

# Where it started

Founders Sam and Will Boex recognised the impact that single-use plastic was having on their local and the world's marine environment. Their passion for surfing and their personal experience of transporting boards around the globe inspired them to create a sustainable packaging sleeve for the boardsports industry.

Since the early days, supported by individuals and organisations championing the plastic-free movement, Flexi-Hex has expanded but the founding commitments have remained the same. Flexi-Hex now develops sustainable packaging solutions across a wide range of commercial and industrial sectors.







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# The Problem

Our actions over the next 10 years will determine the state of the ocean for 10,000 years to come.



 41% of plastic produced globally is for packaging

91% of plastic waste is currently not recycled



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# Our solution is adaptable packaging that is:

100% plastic-free
Made from paper
Recyclable
Biodegradable
Compostable

## What is Flexi-Hex?

At Flexi-Hex, we have created a robust and patented sleeve made from an expandable honeycomb material. Renowned for its strength, the innovative hexagonal cell structure not only provides incredible protection for fragile products, it also creates a sleeve that is extremely flexible and forms to the shape of products placed within.

A superior alternative to plastic bubble, air pillows and void fill, the quality and engineering of our packaging can benefit the bottom line, reducing costly breakages and saving money in shipping and storage due to its compact nature.

Additionally, our plastic-free packaging improves brand perception and customer loyalty. It's beautiful design, inspired by nature, delivers a quality, gifting experience that is fuss-free and easy to recycle.





We use as much recycled content as possible and, where we do need to use virgin paper, we ensure it is FSC Certified.



## Recyclable

All our packaging is curbside recyclable, biodegradable and composts in just six weeks.
Cardboard is also the most recycled material in Europe.



## Compact

One pallet of Flexi-Hex is equivalent to five pallets of bubble wrap; reducing shipping and storage costs, and ultimately the impact on our environment.



#### **Flexible**

With the sleeve expanding to 35 times its compact size, our packaging is adaptable and can be applied across a wide range of applications.



## Customisable

In the growing world of e-commerce, packaging is often a consumer's first interaction with a brand and a crucial part of the their purchasing experience.



## Easy to Assemble

Designed to be user-friendly, all our packaging is intuitive to assemble and uses minimal material, making it easy to slot into the production process.



#### **Protective**

Having passed European drop tests, we're confident in the strength of our packaging to protect fragile items from impact and movement in transit.

# We're not the only ones after change

# 9 in 10

British consumers want packaging to be classed as recyclable

36%

of Europeans are boycotting brands over packaging sustainability concerns

50%

of consumers would pay a higher price to avoid plastic packaging



Due to its innovative design, the sleeve protects, expands and forms around products of all shapes and sizes.



# Flexi-Hex

The original Flexi-Hex sleeve is our most renowned product, made from heavy-weight paper it's designed to protect anything from bottles and boards to larger industrial items. It's protective packaging that is functional, reliable and robust. We have several specifications of this sleeve that have been uniquely engineered to suit a range of market sectors.





FLEXI-HEX®

# Flexi-Hex Air

Flexi-Hex Air is our lightweight sleeve designed for smaller, more delicate goods such as cosmetic bottles, electronic devices, and glassware. Made from high-quality tissue paper, it's more malleable than the classic Flexi-Hex sleeve but retains its strength though its unique honeycomb structure.

Flexi-Hex Air has been created in partnership with and licensed to Seaman Paper, who hold a global market share of tissue paper sales and lead the way in decorative paper solutions.





