

CATALOGUE
FINNISH MATCH FACTORIES



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Dear collector

Although the match industry has long traditions in Finland since the last half a century, there are very few historical facts available.

As several factories have been small and they have been in production only a short time, this has complicated the gathering of the historical material afterwards.

The interest in collecting match labels has increased the interest in the history of the match industry. The information accessible has been recorded and closer details concerning the older factories have been checked in the archives. The facts about the exact years of activity might be defective.

Eventual amendments will be informed later on

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Started	Closed	The name of the factory	Situated, in
1.	1840 - 1870	Vassilje Moldäkoff	Kuopio
2.	1840 - unknown	Uleå Tändstiksfabrik Bolag	Oulu
3.	1842 - 1864	Johan Gottberg factory	Helsinki
4.	1844 - unknown	Jernefelts Tändsticksfabrik	Turku
5.	1845 - 1853	Mikael Kurotschkin factory	Helsinki
6.	1846 - 1856	A.F.Bergman factory	Helsinki
7.	1850 - 1851	V.L.Schauman factory	Pietarsaari
8.	1850 - 1854	C.J.Thoden and J.Häthen factory	Pietarsaari
9.	1850 - 1852	Anian Wellroos factory	Pori
10.	1850 - unknown	G.A.Kålman factory	Helsinki
11.	1851 - 1865	Hampus Julius Oldenburg & co	Pori
12.	1852 - unknown	Niilo Ferdinand Ranius factory	Hämeenlinna
13.	1852 - 1863	Henrik Eliander factory	Tampere
14.	1853 - 1894	Fredrik Richard factory	Viipuri
15.	1853 - 1873	Carl Gustaf Langeen factory	Helsinki
16.	1856 - 1865	Tampereen Tulitikkutehdas A.S.Lauren 1853-1864, K.O.Lauren 1864-1865.	Tampere
17.	1858 - 1859	Tändsticksfabrik i Jakobstad New discoveries prove this in all probability was a Schauman	Pietarsaari
18.	In the 1850	There was a factory at Tikkuvuori, Kärsämäki village. Burnt down.	Turku
19.	1860 - 1865	Laurenin Tulitikkutehdas	Pori
20.	1861 - 1972	Porin Tulitikkutehdas Oy- Björneborgs Tändsticksfabrik Ab	Pori
21.	1863 - 1900	C.G.Clouberg factory	Viipuri

22.	1863 - 1867	A.Baeck factory Strengberg,member of the magistrates court,1867-1872. Lars Johan Peldan 1872-1873 different owners operating till 1880. SSK Jacobstad's Fabrik.No informations, one matchbox is known Strengberg Tobacco Factory Ltd.has presumably also been in the match branch.	Pietarsaari
23.	1865 - 1870	R.Ryynänen and M.Smirnoff factory	Joensuu
24.	1866 - 1909	Tampereen Tulitikkutehdas Oy Match production ended 1906.	Tampere
25.	1866 - 1868	C.J.Wikberg factory	Sipoo
26.	1867 - 1869	Larssonin Tulitikkutehdas	Pori
27.	1870 - unknown	Gamlakarleby Tändsticksfabrik Carl and Ernst Forseen 1870- end of the 1870's. Th.Wallin 1886-1908.	Kokkola
28.	1870 - 1910	Nykarleby Tändsticksfabrik	Uusikaarlepyy
29.	1870 - 1880	J.Silventoinen Ingman & Harlin	Kuopio
30.	1870 - 1876	Karis Tändsticksfabrik	Karjaa
31.	1871 - 1876	Koskenpään Tulitikkutehdas	Koskenpää
32.	1872 - 1874	Nystads Tändsticksfabrik G.A.Saclen	Uusikaupunki
33.	1872 - unknown	Lydecken factory	Viipuri
34.	1873 - 1926	Mäntsälän Tulitikkutehdas Nilo Ferdinand Ranius and Viktor Ferdinand Bäcman 1873-1877. Frans Holmberg 1877-1910. Herman Holmberg 1910-1926. 1926 name changed to Mäntsälän Tulitikkutehdas Oy- Mäntsälä Tändsticksfabrik Ab. Labels with text J.A.Holmberg,Mäntsälä, are unknown which factory they belong to.	Mäntsälä

