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Founded in 2018 by food-loving friends Max Rees and Ed Hauck, The Curators began with a vision to disrupt savoury snacking and stand for innovation in both flavour and nutrition. In short, we wanted to cut through the wall of unhealthy crisps, building a brand that could inspire people to be more active and give them the fuel to do it.









TO BUILD THE UK'S LEADING FUNCTIONAL SAVOURY SNACKS BRAND FOR MODERN ACTIVE CONSUMERS, CREATING PRODUCTS WITH BOLD FLAVOUR, BIG NUTRITION.





Back in 2018, B-Corp was a relatively fledgling model but something that really interested us, having seen some fantastic challenger brands lead the charge, promoting a better way of doing business.



We have some fantastic partners in place around food waste and poverty including the Felix Project and FareShare and our Chair, Gavin, is also the Chair of The Felix Project so the motivations of our team are uniquely aligned all the way through.





OUR BILTONG IS 100%
POWERED BY SOLAR
ENERGY & OUR CHEESIES
ARE MADE USING 100%
WIND ENERGY.

These are clearly small steps in the bigger challenge of global climate change but it has to start somewhere right?

AS A TEAM, WE ARE COMMITTED TO THIS MOVEMENT & WE COULDN'T BE MORE EXCITED ABOUT BUILDING THIS FURTHER IN 2024.





Step into our impact time machine! Wondering what we've been up to the past few years? Let us run you through some key highlights on our journey to drive positive change.

## 2018







#### **FOUNDATION**

The Curators was founded by food-loving friends Ed & Max! We also became a member of SEDEX!

#### SAINSBURY'S LAUNCH

Our range of Beef Jerky launched into Sainsbury's on a Future Brands Scheme.

#### **ACTIVE MONDAYS**

We launched Active Mondays to keep both our mental and physical health fit - part of The Curators DNA.







#### **FARESHARE**

We started donating our snacks to FareShare - the UK's largest charity fighting food waste.

#### GREAT TASTE AWARD

Our Beef Biltong gaining a Great Taste Award was a huge milestone!

## 2020



#### **NO.1 PROTEIN CRISP**

Amazon shoppers said YES to supercharging their snacks, making us the UK's No.1 Protein Crisp!





### 2020



#### PAPER PACKAGING

We launched our Nuts range into an industry leading paper pack and Smoky BBQ Almonds gained a Great Taste Award.

## 2021





#### THE FELIX PROJECT

We started volunteering with The Felix Project who help feed local communities across London.

#### OPRL PACKAGING

We joined OPRL to improve our recycling label guidance to help consumers recycle packaging better!

## 2022





#### **B-CORP CERTIFICATION**

We became a B-Corp and joined the best gang of businesses out there.

#### CLIMATE PARTNER

Started working with Climate Partners to evaluate our carbon footprint, with aim to reduce where possible & offset what we cannot eliminate.

## 2023







#### **CHEESIES**

Acquired Cheesies to join The Curators family - these amazing snacks are popped with 100% wind energy.

#### THE DAISY GARLAND

We continued to donate our snacks to The Daisy Garland foundation to help children with a rare form of epilepsy.

#### **VEGGIE PUFFS**

Launch of our Veggie Puffs - 100% Vegan, Gluten Free and with 10g protein in every bag.

## THE CURATORS CARE



#### **B-CORP**

There are now 1,900+ B-Corps in the UK and we're BEYOND proud to be one of them! Here's the team looking proud as punch on the day we found out!



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#### **FARESHARE**

We are a FareShare 'Leading Food Partner', which means that we provide nutritious, healthy food to families at risk of hunger while reducing food waste.



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#### **FARESHARE IMPACT**

Across 2023, we saved 3.6 tonnes of food from landfill, prevented 7.7 tonnes of CO2e from waste and donated to 1,022 charities - that's 8,500 meals.



#### THE FELIX PROJECT

We love supporting the Felix Project's brilliant work! With over 100 hours volunteered last year, we're looking forward to topping that in 2024!

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PORK PUFFS

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### EVER WONDERED WHAT BEING A 'B-CORP' ACTUALLY IS?



To become a B-Corp, a company has to pass a bunch of rigorous tests and show that they care about treating their employees well, being environmentally friendly, and making a positive impact on the world.

As of Dec 2022, we became one of them! It was a huge moment for us as a business, showing that we really do 'walk the walk'. It's a testament to our commitment to be a better business while making the best high protein snacks around!

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**OUR SCORE** 







Companies are meticulously measured on 5 key areas (below) in a B-Corp Impact Assessment. We're incredibly proud of where we are now, but becoming a B-Corp was just the beginning of our impact journey. We know we're not perfect, but we're always striving to do better!





#### **GOVERNANCE**

How well do we govern our workplace and does it align to our overall mission? This is all about transparency and accountability for financial, social and environmental performance.



#### **WORKERS**

Priotising employee wellbeing: we must offer fair and adequate compensation, benefits and training. Workplace health and safety commitments are also important here!



#### **COMMUNITY**

Businesses play a key role in communities. It's important for us to engage local suppliers, support diversity and inclusivity as well as charitable giving.



#### **ENVIRONMENT**

We are assessed on all environmental impacts and practices such as environmental footprint analysis, energy efficiency and waste management. This is a big focus for us in 2024. Keep on reading!



