. New product in our portfolio **– UMKA BROWN BACK**



State of art production technology which we installed in 2021, and all other projects done on our carboard machine, allows us to expand our products portfolio.

At the end of March 2023, first test production of Umka Brown Back 350g took a place. The test production was successful and first deliveries to customers have already started. For the time being, we have in production Umka Brown Back 350g, but in the following period, we are planning to expand our portfolio, from 350g - up to 450g.

On our stock we have A4 samples, and our customers can check how the samples look. Also our customers can order regular goods in this quality (Umka Brown Back 350g) if they want to test our new product.

For any potential questions or inquiries please feel free to contact our sales department and designated sales representatives.

04. Machine down-time during **summer 2023**

We are very proud to inform you about the continuation of our investment and development activities. As a part of our development strategy 2021-2024, we will perform a complete reconstruction of the drying section of the cardboard machine by installing brand new, state of the art drying cylinders. Mentioned reconstruction will bring us closer to the goals of completely modernizing our production to the latest technology currently available and enable the increase of our production capacity up to 220.000 tons in the coming years (substance range 160-450 gsm).

The recontruction is scheduled to begin on 10th of July and finish on 20th of August 2023.

As a reminder in last two years, Umka Cradboard Mill, has already done following reconstructions:

- New fourdrinier forming section (2021)
- Installation of Jumbo press (2021)
- Installation of Curtain-coater (2021)
- Installation of new winder (2021)
- New stock preparation building (2022)

Plans for the future include complete reconstruction of:

- Drying of coating (2024)

All investments, former and future, are done and will be done with Valmet, a global leader in development and implementation of process technologies and service automation in the paper industry.

Your will be able to discuss logistical implications of the reconstruction with your designated sales persons.

INTERESTING STORIES

Even Q1 of 2023 was very hard and unpredictable for bussiness, economy, and supply chanis through out of the whole Europe, we managed to deliver our products to 32 countries across Europe, Asia and Middle East. In Q1 we delivered cardboard to 212 customers respectively. Depending on the transportation possibilities and all other relevant factors, we will continue to adapt to the latest market trends so our valuable customers and partners could expect best service and quality just in time.

Thank you for your trust and cooperation!



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