

Success Story

Improving operations with Sage Intacct

Enhancing efficiency and accuracy for ATKV's processes and performances

"We've reduced our month-end reporting time by 2-3 days since starting Sage Intacct"

Sanri van der Walt

Chief Financial Officer, ATKV



Relaxing South African resorts

ATKV is a non-profit company promoting Afrikaans language and culture with approximately 70,000 main members and 30 cultural projects per year. The ATKV has seven breathtaking holiday resorts across the most beautiful parts of South Africa.



Overcoming operational challenges

ATKV struggled with time-consuming manual reporting and complex group consolidations. The lack of real-time data access hindered efficient decision-making and financial operations, limiting their focus on core projects.



Implementing Sage Intacct with BrilliantLink

Brilliant Link played a crucial role in helping ATKV implement Sage Intacct, providing expert guidance and continuous support throughout the process. They customised solutions to meet ATKV's unique needs, streamlined financial operations, and ensured seamless integration of the system. This partnership allowed ATKV to achieve real-time data access and efficient resource management.

- Reliable and user-friendly ERP system
- Cloud-based access to real-time financial data
- Powerful automation features
- Customisable reporting and easy group consolidations

Sage

Company
ATKV

Location
South Africa

Industry
Cultural Events & Holiday Resorts

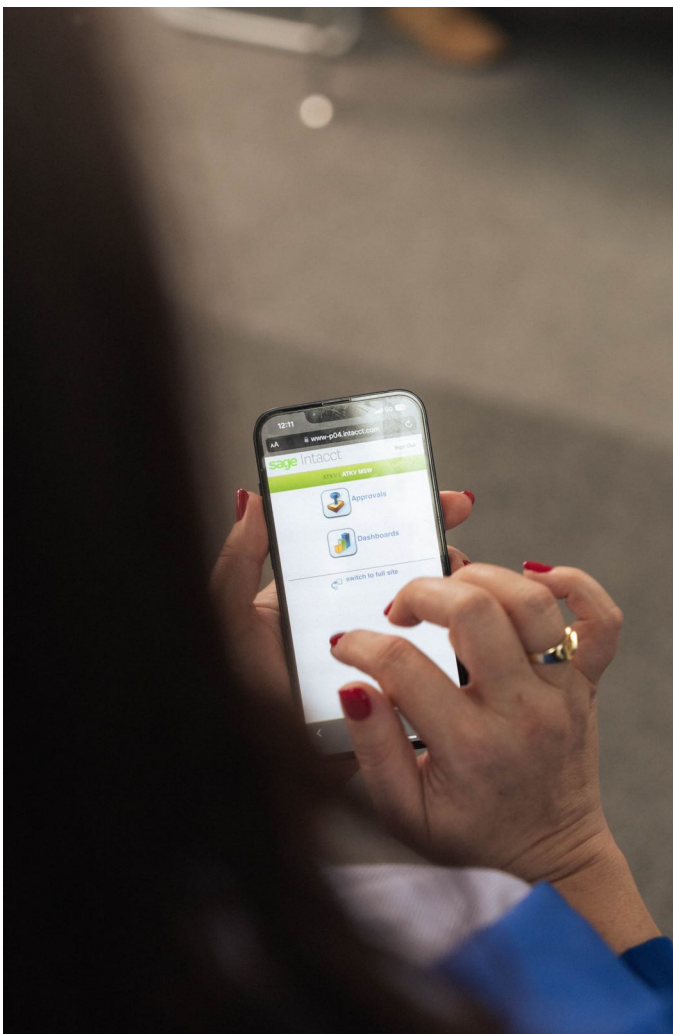
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About Company

ATKV is a South African-based cultural hub for Afrikaans language and culture, specialising in vacation resorts, childhood development centres, and projects aimed to promote Afrikaans.



Sanri van der Walt uses Sage Intacct from her mobile device. Having Sage based in the cloud-based is a big advantage for ATKV with everything digitised and stored safely for remote access at any time.

