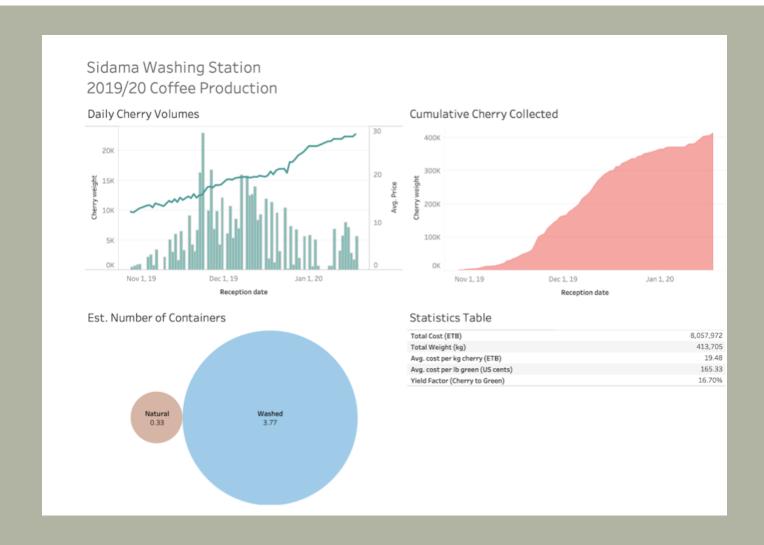


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COFFEE INNOVATION Digital Bookkeeping for Coffee Producers

Control Costs at Origin and Optimize Operations and Traceability



INNOVATION

Sustainable supply chains and coffee purchases require a full understanding of the costs of production, and transparency about transactions to set fair prices at every level. The limitations of paper-based records and cost implications of hiring full time finance and accounting staff mean that most mill and cooperative owners do not have a good picture of their finances year-on-year that allows them to identify how to optimize operations.

TRANSPARENT AND INCLUSIVE BUSINESS MODELS

Cropster's mobile app, Cropster Origin, captures and tracks information about coffee from the farm through export and helps producers track and manage costs and transactions as well as connect to buyers through Cropster Hub



COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Cropster is an international company specializing in hardware and software to help coffee companies optimize their operations. From its beginnings as a roasting curve software, Cropster now has software services that span the supply chain.

GOALS

- EMPOWER AND ENABLE PARTNERSHIPS UP AND DOWN THE SUPPLY CHAIN THROUGH SHARED EXPERTISE AND INFORMATION
- INCREASE THE PROFITABILITY OF THE WET MILLS RECEIVING SOFTWARE SUPPORT
- · REPLICATE THE USAGE OF DIGITAL SOLUTIONS FOR ASSESSING THE QUALITY, TRACEABILITY AND MARKETING OF COFFEE



COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS

COSTS

EFFECTS ON REVENUE

SOFTWARE STARTING FROM \$348/YEAR/MILL BLUETOOTH WEIGHING SCALE: \$400 PHONE / COMPUTER: \$500 INCREASE OF \$2800-9800 PER YEAR PER MILL

EFFECTS ON YIELD

TOTAL: \$1248

NONE EXPECTED



PREPARATION



TIMFIINE

ALLOW ONE MONTH FOR **PROCUREMENT**

MATERIALS

& EQUIPMENT

- WEIGHING SCALE (TOP PHOTO)
- BLUETOOTH LE TO RS_232 ADAPTER; AVAILABLE FROM CROPSTER (BOTTOM PHOTO)
- PHONE OR COMPUTER





STAFFING REQUIREMENTS

NONE IN ADDITION TO NORMAL MILL OPERATIONS (USUALLY ONE GM FULL TIME AND ONE MILL MANAGER, PART TIME, PER MILL)

