



DISCLOSURE MATERIALS

Certified B Corporations must complete a Disclosure Questionnaire to identify potentially sensitive issues related to the company (e.g. historical fines, sanctions, material litigation, or sensitive industry practices).

This component does not affect the company's score on the B Impact Assessment. If the company answers affirmatively to any items in the Disclosure Questionnaire and B Lab deems them to be material, the company must:

- 1) Be transparent about the disclosure issues identified on the company's public B Impact Report
- 2) Describe how the company has addressed this issue.
- 3) Demonstrate that management systems are in place to avoid similar issues from arising in the future.

In all cases, the Standards Advisory council reserves the right to refuse certification if the company is ultimately deemed not to uphold the spirit of the community.

In addition to the voluntary indication of sensitive issues in the Disclosure Questionnaire, companies pursuing Certification also are subject to background checks by B Lab staff. Background checks include a review of public records, news sources, and search engines for company names, brands, executives/founders, and other relevant topics.

Sensitive issues identified through background checks may or may not be within the scope of questions in the Disclosure Questionnaire, but undergo the same review process and are subject to the same possible review by the Standards Advisory Council, including ineligibility for B Corp Certification, required remediation, or disclosure.

This document contains a copy of the company's completed Disclosure Questionnaire and related disclosure documentation provided by the company.

DISCLOSURE QUESTIONNAIRE

Company Name: Avignonesi SRL Soc. Agricola Società Benefit
 Date Submitted: 07/07/2022

Industries & Products	Yes	No
Please indicate if the company is involved in production of or trade in any the following. Select Yes for all options that apply.		
Animal Products or Services		√
Biodiversity Impacts	√	
Chemicals		√
Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		√
Disclosure Alcohol	√	
Disclosure Firearms Weapons		√
Disclosure Mining		√
Disclosure Pornography		√
Disclosure Tobacco		√
Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries		√
Fossil fuels		√
Gambling		√
Genetically Modified Organisms		√
Illegal Products or Subject to Phase Out		√
Industries at Risk of Human Rights Violations		√
Monoculture Agriculture	√	
Nuclear Power or Hazardous Materials		√
Payday, Short Term, or High Interest Lending		√
Water Intensive Industries	√	
Tax Advisory Services		√

Supply Chain Disclosures	Yes	No
Please indicate if any of the following statements are true regarding your company's significant suppliers.		
Business in Conflict Zones		√
Child or Forced Labor		√
Negative Environmental Impact		√
Negative Social Impact		√
Other		√

Outcomes & Penalties	True	False
Please indicate if the company has had any formal complaint to a regulatory agency or been assessed any fine or sanction in the past five years for any of the following practices or policies. Check all that apply.		
Anti-Competitive Behavior		√
Breaches of Confidential Information		√
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		√
Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		√
Company has filed for bankruptcy		√
Consumer Protection		√
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		√
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		√
Labor Issues		√
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		√
Litigation or Arbitration		√
On-Site Fatality		√
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		√
Political Contributions or International Affairs		√
Recalls		√
Significant Layoffs		√
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		√
Other		√

Practices	True	False
Please indicate if the following statements are true regarding whether or not the company engages in the following practices. Check all that apply. If the statement is true, select "Yes." If false, select "No."		
Animal Testing		√
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		√
Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		√
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		√
Company workers are prisoners		√
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		√
Confirmation of Right to Work		√
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		√
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		√
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		√
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		√
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		√
No signed employment contracts for all workers		√
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory		√
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions		√
Sale of Data		√
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells		√
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		√
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		√
Workers paid below minimum wage		√
Workers Under Bond		√
Other		√

