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Celebrating 30 years



The origin of the cooperative dates back to June 1991, when citrus fruit growers from the southern region joined together to give a greater productive and commercial impulse to their farms. If we think about the origin of the cooperative, names known to us emerge as Alegre Sasson, Humberto Grassi, Sergio Fuica, Luis Zunini, the members of the establishment "Yanil Bruno and others" (today "El Espinillo S.A."). Then Julio Yaquinta, Guillermo Clement and Grasso family joined the company, partners until today.

For many years FRIMOSA provided packing and cooling services for the cooperative's fruit. Since 2014, AGRISUR has had its own packing facilities while maintaining the link with FRIMOSA for storage and container loading.

It is one of the oldest cooperatives in the country. Since its creation, it has been part of URUD'OR and through this channel it supplies its fruit to demanding customers with fresh and innovative products, applying food safety standards required to guarantee the safety of its goods.

This year it is celebrating 30 years old and thanks to experience and trust it will continue to advance in improvement. From URUD'OR we send our congratulations for all this time traveled and we predict many successes for the future.



A year that ends...

2021... a very different year, with mixed feelings when having good experiences and those not so good. Demanding, arduous and challenging campaign are the adjectives that fit it.

We had a record of production, harvest and, therefore, exports: 43,300 tons to date, with a couple more weeks of departures to Brazil still missing. Despite the global overproduction, the offered and competitive markets, and the lower demand from consumers, URUD'OR supplied customers with good quality fruit and arriving in good condition. We recovered our position in the US market, once again highlighting the qualities of color, flavor, and size.

Logistics was undoubtedly the great challenge throughout the chain. Organizing harvesting, packing, commercial programs, together with container and ship shortages, was achieved thanks to strong teamwork. Likewise, we suffered from the reduction of programs due to untimely arrivals, as well as the appearance of some rot and increased costs. In terms of residues, we entered the EU in compliance with its regulations; however, later-than-expected arrivals caused traces of propiconazole were detected in some shipments.

The complex COVID situation in Uruguay added a plus since it coincided with the peak of citrus activity. Even so, it was drawn successfully.

The challenges we have experienced make us gain impulse for 2022. As is customary in this group, we have already been working with our sights set on quality, health and reliability of our fruit in requirements such as seeds and residues, in the consolidation of supply programs with our clients and in fore-seeing actions that will reduce the impact of the estimated logistical inconveniences for the next season.

What's New for 2022

URUD'OR decided to start the way to the GlobalGAP add on FSMA certification. To this end, technicians have been trained on several occasions and meetings were held with producers to introduce them to the standard. At the same time, this new module has been introduced in this new cycle of internal inspections at the field level. In the near future, training will be organized with those in charge of the different field activities. On December 22, the National Agency for Research and Innovation (ANII) approved with the highest percentage of funding - the project "Research and Innovation Network to enhance the safety and quality of citrus fruit in postharvest" presented by UPEFRUY together with the National Agricultural Research Institute (INIA) of Uruguay. The project will last 36 months and will address the new requirements that are emerging in Uruguay's postharvest sector.



SOCIALS: Team URUD'OR

We continue to present the URUD'OR team!



From left to right: Fermín García y Santos, Andrea Pastore, Romina Rameau, Elina Fraschini y Mariana Nin.

The technical team carries out the implementation and maintenance of the certifications required by our clients at the field and packing house level; monitoring, recording and evaluation of the quality of fruit arrivals at destination; technical communication with receivers; collaboration in the management of claims; fruit monitoring with cold requirement; support to growers / exporters in post-harvest handling and new varieties; coordination of projects with institutions related to research.