LESSONS LEARNED

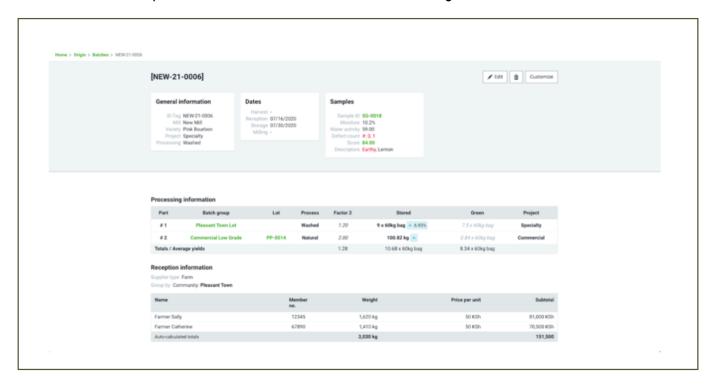
CHALLENGES

TAKEAWAYS

- The pandemic caused a drop in demand for specialty, so commercial grade coffee was exported
- · Conversion from paper to digital records or keeping double records made adoption difficult
- Integrating bluetooth caused delays but ultimately makes system
- Some online-only features did not work in remote areas because of connection problems
- · Extra detail for only specialty lots
- Best integration of Origin system requires in-house cupping team

RESULTS

As a result of Cropster's trial with Zebad and Kata Muduga,



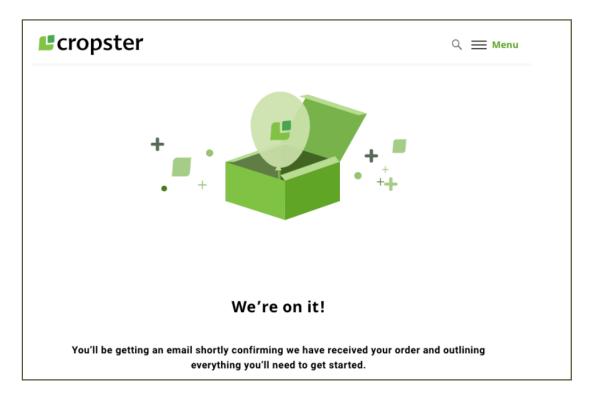
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 FARMERS IMPACTED

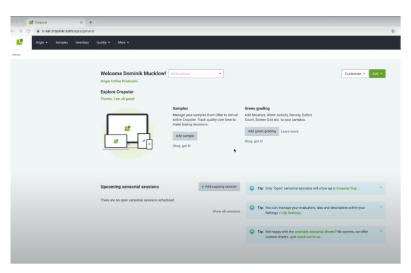
 THROUGH 12 WET MILLS
- ONE PARTNER SECURED A
 LARGE CONTRACT WITH A
 DUBAI-BASED IMPORTING
 COMPANY
- PARTNERS WERE ABLE TO
 GATHER 5 TO 12
 (RESPECTIVELY) NEW SALES
 LEADS FROM CROPSTER HUB

IMPLEMENTATION

REGISTER FOR CROPSTER ORIGIN ON CROPSTER'S WEBSITE: http://www.cropster.com/products/origin/

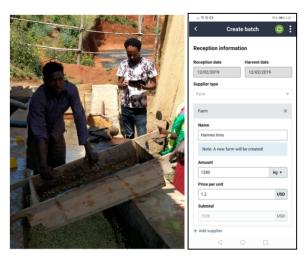


- RECEIVE AN INVITATION EMAIL FROM CROPSTER AND CLICK THE LINK. CREATE A LOGIN TO ACCESS YOUR ACCOUNT.
- FOLLOW THE ONBOARDING STEPS TO CUSTOMIZE SETTINGS FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION

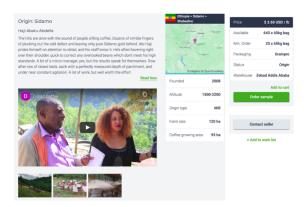


- NAVIGATE TO <u>ORIGIN.CROPSTER.COM</u> ON YOUR MOBILE DEVICE TO ACCESS THE ORIGIN APP, USE THE SAME CREDENTIALS TO LOGIN
- INPUT VOLUMES OF COFFEE RECEIVED AT THE MILL FROM EACH SUPPLIER.

 ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONS PROVIDED BY CROPSTER AND AVAILABLE HERE



GENERAL MANAGERS OF THE PRODUCER ORGANIZATION CAN VIEW ALL SYNCHRONIZED DATA AT C-SAR.CROPSTER.COM



GENERAL MANAGERS MAY POST LOTS OFFERED BY THEIR PRODUCER ORGANIZATION AT <u>HUB.CROPSTER.COM</u>



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