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BAHCO®
since 1886

ONE SHARED LEGACY



For the past 140 years, Bahco's legacy has been shaped by the hands, minds and dedication of our people. From engineers, designers, technicians and production teams to logistics, sales and support staff, every contribution has helped turn ideas into tools and innovation into reality.

We have created tools and solutions that respond to real needs and real challenges. From 1886, when Johan Petter Johansson began building his first business venture, patenting the first pipe wrench in 1888 and then the adjustable wrench in 1892, to Sandflex®, ERGO™, BETMS and Bluetooth® Torque Tools today, innovation is critical to who we are.

For generations, our expertise and commitment to quality have ensured that Bahco remains synonymous with trust, performance and durability. This solid foundation will carry us confidently into the future and reinforce Bahco's name as the choice of professionals, today and tomorrow.



**Together, we have built
more than tools;
we have built a legacy.**



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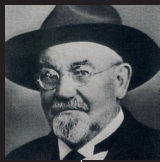
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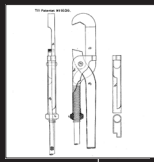
1886: Johan Petter Johansson launches his first business venture, a small smithy called Enköpings Mekaniska Verkstad. It would take over a century, but this seed would eventually grow into the brand we know today: Bahco.



1888: J.P. Johansson patents the Pipe Wrench, coined the "Iron hand".



1889: Berndt August Hjort founds the company AB BA Hjort & Co.



1890: Berndt August Hjort buys the exclusive right to sell J. P. Johansson's Pipe Wrench.



1892: Johansson patents the Adjustable Wrench as we know it today, which became a worldwide success and known as the "Swedish wrench key" in the U.S.



1892: Berndt August Hjort registers the trademark Bahco after his initials, BAH, adding Co., for company.



1943: J.P. Johansson passes away with 118 patents to his name.



1954: The company changes its name to AB Bahco.



1969: The Bi-metal Hacksaw Blade Sandflex® is created, ushering in a new era for the cutting industry.



1982: Bahco presents ERGO™, the scientific process of making tools by professionals, for professionals.



1991: AB Sandvik acquires AB Bahco and renames it AB Sandvik Bahco. A few years later, Bahco will integrate the Fish & Hook symbol into its logo, originally created by AB Sandvik, as a reference to the high quality of the steel used to make Swedish fishing hooks in the nineteenth century.



1993: ERGO™ Adjustable Wrenches win the Excellent Swedish Design Award.



1998: The one hundred-millionth Adjustable Wrench leaves the Bahco factory in Enköping, Sweden.



1999: Bahco is incorporated into Snap-on Inc., alongside Eurotools, a Spanish hand tool manufacturer.



1999: ERGO™ Screwdrivers win the Excellent Swedish Design Award and the Red Dot Design Award.



2002: The ERGO™ Ratchet wins Red Dot Design Award.



2004: Bahco launches the Multi-Set Quad-Grinded Bandsaw Blade (3881 -THQ).

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2005:
Snap-on Inc. merges Bahco and Eurotools to form SNA Europe.



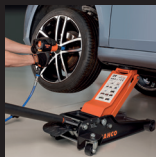
2008:
Bahco launches the Bahco Handsaw System (BHS).



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Bahco launches MTS, a Stainless Steel Measuring Tape.



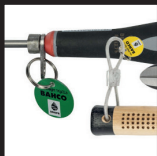
2009:
Bahco launches the Multi-Chip Unset Carbide-Tipped Bandsaw Blade (3860-TMC).



2011:
Bahco enters the automotive repair industry, launching Bahco Jacks as the most relevant product.



2013:
Bahco receives the Innovation Award for the Bahco ERGO™ Tool Management System (BETMS).



2014:
Bahco becomes the first company to launch Tools @ Height as part of the protective equipment assortment.



2016:
Bahco's redesigned ERGO™ Superior Handsaw wins the German Design Award "Special Mention".



2016:
Bahco redesigns the Pipe Wrench launching the Quick-Adjust ERGO™ Pipe Wrench.



2017:
The Bahco Storage Hub is launched, a new range of tool trolleys that meets European standards.



2018:
Bahco's "Fish & Hook" logo is modernised and minimalised, creating a simpler and smoother image, but still equally recognisable.



2021:
Bahco acquires Secateurs Pradines.



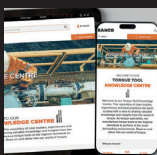
2022:
Bahco introduces the Floating Knife with a fluorescent handle.



2022:
Bahco wins Red Dot Design Award (product design, Tools category) and iF Design Award for the Electric Secateurs BCL23.



2023:
Bahco launches Trimetal Bandsaw Blades.



2024:
Bahco.com launches the Knowledge Centre, an online hub packed with case studies, white papers and insights into our highest performing tools.



2025:
Bahco launches new innovative Pallet Repair Blades.



2026:
Bahco launches Hub+ for new Socket & Bit Sets.

2026





TOGETHER, WE ARE BAHCO

We are Bahco, built by many hands, united by one shared legacy.

Associates, you are Bahco's foundation, the voice and face of Bahco. Your commitment, creativity, and care ensure that every Bahco tool is designed, manufactured and marketed through the lens of excellence.

Distributors, you are our boots on the ground, bringing our tools and solutions to those who depend on them most.

Professionals, you transform ideas into action every day. Your insight inspires us to design tools that make your work smarter, safer, and more efficient.

For 140 years, it is these hands that have turned precision, quality, and trust into lasting results. From Sweden to the world, today, your expertise and dedication keep our spirit of innovation alive. As part of SNA Europe and Snap-on Inc., we create a bridge between your local knowledge and our global strength.

Together, we channel insight into new solutions and services that evolve to meet professional needs, shaping the future of work and the way it's done. Because this legacy, our legacy, lives through all of us. The future of Bahco is in our hands.

Welcome to our 140th anniversary.

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