

Solos introduces advanced dealcoholization facility serving French winemakers

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Premium wine producers across Southern Europe, including the South of France, will gain access to advanced dealcoholization technology with a dedicated facility opening October 1 in Valencia, Spain. Developed by leading dealcoholization solution provider Solos, the plant will help wine producers meet surging global demand for no- and low-alcohol (NoLo) wines while maintaining flavour integrity and premium positioning.

The launch comes as the NoLo category is projected to grow by 25 per cent in volume between 2022 and 2026 across key European markets, including France, Spain, Germany, and the UK (IWSR). Historically, dealcoholized wines have struggled to meet sensory expectations. Solos's patented Aroma Recovery System addresses this challenge, preserving varietal and site identity while delivering the aroma and flavour essential to premium wine.

The 2,400-square-meter co-manufacturing site, accessible to French winemakers in Provence, Languedoc-Roussillon, and the Rhône Valley, pairs Solos's proprietary Aroma Recovery System with Centec's DeAlcoTech vacuum distillation column for gentle dealcoholization. Batch sizes range from 5,000 to 25,000 litres, with an annual processing capacity of up to 16 million litres. Near the Port of Valencia, the plant will be the region's only turnkey facility offering onsite aroma recovery, dealcoholization and packaging.

Solos's solution is already used by premium winemakers in Germany, Austria, and Switzerland seeking an alternative to other NoLo systems that compromise varietal expression or flavour. Solos is expanding its European presence to offer producers more flexibility, faster turnaround times, and in-market access to premium dealcoholization.