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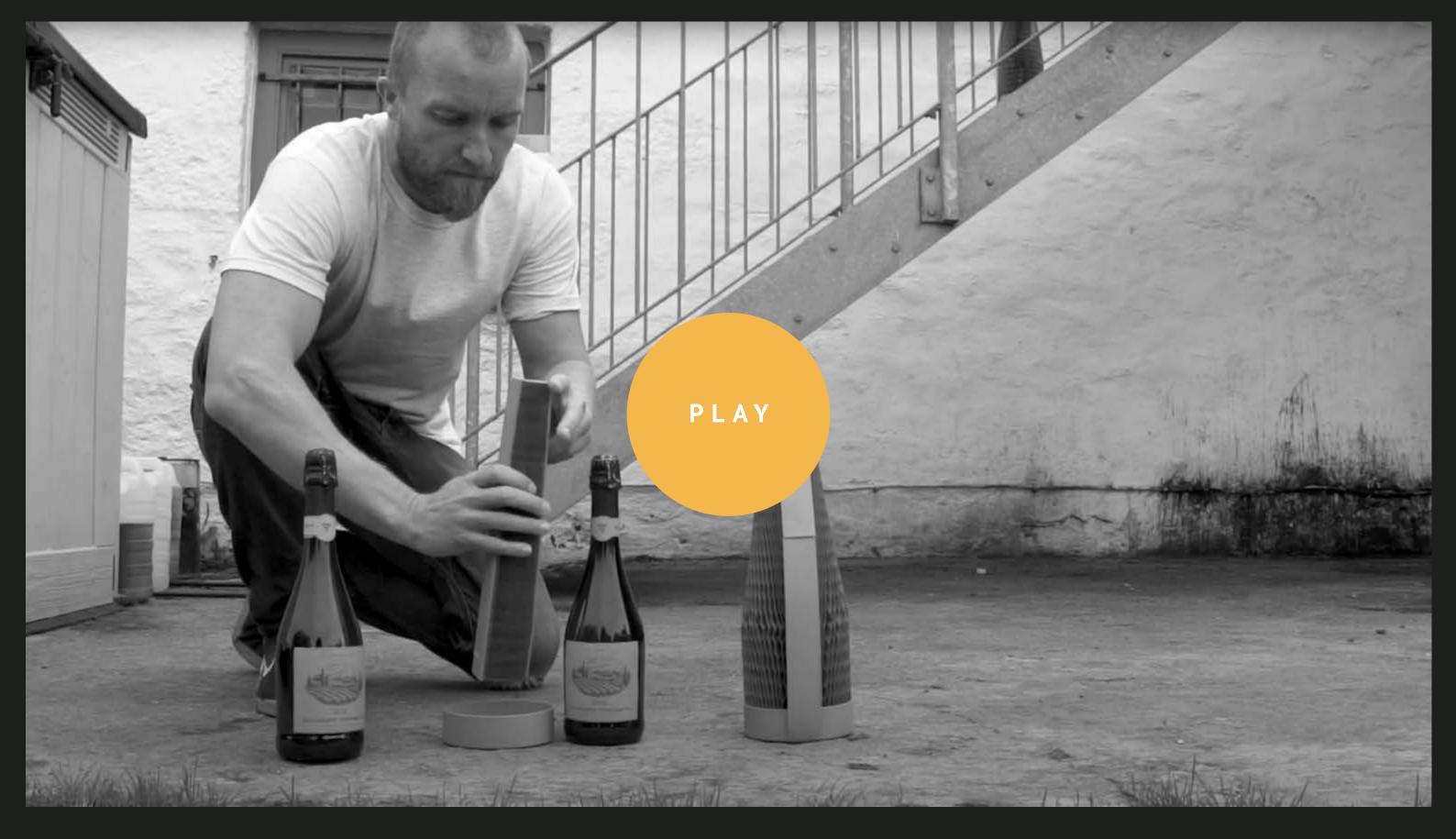






FLEXI-HEX®

# The Power of Paper



Sometimes it has to be seen to be believed. So, we dropped a bottle from 4m to test the strength of our packaging. Press play to see the result.



