CROFTER'S

The Organic Specialists

"The most natural food is fruit"

Family owned, Crofters is Canadian: "Bears love berries almost as much as we do, and the most natural food is fruit"

Certified organic, Crofter's makes the best tasting, nutritious, organic fruit spreads possible with 1/3 less sugar than traditional preserves, gluten free and all spreads meet all categories of vegetarian including vegan.

Crofter's has been a certified organic manufacturer since 1990, years before any North American regulatory requirements for organic products were in effect. Crofters has always had a strong dedication to product development and innovation, while building upon a deep knowledge of food production.

Crofter's Food Ltd. set up shop in Parry Sound in 1989 and was a small start-up company employing 4 people. Crofters was one of the first in Canada to manufacture almost exclusively organic products; supplying natural and organic food markets with reduced sugar products long before the popularity of the low carb diet, and the recent scientific opinion to reduce sugar consumption. A step ahead of the GAME! Wow!

Crofters quickly grew with a plant capacity at close to 100%. Phase 1 expansion in 2013, included a new pre-processing warehouse facility of 22,000 sq.ft. This new facility created 4 more permanent jobs in the Parry Sound area.

Phase 2 expansion in 2014, added an additional 25,000 sq.ft. and created 4 more permanent jobs in the Parry Sound area.

Phase 3 investment and completion in 2016 created 13 new permanent job positions in the Parry Sound and area.

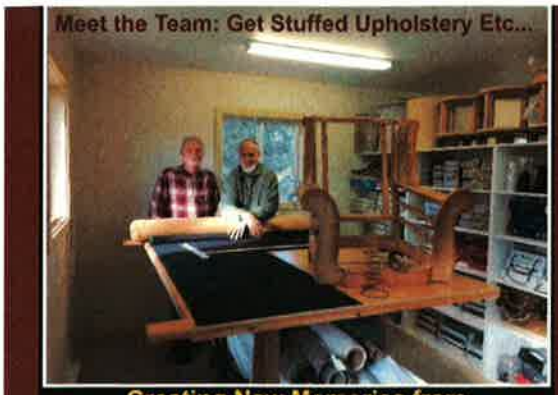
The expansions and company growth would not have been possible without the support, continued partnership and lending services from all levels of government; federal, provincial and local: FedNor, NOHFC (Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation), CB&DC (Parry Sound Community Business Development Centre), lending services. Gerhard Latka, Crofter's Food Ltd. quoted, "during Crofter's $14.6 million expansion project we had drawn down our bank loan and required more funds for process equipment, the CB&DC was there to provide a loan that helped our company complete the expansion."

CBDC wants to make the Parry Sound region a thriving economic hub for those living and visiting. This is accomplished by providing loans to assist both start-up & existing businesses. Since opening its doors in 1987 the CBDC has approved over 528 loans, valuing over 45 million dollars. The CBDC has created & assisted in maintaining 2173 jobs in the local area. Contact the CBDC today to see your business dreams become a reality.

Crofters now employs over 57 people making them one of the largest employers in the Parry Sound area. Crofters is a vital supporter to the Parry Sound and surrounding communities. In the 2016 Holiday Season 5000 jars of jam were donated to local food banks and community initiatives, Harvest Share.

Today Crofters organic fruit spreads are distributed in both natural and conventional channels throughout Canada and the US. Crofters is the leading brand in the US Natural channel, more than doubling sales of the nearest competitor and continues strong annual growth.

The most natural food is fruit – look for your jar of Crofter's today.



Get Stuffed Upholstery Etc…

"Transforming your Treasured Heirlooms"

Custom Upholstery
Antique Repair & Refinishing Etc.
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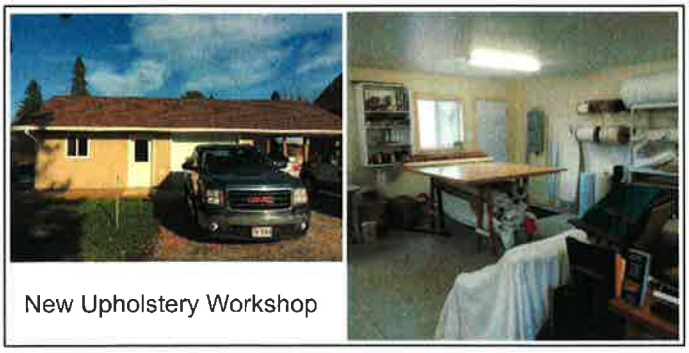
"Memories of Gramma in her old Chair" bring back warm feelings of home for many of us. Cherished heirlooms fill our homes & cottages with recollections of days past. Transforming our old treasures into 'new' is the mission of Get Stuffed Upholstery.

Get Stuffed Upholstery team, Victor & Randy, relocated in 2011 from the Hamilton, Ontario area & established their business in Ahmic Harbour. Victor & Randy turned a lifelong passion for antiques and interior design into reality. Their extensive restoration experience provides high quality upholstery & antique refinishing for treasured heirlooms. From custom furniture re-upholstery, cushions - all sizes and shapes - indoor and outdoor, slipcovers, ottomans, upholstery supplies for the hobbyist, to a large selection of fabrics. There is a large investment in Get Stuffed, along with immense feeling of community they serve.


New Upholstery Workshop

Serving the local area and primarily the seasonal residents, in addition to, liaising with local contractors, word of mouth referral & a strong social media presence Victor & Randy are hard-at-work. Some of the local families and cottages date back to the 1800's and contain various cherished heirlooms.

As time passed, quickly the aspirations of the team & clientele had grown and an additional workshop was built in 2015 on site to service the expanding customer base. This expansion would not have been possible without the support. of the CBDC lending services. Each treasured piece of furniture comes with a story & memory. They have created a sense of community, & work one-on-one with clients to ensure the memory is restored with quality workmanship. Passion, skill, quality materials and Victor's creative touch all come together.

Victor emphasizes how the Parry Sound Community Business Development Centre (CBDC) really focus on local community & job creation. "They fill a huge gap that traditional banks cannot service, & we definitely see a continued partnership with them in the future. Their support enabled us to build an onsite workshop & expand our business to the next level."

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Have that cherished piece of furniture with memories? Contact Get Stuffed Upholstery. Rebuilding & restoring your much-loved remembrances & heirlooms can be a reality.