#### **CUSTOMERS**

We must be customer-centric so we are assessed on factors such as customer satisfaction, accessibility, and value to the customer.





#### **WE'RE REALLY PROUD OF IN 2023**

#### **LAUNCHING INNOVATION**

Our amazing new Veggie Puffs are made from peas which naturally have a low water footprint vs similar crops (1/2 the footprint of corn!). Peas add nitrogen to the soil and are used in crop rotations which help improve soil health by reducing the build up of pests and diseases!





#### **ACQUIRING CHEESIES**

Acquiring Cheesies in Jan 2023 meant that by June, we had consolidated two warehouses into one and combined joint customers orders - hello emissions savings while delivering better service to our customers! Nailed it.

#### **EMPLOYEE EMI SCHEME**

All our team are enrolled on our EMI (Enterprise Management Incentive) option scheme which is essentially means all employees become partial owners of the company - even more motivation to build the business as a force for good.





#### **OFFSETTING CARBON FOOTPRINT**

In collaboration with Climate Partner, we calculated our Corporate Carbon Footprint for full year 2022, identified ways to reduce our impact (Eurostar vs flying!) and offset the remains carbon we could not eliminate! Read on to find out how we offset our carbon footprint. We're already speedily working on our full year 2023 assessment!

#### RECYCLABLE PACKAGING

Our range is 80% recyclable but we are working VERY hard to get that to 100% as soon as possible! In 2023 we trialled a new recyclable Biltong film, which we hope to have hitting shelves in 2024! Watch this space.







WE'RE REALLY EXCITED FOR IN 2024

#### PRODUCT CARBON FOOTPRINT

Since we've got our CCF nailed, it's time to get our Products measured up! This means calculating the carbon of our raw materials, logistics and packaging to reduce where possible and get our snacks made with the least impact on the planet!





#### **NEW OFFICE SPACE**

As of Feb 2024, we moved into our first dedicated office space. This means we can now monitor water, energy and waste more efficiently as well as more team coffees and traybake Tuesdays!

#### **EMPLOYEE WELL-BEING SCHEME**

Being active is a key part of The Curators DNA so in addition to gym membership provided, we're working on an employee well-being scheme - such as cycle-to-work scheme and employee rewards programme for staying fit!





#### **SUPPLIER COLLABORATION**

We're incredibly proud of the brilliant manufacturing partners we have and we're excited to build on the relationships further through sustainable sourcing, production efficiencies and supply chain transparency - as a B-Corp we must always have a continuous improvement mindset!

#### MATERNITY & PATERNITY LEAVE

We're already working on enhancing our current maternity & paternity policy as well as including shared leave with a partner.



## CRUNCHING OUR CARBON



#### **CALCUATING EMISSIONS**

To reduce our carbon emissions, we must first calculate them. Yes, this meant calculating how many trains we caught, electricity used and coffees drunk! In 2022 we used 8.27 tonne CO2, which is 45% lower than the average UK SME (small-medium enterprise)\*, good thing our team love public transport!



\*based on the The Carbon Trust SME Carbon Footprint Calculator



#### **OFFSETTING EMISSIONS**

To offset our emissions in 2022, we worked with Climate Partners to invest in emPOWERing Africa which is a climate project which focuses on implementing renewable energy technologies across Africa.

## BEING A CURATOR



At The Curators, we're all about nurturing a culture that supports one another, brings positivity, and embraces each person's individuality in an energetic work setting!



FROM THE VERY
BEGINNING, OUR
CORE VALUES HAVE
BEEN PRESENT IN
EVERYTHING THAT
WE DO

Being FOOD ENTHUSUASTS without any hint of pretentiousness
Displaying a PROACTIVE and competitive spirit with unwavering honesty and integrity
Embracing BOLDNESS and innovation

Fostering a SOCIABLE and supportive atmosphere
Championing KINDNESS towards each other and the environment





UNLIMITED SUPPLY OF PROTEIN SNACKS





FREE GYM MEMBERSHIP & MONTHLY ACTIVE SESSIONS

2 PAID VOLUNTEERING DAYS PER YEAR





SUMMER & CHRISTMAS PARTIES TO CELEBRATE THE WINS!

HEALTH & SAFETY TRAINING







2,000+ 5\* REVIEWS amazon



Absolutely delicious - an excellent high protein product. Best Biltong yet! - Adam \*\*\*\*\*

These taste like high protein Wotsits. Incredible crunch too! - Rich







These are a gorgeous little hit of crunchy, cheesy goodness, without the guilt of a gazillion calories being consumed. But is one pack enough. Not on our nelly. - Michaela













Please do get in touch via hello@wearethecurators.com as we love hearing all about your snacking with impact moments!'

THANKS A BUNCH FOR CHECKING OUT OUR 2022/23 IMPACT REPORT AND JOINING US ON THIS ADVENTURE!



YOUR SUPPORT MEANS THE WORLD - WE ABSOLUTELY CAN'T DO THIS WITHOUT YOU! HOLD ONTO YOUR PROTEIN SNACKS BECAUSE THERE'S A WHOLE LOT OF CRUNCH WITH A PUNCH HEADING YOUR WAY - STAY TUNED!