

Case Study

Soft Wheat Milling

Ocrim Expands Molini Valente's Soft Wheat Milling Capacity in Felizzano

Location: Felizzano, Alessandria, Italy

Client: Molini Valente S.p.A.

Supplier: Ocrim S.p.A.

Project: New 250-ton-per-24-hour soft wheat milling line

Commissioned: December 2025 (start-up following testing)

In Felizzano stands a six-level multi-storey building dedicated to grain processing, where technology is integral to daily operations. It is here that Molini Valente SpA has entrusted Ocrim SpA with a new chapter in its evolution: a 250-tonne-per-24-hour soft wheat milling line, completed in December 2025.

Project scope

The new plant has been designed to integrate into the existing production architecture. It receives wheat from the already operational and upgraded cleaning section, guiding it through the milling process up to the storage silos. The objective is to enable flexible production of different flour types using a milling diagram distinct from the existing section, organising production into successive batches for storage.

The plant produces high-quality flours for a wide range of bakery applications, ensuring maximum food safety and full traceability.

Client perspective

Andrea Valente, CEO of Molini Valente and past President of Italmopa, stated:

“This new step in increasing production capacity represents the completion of a growth path that has involved not only volumes, but also the value and quality of our products. A path that had already been outlined during the company’s design phase, starting from the construction of the Felizzano milling plant. Today, this milestone confirms the soundness and forward-looking vision of the original project and at the same time provides the foundation on which we can build the next phases of development, focused on innovation and continuous improvement.”

A two-decade partnership

For Ocrim, the Felizzano plant is not simply a production site. Since 1999 – when the first 400-tonne-per-24-hour milling plant, complete with its building, was constructed – it has represented a benchmark. Over time, it has also become a frequent stop for technical visitors and clients discovering Ocrim’s most significant projects.

Operational management, entrusted to Lorenzo Cavalli, keeps alive a tradition built on precision and continuity. The relationship between Andrea Valente and Alberto Antolini, CEO of Ocrim, is described as solid, discreet and concrete – a productive partnership based on vision, foresight and reliability.





Technical distinction

The 250-tonne-per-24-hour line stands out not only for its production capacity. Its distinctive feature lies in its integration: like a new movement within an already complex organism, it fits into a well-established flow while simultaneously enhancing and improving it.

The project represents the sum of many elements: know-how, technical dialogue, shared history and professional continuity – which, in the milling sector, carries as much weight as official certification.

Outlook

This new milling line sends a strong signal of evolutionary continuity. Molini Valente increases and refines its production capacity, while Ocrim confirms a design approach that places customer relationships at the forefront.

When a partnership lasts more than twenty years, there is no need to celebrate it – it simply becomes something to build upon, piece by piece, just like plants designed to stand the test of time.