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DISCLOSURE QUESTIONNAIRE CATEGORY	Environmentally Intensive Industries
TOPIC	Water Intensive Industries
SUMMARY OF ISSUE	As a vineyard and winery, Avignonesi operates in an industry that is water intensive. Aspects of the industry that make it water intensive include irrigation used in the cultivation of vines, water used in the winemaking process (e.g. for cleaning tanks and barrels), and water used in the bottling process.
SIZE/SCOPE OF ISSUE (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	<p>The company derived 100% of its revenue from its wine segment in 2020.</p> <p>In 2020, the company consumed an aggregate of 30.5Mio litres of water for a total production of 0.8Mio litres of wine, which makes it about 37 litres of water for one litre of wine. This consumption includes all the company's sites: vineyards, wineries, cellars, bottling, warehouse, agritourism, staff accommodation, offices and olive oil mill. 100% of the wine produced and sold by Avignonesi is made exclusively with grapes cultivated in their vineyards and processed in their cellar. These practices guarantee that all the water required for their wine production is accounted for in the company's footprint.</p>
IMPACT ON STAKEHOLDERS	<p>As water intensive industries, agriculture and wine production poses risks such as water stress or depletion of local water sources if water use is not appropriately managed.</p> <p>Avignonesi buys about one third of its water from the grid, and its wells and lakes supply the rest. The company is located in a low water stress level region, according to Aquastat (2018).</p>
IMPLEMENTED MGT PRACTICES	<p>"Avignonesi has an internal monitoring system to record its water usage and avoid wastes from leakages.</p> <p>To manage their water resources needed for the vineyard, they harvest rainwater and only irrigate about 50% of the vineyards, all using drip technolog. They may irrigate some of their vineyards only when the local authorities declare a drought state of emergency.</p> <p>They optimise the quantity of water required for irrigation based on monitoring and analysis of soil moisture level, weather data and other relevant information. Three particular water conservation practices utilized by them are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Water stress measurement by using Scholander pressure bombs ii) ETP models according to the data collected from their weather stations iii) Water stress potential maps. <p>The company does an analysis of the water in all its lakes every 2 years.</p> <p>At all the business sites (cellar, bottling, washing sites), the used water is treated appropriately (decanted/filtered with plants/oxygenated) before re-entry into the water table.</p> <p>All the company's wastewater management practices are in line with requirements of the AUA (Univa Environmental Authorization) which is issued by the Tuscany Region, where the company operates.</p>



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DISCLOSURE QUESTIONNAIRE CATEGORY	Environmentally Intensive Industries
TOPIC	Biodiversity Impact and Monoculture Agriculture
SUMMARY OF ISSUE	As a vineyard and winery, Avignonesi operates in an industry in which biodiversity impact and monoculture agriculture are material environmental issues.
SIZE/SCOPE OF ISSUE (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	<p>The company derived 100% of its revenue from its wine segment in 2020.</p> <p>The company has 333 hectares of land of which approximately 183 hectares are cultivated (55%). The non cultivated land is used as: buildings/TARE (18%), forest area (13%), polyphytic meadow (13%), set aside from production (0.5%) and vegetable garden (0.14%). Normally, 2.8% of land is actively replanted each year.</p>
IMPACT ON STAKEHOLDERS	Monoculture poses a risk to local ecosystems of flora and fauna as well as the potential degradation of cultivated land.
IMPLEMENTED MGT PRACTICES	<p>Avignonesi grows 15 grape varieties in its vineyards. Besides viticulture and olive groves, the company tries to promote a variety of other agricultural activities on their lands, including beekeeping, gardening with crop rotation and animal raising.</p> <p>Since 2018 Avignonesi have been planting trees in available spaces around their lands. Approximately 40 ha of their land consists of forest that they do not interfere with.</p> <p>Avignonesi changed the type of plant used in their crops cover to enhance biodiversity and they promote the flowering of their cover crop to attract a higher variety of insects into the vineyard.</p> <p>The company also uses the technique of sexual confusion for Berry Moths which allows them to reduce the amount of non-specific (organic) insecticide in the vineyards.</p> <p>The company is certified organic and biodynamic claims to do not use pesticides and/or chemical fertilizers.</p>



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DISCLOSURE QUESTIONNAIRE CATEGORY	Disclosure Alcohol
TOPIC	Company produces and sells alcohol products
SUMMARY OF ISSUE	Avignonesi SRL Soc. Agricola Società Benefit is a vineyard that earns a material amount of revenue from the sale of alcohol.
SIZE/SCOPE OF ISSUE (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	The company derived 100% of its revenue from its wine segment in 2020.
IMPACT ON STAKEHOLDERS	Alcohol may have a negative impact on the health and well-being of individuals and their communities.
IMPLEMENTED MGT PRACTICES	<p>The company complies with all local regulations concerning the sale and production of alcohol. To promote responsible consumption, Avignonesi employs a strict no drink and drive policy for all its internal events. The company is a wine producer with only one direct selling point to customers (which is the restaurant and tasting center) where they do not serve minors. Visitors are filtered into adults and children at the point of booking itself.</p> <p>Additionally, all the B2B clients that Avignonesi works with are required to adhere to the company's code of conduct wherein they follow legal requirements of the place in which they operate, as well as manage the social impacts of their activities.</p>