35.	1874 - 1880	Helsingin Tulitikkutehdas Oy- Helsingfors Tändsticksfabrik	Helsinki
36.	1874 - 1880	Uleåborgs Tändsticksfabrik	Oulu
37.	1874 - unknown	P.Schabarin factory	Hamina
38.	1875 - 1925	Alastaron Tulitikkutehdas Oy In 1925 name changed to Vakkasuomen Tulitikkutehdas, closed down on january 14 th, 1928. No match production 1925-1928	Alastaro
39.	1875 - 1891	I.A.Schuschin factory There was also a factory in St.Petersburg.	Viipuri
40.	1875 - 1905	Turun Uusi Tulitikkutehdas	Turku
41.	1876 - 1884	Ekenäs Tändsticksfabrik Aktiebolag	Tammisaari
42.	1878 - 1918	Sääksjärven Tulitikkutehdas, Gestrin & Co	Mäntsälä
43.	1878 - 1905	K.Jakoleff factory	Viipuri
44.	1880 - 1890	No documents showing match production are saved as the area is lost to Soviet Union.Nevertheless there are some facts of persons indicating match production took place during 1880-1890.	Sortavala
45.	1880 - 1915	Oy Birger Hallman	Kuopio
46.	1890 - 1912	Jaakko Katila factory	Nurmo
47.	1890 - 1914	Waasan Tulitikkutehdas Oy	Nurmo
48.	1890 - unknown	C.J.Ahlberg Known at least in 1890.	Pukkila
49.	1891 - 1897	Sääksjärven Uusi Tulitikkutehdas, Antti Hanen	Mäntsälä
50.	1897 - unknown	Keinäsen Tulitikkutehdas	Kuopio
51.	1897 - 1901	Kuopion Tehdas Oy	Kuopio

52.	1898 - 1900	Väinölän Tulitikkutehdas, Juhola brothers	Mäntsälä
53.	1900 - 1910	Thesleff & Co estate at Saimaa canal about 1900-1910.	Juustila
54.	1900 - 1915	Juho and Oskar Jussila & Adolf Metsä	Mäntsälä
55.	1904 - 1913	Kalle and Albert Gestrinin Tulitikkutehdas	Mäntsälä
56.	1904 - 1927	Tulitikkutehdas Kaleva Juhola brothers	Mäntsälä
57.	1904 - 1934	Saaren Tulitikkutehdas- Saaris Tändsticksfabrik, Rikhard Casimir de la Chapelle. Founded at Saaren Kartano estate in 1904. Knut de la Chapelle 1916-1934. Independ till 1934. In the year 1934 name was changed to Saaren Tulitikkutehdas Oy- Ab Saaris Tändsticksfabrik.	Mäntsälä
58.	1904 - 1918	Kelkkalan Tulitikkutehdas	Viipuri
59.	1905 - 1911	Turun Tulitikkutehdas	Turku
60.	1905 - 1919	Wiipurin Tulitikkutehdas Oy	Viipuri
61.	1905 - 1916	Pohjolan Tulitikkutehdas	Taivalkoski
62.	1905 - 1913	Åbo-Björneborg-Tammerfors Tändsticksfabrik Aktiebolag on March 9, 1905 started a coalition company of three Match Factories. Name in use till 1913. No labels with above text.	
63.	1911 - 1913	Kolhon Tulitikku ja Teknokemiallinen Tehdas Oy	Kolho
64.	1912 - 1913	Ida Helena Stenvall Oct. 1912-Nov 1913.	Pori
65.	1913 - unknown	Lappträskin Tulitikkutehdas	Lappträsk