## Boards



## **Bottles**



## Cosmetics



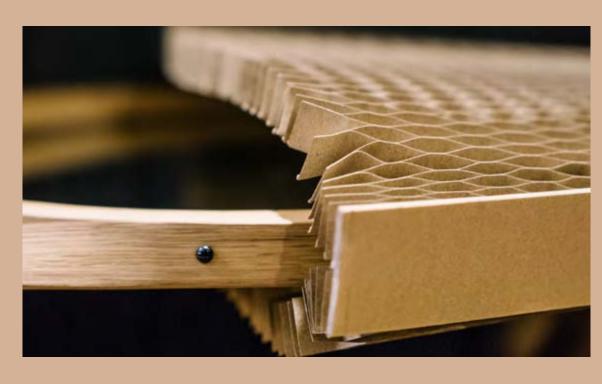
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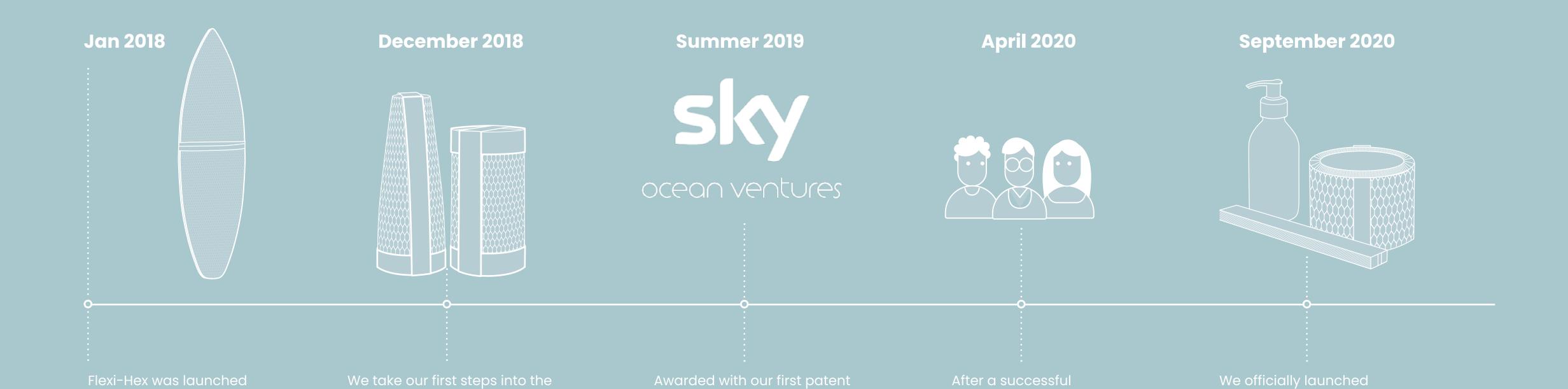
**Electronics** 



Commercial



# Timeline



in the UK, we also received

Ventures who helped us

grant from Innovate UK.

investment from Sky Ocean

develop into the business we

are today and a government



with an eco-friendly

designed specifically for

surf and snowboards.

packaging sleeve

drinks industry by developing

a bottle packaging solution

high-end drinks sector and

specifically aimed at the

gifting market.

Flexi-Hex Air in partnership

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paper designed for smaller,

from FSC Certified tissue

with Seaman Paper.

fragile goods.

