

This house is located in a small village in the Bregenz Forest, at the foot of the famous 2,044-meter "Kanisfluh". The two-story building is positioned on the outskirts of the built area away from other residences and has been seamlessly integrated into the natural surroundings.

Local traditions served as inspiration during the planning process. The wooden detached house, clad in silver fir, harmonizes perfectly with the mountainous landscape of the Bregenz Forest, despite its distinctive, compact, cubic form.

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The upper story provides the building's most eye-catching architectural elements and houses the living and sleeping areas. An atmosphere of comfort and relaxation is generated by both the light-filled and gently slanting attic and the simple silver fir exterior cladding. The interior walls and furniture are finished in simple white precast elements that enable the creation of a relaxing, informal living space.



**Architecture:** Planungsbüro Jürgen Haller and Peter Plattner  
**Year of completion:** 2009  
**No. of bedrooms:** 4  
**Gross floor area:** 238 m<sup>2</sup>  
**Wood:** 65 m<sup>2</sup> of oiled silver fir used for furniture, wall covering

In the Bregenz Forest there are still craftsmen who make shingles by hand and the designers utilized their skills in the manufacture of the silver fir shingle covering the exterior façades. The floors in the bathrooms comprise a thin three-millimeter layer of hard epoxy resin. Due to the triple glazing and Isocell insulation in the wooden framework the dwelling has an excellent energy rating, despite the expansive windows.



German shingle-style blends tradition and nature within a primal setting.

