

## Northern Brewer

### NetSuite Helps Homebrew Business Boost Efficiency to Prepare for Growth

**Company Name:**  
Northern Brewer

**Industry:**  
Retail, ecommerce

**Headquarters:**  
Roseville, MN

**Applications Replaced:**  
Homegrown POS

**NetSuite Product:**  
NetSuite

**Partner Name:**  
Retail Anywhere

**Industry:**  
Retail

**Headquarters:**  
Paso Robles, CA




“Before Retail Anywhere we shipped inventory to our stores on a weekly basis. Now that Retail Anywhere and NetSuite are integrated, we ship on a daily basis—this improves our customer responsiveness, and helps us cut out wasted inventory.”

—Northern Brewer

#### Results:

- Northern Brewer is now outpacing its industry with double-digit yearly growth, and without adding IT staff
- Integrated order processing between Retail Anywhere POS and NetSuite helps speed order-to-cash cycles for credit card payments by a full day over the previous system
- Northern Brewer is able to replenish retail stores' stock daily in response to customer needs rather than weekly with the previous system, thus reducing stock-outs
- Real-time store inventory reporting and more accurate inventory forecasts have helped Northern Brewer reduce inventory by 15% over the previous system
- Managers can now view store transactions in real time, rather than having to wait several hours with the old system
- Self-sufficient Retail Anywhere POS software supports customer transactions even if the network connection is broken, providing a seamless shopping experience at all times
- Intuitive, easy-to-operate Retail Anywhere POS registers reduce new-employee training costs by 2 hours

#### Challenges:

- Limited in-house POS software couldn't support company's projected growth into additional retail locations
- Lack of integration between POS software and NetSuite ERP software caused slowdowns in order processing and significant delays in updating inventory
- The company's 3 retail stores had trouble responding to fast changes in customer demand because it typically took a week or more to receive new inventory
- Network outages interrupted customer transactions because POS registers couldn't take credit card payments without back-end connectivity

#### Solution

- Northern Brewer chose Retail Anywhere's POS retail management software because of its bi-directional integration with NetSuite, and for its ability to operate in standalone mode in the event of a network outage
- Retail Anywhere and NetSuite support full multi-channel operations, giving Northern Brewer the ability to grow into many additional stores and websites without having to upgrade its business software

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