Crowdfunding campaign,

we built a powerful network

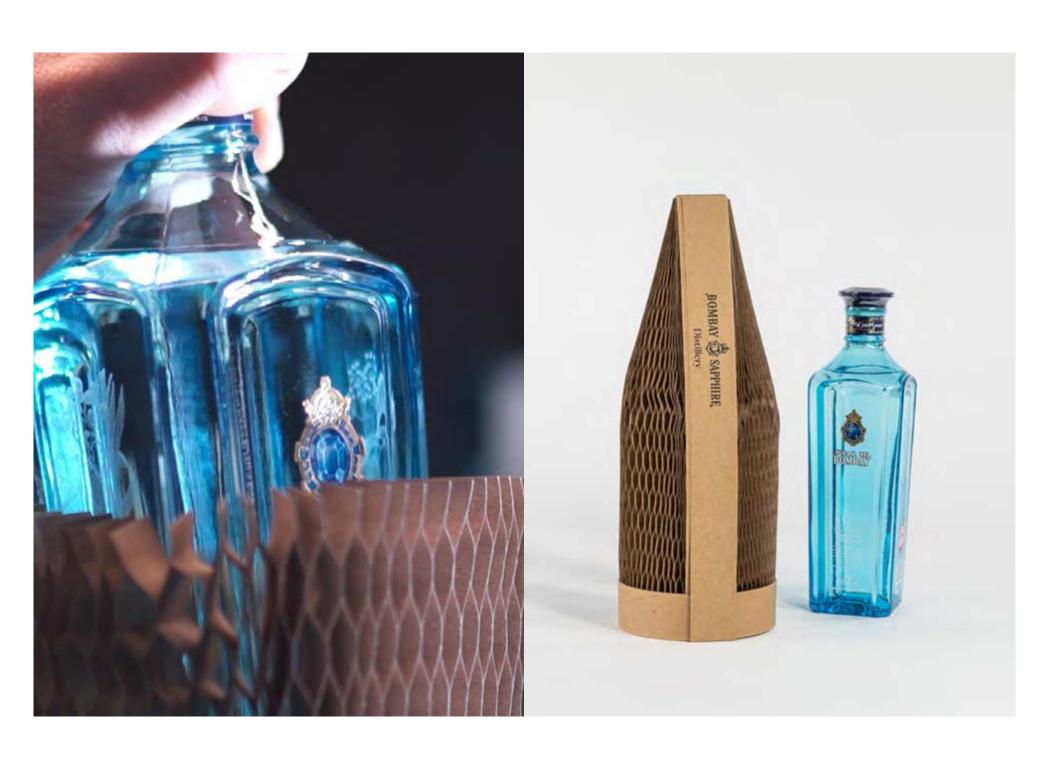
us who, to this day, endorse

of change-makers behind

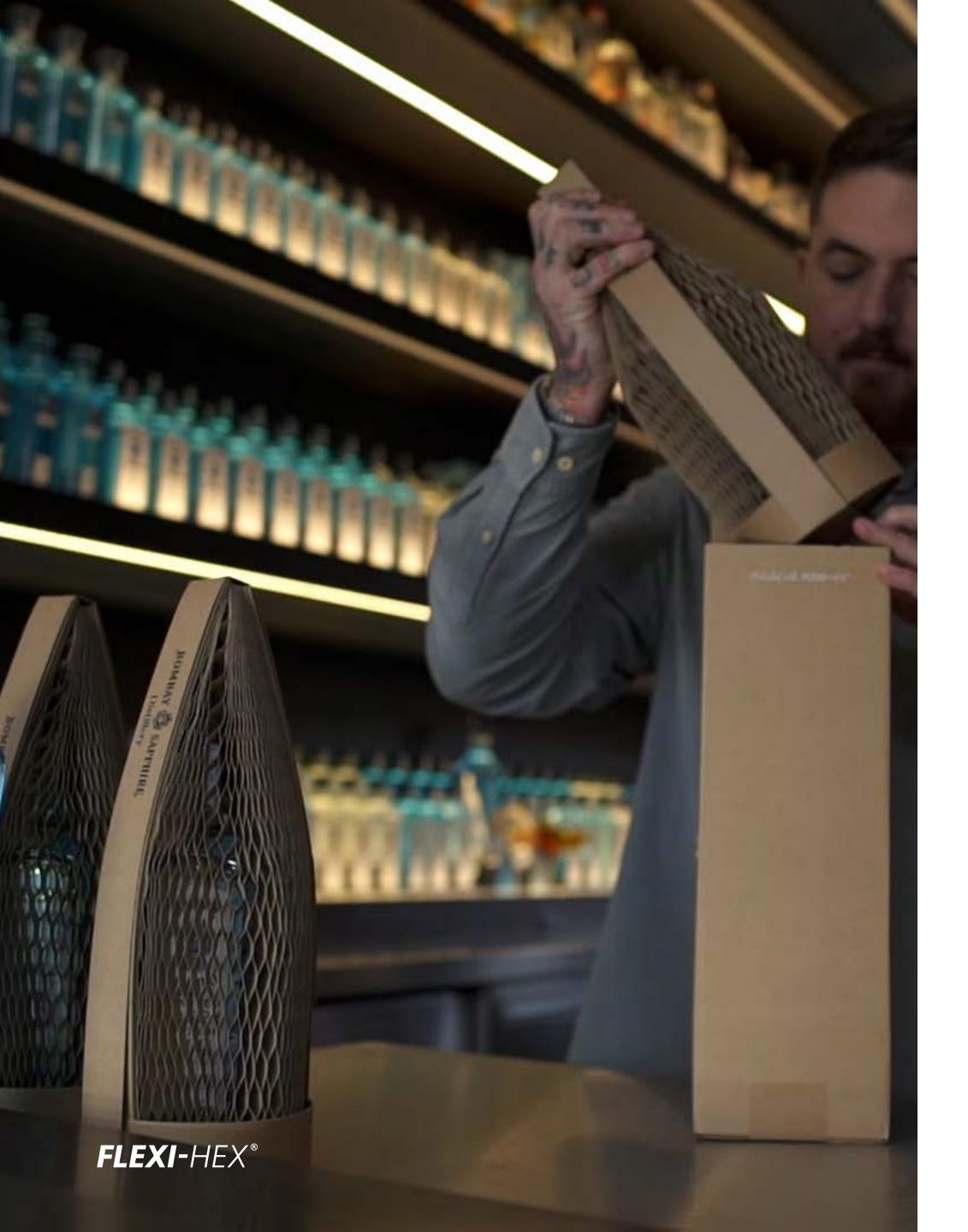
and promote our vision.



# Bombay Sapphire



Bombay Sapphire was one of the first major drinks brands to onboard Flexi-Hex. Impressed by its incredible strength, Bombay continue to use Flexi-Hex for a variety of applications across e-commerce and gifting.



CASE STUDY

## KanKan



Mary and Eliza set up KanKan, a solution-led brand unwilling to compromise on quality products and a luxurious experience. They put soap in cans – making refills fun, convenient and plastic-free. KanKan use Flexi-Hex not only for its eco-credentials but also for its beautiful design.