Dedicated to smoother operations

As a diverse company with multiple locations and sites throughout South Africa – operating ATKV was an organisational challenge. The organisation struggled with manual data consolidation, which was time-consuming. Monthly group consolidation management reports took up to three business days to complete, creating inefficiencies and delays.

The dispersed nature of ATKV's projects and locations meant that accessing real-time financial data was difficult, leading to a reliance on outdated and fragmented information. These issues hindered their ability to make timely, informed decisions and effectively manage their resources.

A reliable solution

ATKV turned to Sage Intacct due to its established reputation as a reliable and user-friendly ERP system. The system's automatic compliance with statutory regulations was another major pull factor, reducing the hassle and stress of remaining legally compliant.

Seamless implementation with Brilliant Link

Brilliant Link played a pivotal role in implementing tailored solutions for ATKV's unique needs, including managing multiple resorts and cultural projects. Their support and expertise, beginning in March 2022, streamlined financial operations, enabling real-time data access and efficient resource management. Ongoing assistance with custom reports and budgeting and forecasting modules has been invaluable in enhancing ATKV's financial management systems.

Streamlined cloud-based systems

One of the biggest advantages of Sage for ATKV was the cloud-based system. As Sanri van der Walt, CFO for ATKV, explained, "The decentralised system empowers people to access it anytime, anywhere, so long as they have a computer device. That gives the team up-to-date, real-time information on which to base their decisions rather than estimated budgets."

The cloud-based system also guarantees standardisation across the group, which is critical for group consolidation purposes. Plus, with everything digitalised, there's no need to carry papers around, risking sensitive financial information. Just upload the documents, and everything is safe.

Day-to-day changes

Sage enhanced ATKV's communication and standardised processes, enabling real-time access to information from any device. Financial transactions are streamlined, and document sharing is simplified. Managers can easily track budgets and performance via the Sage dashboard, reducing errors and providing greater financial insights.

Faster transaction processing

Sage accelerates transaction processing times. With more information available, ATKV can provide timely, comprehensive, and reliable reporting to internal and external stakeholders. Management, in particular, benefits from the in-depth insights provided by the Sage reports and dashboard. Budget management can even be completed from a cellphone.



Generating Instant Reports

“My favourite feature is the ease of reporting and consolidations for my team. They love the simple payment process. Everything runs so much smoother,” says Sanri.

Reporting is integral to ATKV's standard business practices. Previously, reporting was mostly a manual process, as was the case with group consolidations. But with Sage, that's no longer necessary. Anyone in the business can access reports online, resulting in a much more streamlined approach.

With the built-in reporting module, ATKV managed to cut their monthly reporting time in half, down to four business days. Group consolidations now occur with the push of a button. That leaves more time for team members to focus on other tasks rather than creating reports or performing data clean-ups. Sage also provides the capability to calculate and submit VAT instantly. No more complicated sums or risks of errors. The team has every tool they need at their disposal.

Shortening the distance

ATKV manages resorts in some of the most beautiful spots around South Africa. Often, these locations are rural, deep in the African countryside – from Hartenbos to Natalia, Drakensville to Buffelspoort. Plus, there are team members traveling between schools and communities on the road.

Shortening the distance

It's hard for team members across the sites to send information to the central office or to access up-to-date metrics. Sage simplifies the process. Because everyone is equipped with a cellphone, management can approve orders, review dashboards, and speed up the process, reducing the risk of bottlenecks, all thanks to the Sage App. Everything from budget management to creating and sending invoices can be done anytime, anywhere, in a matter of seconds.

Long-term partnership

Looking to the future, ATKV is an example of how Sage is 100% adaptable to the unique circumstances of any business. Spread across the country, ATKV is the definition of a decentralised company. Yet, despite 100s of stakeholders and dozens of sites (some of the teams are mobile), Sage remained the best option for consolidating information, standardising processes, and giving everyone access to realtime data. ATKV's experience with Sage demonstrates how the right financial system can transform your operations.



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