

## **De Bondt B.V. chooses Vanderlande's FASTPICK to support global growth.**

**Tynaarlo, The Netherlands, 20 September 2022** - De Bondt B.V. has an automated FASTPICK goods-to-person (GtP) solution. The logistic process has been implemented by Vanderlande, who provide future-proof automation to wholesalers, airports and parcel services worldwide. The system uses innovative ADAPTO shuttle technology to automatically pick goods from the warehouse in Tynaarlo where it has been installed and is undergoing the optimisation phase.

To retain a competitive advantage, De Bondt B.V. needed a flexible and scalable solution to make order picking and packing more efficient and reduce the risk of error. The family-owned company, known for its yarn brand 'Scheepjes', supplies retailers and resellers in more than 70 countries worldwide and is experiencing substantial growth. It is striving to make sustainable choices while continuing to offer excellent service and maintaining strong growth. To be ready for the challenges of the future, the company chose Vanderlande's FASTPICK.

A significant part of De Bondt B.V.'s warehouse is automated, thanks to ADAPTO, Vanderlande's AS/RS, Automated Storage and Retrieval Shuttle system. Multi-compartment totes carry items to the ergonomic picking stations in the appropriate order.

ADAPTO offers De Bondt B.V. an initial capacity of over 20,000 storage locations, that can be flexibly divided into compartments, storing up to 8 different products. In peak periods, up to 1,200 items can be picked per hour. Capacity will be increased during the optimisation phase and is scalable, with the potential to accommodate up to 160,000 storage locations.

Workstations are ergonomically designed and multifunctional to support performance and improve working conditions and wellbeing. Operators can pick orders directly to the box in one efficient operation. As part of the automated process, boxes are constructed, sized and sealed to reduce shipping costs and minimise the need for filler. Address labels and convenient content lists are automatically attached.

"With FASTPICK, we optimise the quality of our service to our customers. This allows us to deliver orders faster and more completely with less packaging material," says Job de Bondt, Managing Director of De Bondt B.V. "With this investment, we are more than ready for the future!"

Terry Verkuijlen, Vanderlande's Vice President Warehouse Solutions, added: "We are proud to partner with one of the biggest players in this sector and deliver our innovative FASTPICK solution. We are convinced that this will not only help De Bondt B.V. maintain its market-leading position, but also provide its customers with the high level of service they now expect from the company. Our FASTPICK solution perfectly meets De Bondt B.V.'s needs and ensures that the company is now truly prepared for the future."

### **De Bondt Company Profile**

*Family business De Bondt BV is the largest combined haberdashery and yarn wholesaler in Europe. Offering an extensive range of items spread across many brands, collections also include own labels, notably world-renowned yarn brand Scheepjes. Service is paramount, provided through an intuitive website, fast delivery and a supportive, knowledgeable customer service team. Supplying worldwide from Tynaarlo, Netherlands, De Bondt is the one-stop-stop for retailers in the handicraft sector.*

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