QUALITY CONTROL
To secure constant quality and development of our products, our QC staff, who are experts in their fields, capable of the newest techniques, highly experienced and have absorbed the quality mentality, are lifting all necessary quality control measures to the highest level, which starts at the raw material and continues throughout all production processes in our most modern microbiological, physical and chemical analysis laboratories, which are equipped with the most sensitive units.

DURAK QUALITY CONTROL AND QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS
In our facilities the ISO 9001: 2000 (Quality Management System), ISO 22000: 2005 (Food Safety Management System Standard), ISO 14001: 2004 (Environmental Management Systems) and BRC (Global Standard for Food Safety) requirements are being applied. With these systems, which are certified by TÜV Rheinland, the safe production of our products are being guaranteed by securing that, starting right at our suppliers, the raw material purchasing and all production processes and the storage and shipment stages are at a proper and constantly developing quality in terms of local and international standards and observing all food safety risks at critical points.

In order to avoid cross contamination, our roasting plant has been separated physically into dirty, semi-clean and clean areas. All necessary facilities to secure that the employees enter each area with the clothes designated for that area and comply to requirements, such as hand washing, disinfection and change of clothes at transition from one area to another, are installed.

PRODUCTS
We supply all calibres and types of Raw and Roasted Hazelnuts. Raw Hazelnuts are produced according to the Turkish Standard TS 3075 or if requested per customer specifications.

Roasted Whole Hazelnuts, Roasted Diced Hazelnuts and Hazelnut Pastes are produced according to customer specifications or if requested per standard Durak specifications.
PLANTS

The 3 Cracking Plants and 1 Processing Plant of our company cover a total area of 120,000 m² and a total closed area of 50,000 m².

The raw hazelnut kernels, which are cracked at one of our cracking plants and sorted per De-Stoners, SEA Sound Resonance sorters, Laser sorters and manual last control, are transferred to our processing plant.

At our World-standard processing plant, HACCP requirements and EU rules are applied. Microbiological, Foreign Material and Chemical risks within the system are eliminated per most up-to-date sorting, roasting and strict control measures.

PROCESSING PLANT

Our Processing Plant, which is equipped with the latest technology and where the highest hygienic standards are applied, is BRC A-Level, ISO 22000 HACCP and ISO 14001 certified and is with 3 Roasting lines, 2 Dicing lines and 3 Paste production lines one of the largest hazelnut processing plants in Turkey and the World. The annual production capacity is 26,000 tons and the storage capacity is 8,000 tons.

CRACKING PLANT

Our company has with 3 Cracking plants located at the Eastern and Western Blacksea regions one of the largest Raw Hazelnuts production capacities in Turkey and the World. The annual production capacity is 60,000 tons and the storage capacity is 35,000 tons. Our cracking plants have one of the most comprehensive sorting facilities, equipped with the latest technology, in Turkey.
VISION
- Provide customer oriented service,
- Provide service on time, complete and undamaged,
- Be beneficial to society, the environment and humanity,
- Apply the quality management system with utmost care and pursue continuous restoration and development,
- Be always a benchmark and preferred company,
- Ensure the sustainability of these principles and share its happiness with our customers, employer and employees.

MISSION
To process Turkish hazelnuts at the best quality and promote it and its taste to the world.
PRODUCTS

PROCESSED HAZELNUTS

ROASTED WHOLE HAZELNUT KERNELS
This product is being produced by roasting Raw Hazelnut Kernels. It can be produced at a desired roasting degree, such as Light, Medium or Dark Roasted. Similarly, the skin content of the roasted hazelnut kernels can be determined according to a desired rate, up to almost skinless. This product is mainly used in the chocolate and snack industry.

ROASTED DICED HAZELNUT KERNELS
This product is being produced by dicing Roasted Hazelnut Kernels into milimetric calibrations, such as 2-4 mm, 3-5 mm etc with automated high-tech dicing machines.
This product is mainly used in the chocolate, biscuit and bakery industry.

HAZELNUT PASTE
This product is being produced by milling 100% Roasted Hazelnut Kernels into a fine paste.
This product is mainly used in the chocolate, biscuit, bakery and ice-cream industry.

ORGANIC HAZELNUTS
All of our products can be supplied as Organic BIO-EU, NOP and BIO-SUISSE certified by IMO Swiss AG and IMO-Turkey.

