



Canning Services

Frequently-asked Questions

Located in the heart of California's beautiful Sonoma County winegrowing region, Owl Ridge Wine Services (ORWS) offers premium wine grape custom crush, bottling, private label wine and canning services in its well-equipped facility.

What canning services does ORWS offer?

We offer full-service canning and labeling for wine, cider, spritzers, coffee, tea and other beverages. We provide a variety of preparation and packaging options to ensure the end product arrives on the shelf exactly how you pictured it. This includes in-house blending, adding carbonation, box assembly, applying multi-pack handles and a lot more. All cans will be palletized and shrink-wrapped ready to ship from our facility.



Why should I choose ORWS?

As a cornerstone wine production facility, centrally-located in California's Wine Country, we bring twenty years' experience to what we do. Our large facility boasts a range of modern equipment which, along with our friendly and professional crew, allows us to maintain the extremely high standards we have become known for.

What size cans will work on ORWS' equipment?

Please see our website for a list of can sizes we can accommodate. If there is a size not mentioned then please contact us to discuss.



What are the minimum canning volumes?

These vary depending on the can size in question. The minima are as follows:

- 250 mL slim cans: 400 gallons / 1500 liters
- All other sizes: Approximately 1600 gallons / 6000 liters. We can work with smaller volumes which might be subject to a changeover fee.

How many cans can ORWS package in a day?

ORWS can package up to approximately 19,000 slim 250 mL cans and 17,000 standard/sleek 355 mL or 375 mL cans in one day.

Do I provide the packaging?

Yes. We will work closely with you every step of the way to make sure that everything is compatible with our equipment.

Does ORWS help source packaging?

We are more than happy to connect you with industry-leading suppliers.

What are the technical considerations for packaging?

Please review our technical specifications document (*Standard Canning Guidelines*), available on our website. Please also ask for further details to ensure compatibility. We always ask for a sample of all packaging – including can sleeve material – to ensure compatibility with our equipment.

What beverage processing services does ORWS offer?

It varies depending on the product in question but we can offer blending, stabilization, making additions, pre- and final filtration, including .45 micron filtration. We even offer standard analyses thanks to our in-house lab.

Can ORWS add carbonation to canned beverages?

You bet! We can add up to 6,000 ppm CO₂.

Does ORWS offer warehousing/shipping services?

We ask that all packaged goods (and unused packaging materials) and remaining supplies be removed within one week.

What is the lead time to get on the canning schedule?

As much lead time as possible is always helpful but we require approximately six weeks' notice to get projects scheduled on our canning line. This may be slightly longer at certain times.

**Can I split one run of canning between multiple labels?**

Absolutely. (We may charge a changeover fee of \$150 if the labeled quantity is below our canning MOQ.)

Can ORWS work with creative, unconventional packaging?

Most often, yes – please let us know what you have in mind.

Other than the packaging, what else do I need to provide?

We will ask for details of a contact person for both billing and project management. We will need copies of any applicable licensing (such as for wine or hard cider products). If we are submitting for label approval we will need relevant images etc.

Does ORWS provide sales support or licensing and compliance services?

While we are happy to draw from our experience and help as much as we can, ORWS does not offer formal compliance or licensing services. We recommend contacting a third-party specialist as each case is different. We can recommend such specialists if needed.

Does ORWS offer project management services?

While ORWS provides the equipment and labor, we require that there is a contact person for each beverage being canned to oversee all aspects of processing and packaging, from blending and filtration to signing off on the packaged product.

Will ORWS handle TTB COLA submissions (as applicable)?

Yes.

Can I use my company name on the back label?

Yes. If applicable we will provide all necessary paperwork to keep things compliant.

**Is ORWS a certified food-handling facility? What certifications does it have?**

ORWS is registered with the FDA as a food and beverage facility.

Can you send me your pricing right now - and what does it include?

Since every project is different (in terms of volume, packaging, carbonation, label changeovers etc.) we offer an a-la-carte system of pricing – please get in touch with us to discuss the details of your project so we can provide specifics on our fees, and what options there may be.

How do I obtain more information?

Get in touch! We are here to answer any questions. Please reach out and let's discuss how we can help. <https://www.owlridgewine.com/contact-us>. Please also check out our canning guidelines, available on our website.

