



SPANISH TANNERS & ALL CHINA LEATHER EXHIBITION 2016

Since the first edition of ACLE (All China Leather Exhibition), the Spanish tanneries and chemical companies have not missed one single event, albeit changing venue from Beijing to Shanghai many years ago.

Although China remains an important market and ACLE it's only professional leather and related industries show on China mainland, the slowdown of China's economy together with the persisting difficulties affronted by of Spain's economy and political turmoil has had a direct impact on the Spanish participation.

Europe, together with US have become the main markets for premium Spanish leathers. Whilst the Chinese market is still purchasing quality leathers, many tanneries opt to visit their clients at their factories as opposed to attending clients and potential clients at the fair.

ACLE is a great platform but we can also see an important reduction in the number of international tanneries exhibiting at the show, which confirms the impact of market behaviors on professional international platforms. But saying this, 2016 edition does enjoy the presence of probably Spain's largest and most important tanneries: RIBA GUIXÀ, INPELSA & LA DOMA, all processing Spanish/Iberian Peninsula lambskin. With semi-elaborated, we encounter two well-known companies: CASAS I FILLS and LEDEXPORT both of whom process premium semi-finished hides and skins.

RIBA GUIXÀ Curtidos Riba Guixà, founded over 80 years ago, has maintained throughout its history the highest of quality due to a strict selection of leathers in origin, enjoying a privileged position within the fashion leather industry in Europe, Asia and the US. Their production is based on Spanish Entrefino lambskin which is processed for clothing, shoes, leather goods and gloves.

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LA DOMA SA DE CURTIDOS, founded in 1985, has taken the lead worldwide in producing lambskin, particularly double-face. The source of their skins, mainly from the Iberian Peninsula, is, together with innovation, expertise and technology the foundation for the high quality articles they produce. Over 80% of their production is exported to markets such as Italy, France, UK, China, Germany, Japan, Korea.

INPELSA: Working with their customers since 1973, this leading tannery is specialized in double-face, Napa, nubuck and suede, all made exclusively from Spanish lambskin, which is considered one of the best leathers in the world. Their high quality leathers are used for manufacturing leather garments, footwear and leather goods.

For Acexpiel, the Spanish Tanner's association, exports are the supporting pillar for the Spanish industry and even if China has slow down considerably and ACLE has been affected by this down-turn, China is still one of the largest markets in the world, consuming from top-end to bottom-end leathers and the presence of the leading Spanish tanneries at ACLE is most important, not only for the image of the Spanish Tanners, but also a reminder that Spain is still an important operator in the global market of leather and hide for the "luxury" industry.

- Companies exhibiting in Hall E1: CASAS I FILLS, INPELSA, LA DOMA, LEDEXPORT & RIBA GUIXÀ. Acexpiel information booth.
- Accompanying Tannery Partners, exhibiting in Hall E3: TEXAPEL, CROMATEX, IGCAR, MARLET QUÍMICA, LEATHER QUÍMICA, LABORATORIOS MIRET & OLCINA
- Other Spanish companies exhibiting in ACLE: CURTIDOS DEL ATLÁNTICO, PIELCOLOR, COLORANTES INDUSTRIALES & HP SPAIN

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