66.	1913 - 1916	Keuruun Tulitikkutehdas Oy	Kolho
67.	1914 - unknown	Räsälä factory No informations, nobody seem to recognize this factory. Has there ever been anyone.	Unknown
68.	1915 - 1937	Savo Oy	Kuopio
69.	1916 - 1920	Tikkutehdas Oy, Helsinki-Stikckfabrik Ab, Helsingfors	Helsinki
70.	1916 - 1969	SOK Match production started in 1919.	Vaajakoski
71.	1919 - 1937	Suomen Tulitikkutehdas	Viipuri
72.	1920 - unknown	Tampereen Tulitikkupakkaamo A wholesale trading company.	Tampere
73.	1923 - 1925	Tulitikkutehdas Häme Oy	Hämeenlinna
74.	1925 - 1956	Kauppiaitten Teollisuus Oy from May 1 st 1956 name changed to Kesko Oy	Lahti
75.	1926 - 1969	OTK Tulitikkutehdas	Tampere
76.	1926 - 1928	Mäntsälän Tulitikkutehdas Oy-Mäntsälän Tändsticksfabrik Ab	Mäntsälä
77.	1928 - 1933	Jokela Oy	Jokela
78.	1933 - 1942	Tulitikku Oy	Jokela
79.	1934 - 1935	Saaren Tulitikkutehdas Oy-Ab Saaris Tändsticksfabrik. The company was bought by Swedish Match Trust and had no production. Completely broke down and closed in 1935	Mäntsälä
80.	1942 - 1981	Tukkukauppojen Oy Closed down on 31.12.1981	Jokela
81.	1956 - 1970	Kesko Oy Factory closed down in January 1970.	Lahti
82.	1969 -	Finn-Match Oy	Vaajakoski

unknown - unknown	No information. One single label with text Bock ist known. Possibly this is Pukkila factory written in Swedish.	Pukkila
unknown - unknown	Grefsbys Tändsticksfabrik, No information, one label is known.	Grefsbys
unknown - unknown	Duggist Olin factory	Kemi

Notice: 1,29,45,68 same factory, managed by several owners by several names.
 7,17,8,22
 18,40,59
 57,79
 74,81

factory n:o 70 SOK On the labels also the following names:
SOK Vaajakoski
SOK Vaajakosken Tehtaat
Suomen Osuuskauppojen Keskuskunta R.L

factory n:o 71 OTK On the labels also the following names:
Osuustukkukauppa
OTK-Helsinki
Osuustukkukauppa R.L

factory n:o 80 On the labels also the following names:
Tuko Oy
Tukkukauppojen Oy
There are also labels without mentioning the factory.

Finn-Match Oy
Vaajakoski
Jyväskylä
Jyväskylä MLK

Situated at the same place although the name of the place is changed.

Finnish bookmatches

So far are names of the following Match Factories known on the books. Of these listgare all 1) marked real factories with own production, the others are only changing names and in same cases names of some advertisement companies.

	Started Closed	Situated in
1)	1912 - 1920 F.Sergejeffin Tupakkatehdas, prindet by Viipurin Kirja ja Kivipaino Oy	Viipuri
1)	1922 - 1926 Helsingin Tulitikkutehdas Oy Ab Helsingfors Tändsticksfabrik	Helsinki
1)	1924 - 1927 Ab Bookmatches Oy	Jokela
1)	1924 - 1933 Huopalahden Tulitikkutehdas Oy Omega Ab	Helsinki
1)	1933 - unknown Oy Kartonki-Ab Kartong	Helsinki
1)	1953 - 1956 Mainostulitikkuyhtiö	Toijala
1)	1953 - Mainostikku Oy	Hamina
1)	1957 - 1959 Tikma	Hyvinkää
	1965 - 1970 Mainostuli	Turku
1)	Tukkukauppojen Oy	Helsinki
1)	Tulitikku Oy	Jokela
	Öhnje & Co Mainostikku	Hamina
	Tam-Mainos Oy	Tampere