# → Did you know?

Over 25% of UK distilleries are now using Flexi-Hex bottle packaging.

# The Choice

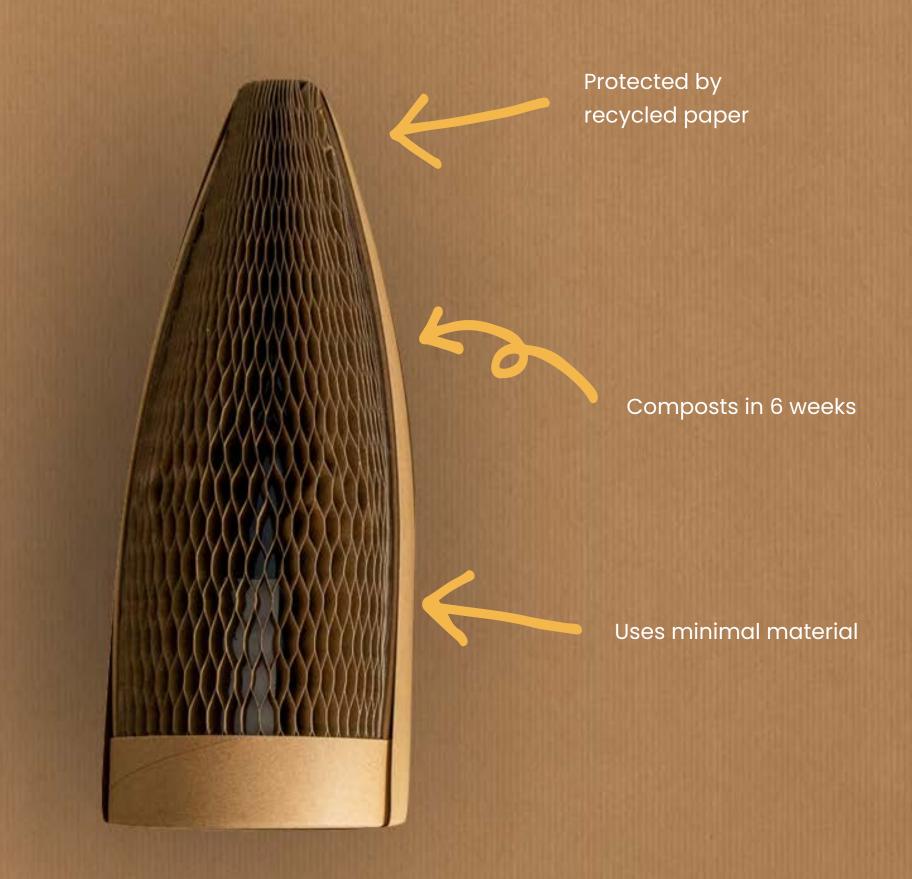
# Protected by single-use plastic Decomposes in

Needs to be inflated

500-1000 years



# It's Simple



## Distribution

#### **USA**

Alongside our existing relationship with Seaman Paper, who produce and distribute Flexi-Hex Air, we are also in active conversations with specialist packaging firms across the States who are interested in either making our products under license or in unison with their area of expertise.

Current Flexi-Hex markets

#### UK

We work with national and regional distributors in the UK. Our growing network includes some of the globe's leading companies in the packaging supply industry. If you have a preferred distributor it's likely we work with them.