RAW HAZELNUT KERNELS

RAW HAZELNUT KERNELS
This product is the kernel cracked out of the hazelnut in-shell. Hazelnut Kernels are in general classified as Extra, Class 1 and Class 2. The main calibrations are 9-11 mm, 11-13 mm and 13-15 mm, while intermediary calibrations are also possible. Raw Hazelnuts are in general produced according to the Turkish Standard TS 3075, while special customer specifications are also possible.

ORGANIC HAZELNUTS
All of our products can be supplied as Organic BIO-EU, NOP and BIO-SUISSE certified by IMO Swiss AG and IMO-Turkey.
1960  Mr Mehmet Ali DURAK establishes the DURAK hazelnut company with his brother and opens the first cracking plant in Unye/Ordu.

1969  First direct exports to Germany.

1979  Mr Mehmet Ali Durak deceases. His son Mr Hasan Basri Durak takes the lead of the 100% family company.

1991  The second hazelnut cracking plant is established in Terme/Samsun. Production of Organic Raw Hazelnuts (as a contractor).

2001  The third hazelnut cracking plant in Hendek/Sakarya has been established, to increase the product assortment by producing Ackakoca variety hazelnuts.

2004  The ISO 9001:2000 Quality Certificate has been received.

2006  The hazelnut processing plant of Cargill - one of the pioneer firms in the international food sector - in Hendek/Sakarya has been purchased and high quality processed hazelnuts has been added to the product range.

Renovations at the Processing Plant
  - Cold Storage (2500 mt)
  - Complete insulation of the Processing Plant and warehouses.
  - 2nd Paste Production line
  - 1 new Laser Sorter (Processing Plant)
  - 4 new Laser Sorters (Cracking Plants)
  - Temperature control at the palletizing area
  - Complete closure of the loading area
  - Complete overhaul of the external areas

2007  The ISO 22000: 2005 (Food Safety Management System Standard) HACCP certification has been obtained (TÜV RHEINLAND).

2008  The BRC A–Grade certification has been obtained (TÜV RHEINLAND). Production of Organic Raw & Roasted Hazelnuts (own project, 1200 mt/year).

2010  According to the Istanbul Chamber of Industry, Durak has become with a turnover of TL 201,032,021,- (US$ 134,000,000,-) in 2010, the 2nd largest Hazelnut company and 295th largest company in Turkey.

2010  A New 2400 m² State of the Art Sorting Hall and intermediate storage area at the Cracking Plant in Hendek.
  - 2 Sorting Lines (130-150 mt/day):
  - 2 De-Stoners
  - 4 SEA Sound Resonance Sorters
  - 4 Laser Sorters
  - 2 Manual Sorting Tables
  - Additional renovations at the Processing Plant:
    - 3rd Laser Sorter
    - 3rd Skin Remover
    - Complete New SS Sorting Tables
    - Complete New Product Elevators

2011  The cracking and storage capacity of the Terme Cracking plant has been increased by 35%.

2011  According to the Istanbul Chamber of Industry, Durak became with a turnover of TL 364,891,188,- (US$ 208,509,250,-) in 2011, the 2nd largest Hazelnut company and 211th largest company in Turkey.

2012  The ISO 14001 Environmental Management Cert. (TÜV RHEINLAND) has been obtained.

2012  A new production hall of 4000 m² with a second roasting line and a second dicing line has been built.

2012  According to the Istanbul Chamber of Industry, Durak became with a turnover of TL 347,107,712,- (US$ 198,347,264,-) in 2012, the 2nd largest Hazelnut company and 242nd largest company in Turkey.

2013  The storage capacity at the Processing Plant has been extended by 6000 m², out of which 1700 m² is cooled storage.

2013  A third paste production line has been built, which increased the paste production capacity by 100%.

2013  A third roasting line has been built.

2013  The Ünye Fiskobirlik Cracking Plant (21,000 m², 10,000 m² closed area, 15,000 mt storage) has been purchased.

2013  According to the Istanbul Chamber of Industry, Durak became with a turnover of TL 421,861,185,- (US$ 220,869,730,-) in 2013, the 2nd largest Hazelnut company and 204th largest company in Turkey.
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