



Obstbau Leeb

The new production facility of Obstbau Leeb, an organic apple farmer in Sankt Andrä in the Burgenland region of Austria, is as versatile as it is elegant. It only took four months to build this cleverly folded box structure whose large panels can easily be pulled, pushed, opened and closed at any given time.

A multifunctional beauty

It is surprising how aesthetically pleasing a production facility can become: The building is characterized by its prefabricated wooden elements, which sit in a delicate timber frame construction. The facade's materiality radiates a rough and pure aesthetic. The coarse OSB panels, glazed in apple green and dark brown, stand in exciting contrast to the precisely set aluminum profiles, which, for their part, divide and structure the even surface.

Refined sustainability

Two large sliding doors transform the commercial building into an oversized market stand with changing views to the outside - the surrounding landscape - as well as to inside - the apple processing hall, the sales space and adjoining rooms. The structure is designed to passive house sustainability standards. Renewable raw and recycled materials, as well as upcycled furniture are primarily used throughout the building.

Project description	Production facility for fruit with shop in "passive house" energy standard
Location	St. Andrä am Zicksee, AUT
Client	Vera & Albert Leeb
Architecture	Architects Collective
Completion	2009
Floor area	400 m²

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