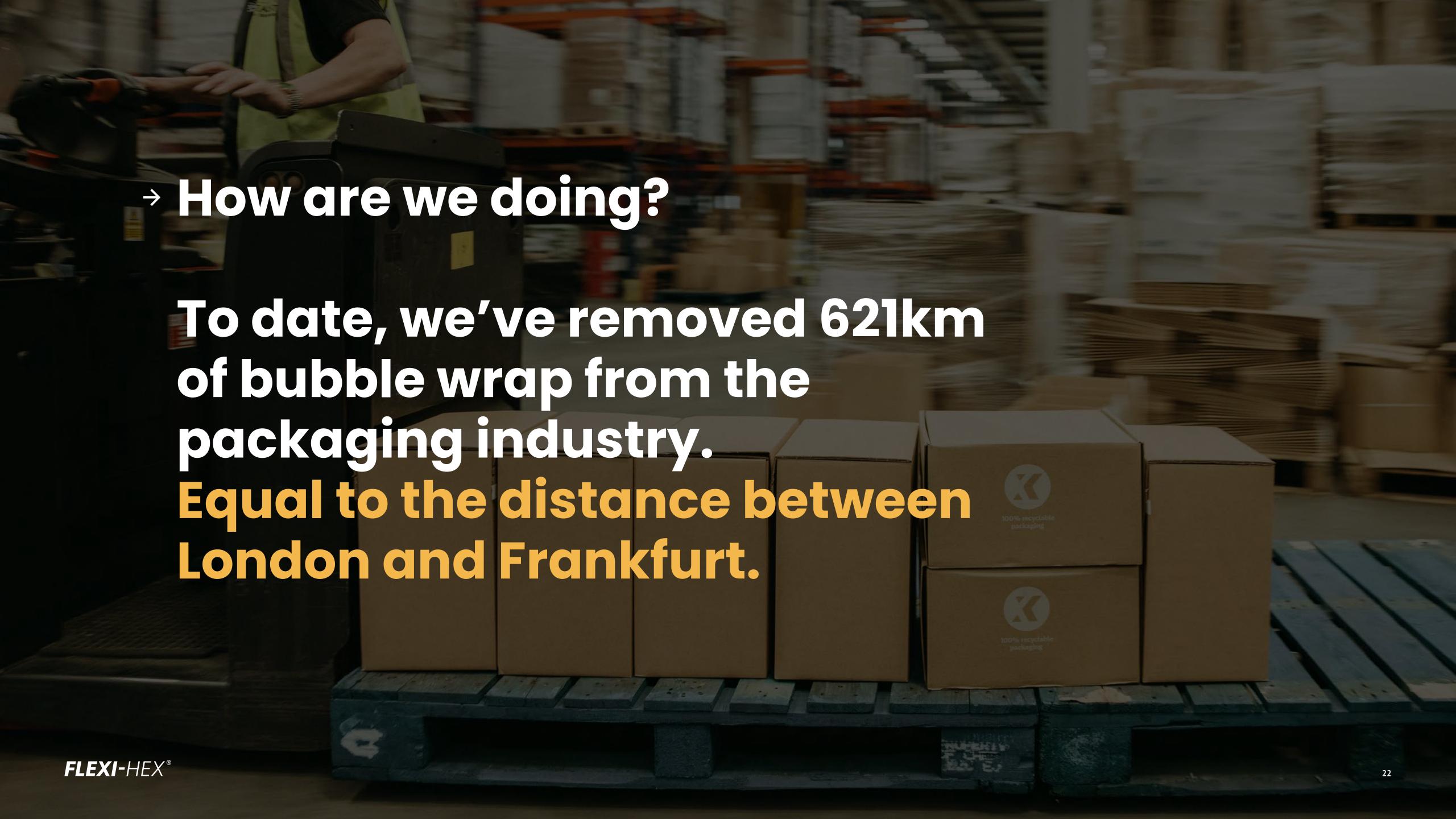
## Europe

With increasing demand coming from across Europe, we are strategically building a distribution network across key countries. We are currently working with several leading brands and partners who offer high levels of customer service and that final mile delivery of Flexi-Hex.

#### Asia & Australasia

We have a strong network of distributors already in place across select countries in Asia and Australasia and are continuing to develop on this with a large number of in-bound enquiries and interest.





## Proud to work with























# The Team



Based in Cornwall, we're proud to have a small but mighty team working towards a common goal of protecting our marine environments.



OUR SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

# Carbon Negative

At Flexi-Hex, we consider our impact on the planet at every level. While we can't be perfect, we want to be ambitious with our commitment to protecting the earth.

When it comes to carbon, we go past the idea of neutrality and are currently carbon negative. Though we strive to reduce the amount of carbon we produce in the first place, where we can't, we offset with Mossy Earth. This fantastic organisation are busy planting native trees for us in Ireland, helping to restore one of their key ecosystems.



# Our Promise



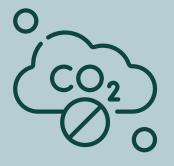
### Remove Plastics

Our mission is to reduce global plastic production within the packaging industry and replace with paperbased alternatives. We ensure all of our packaging materials come from sustainable sources and are fully recyclable at the end of their life.



## Waves of Change

Born out of a love for the sea, we pledge to create packaging solutions which will have a high impact on businesses and a low impact on the ocean, whilst helping to provide awareness of the continued threats to our marine environments.



## Smaller Footprint

As a business, we realise we have a responsibility to act. That's why every stage of our supply chain is carbon considered and we're committed to making the best products using the least possible resources.



