

Sustainable timber modules with microapartments

Herisau, CH



Project details

Client	Waldburger + Partner Architekten AG
Architecture	Waldburger + Partner Architekten AG
Project type	Residential construction apartment building
Construction type	Modular construction
Services	General contractor services (GC)
Construction	2020
Locality	Herisau
Country	Switzerland

Sustainable and high-quality living in the smallest of spaces

The housing complex in the centre of Herisau is a pilot project for microliving. Blumer Lehmann was the general contractor and responsible for the modular construction.

The timber module one-room studios and two-room apartments provide comfortable, centrally located housing, and the compact living space also has a small environmental footprint. It took just 10 weeks of construction to transform the 18 timber modules produced in our factory into nine high-quality apartments, each with a total floor area of 47 m². The modules were all supplied with a kitchen, bathroom and electrical installations. The economical housing even features an 8 m² balcony.

The high proportion of wood used in both the interior and exterior of the three-story residential building also ensures that it has an excellent carbon footprint. The walls made from spruce create a cosy feel inside, and the rear-ventilated facade of the building was designed in cooperation with the monument preservation authorities and with consideration for the townscape. With well-insulated outer walls, triple-glazed windows, a heat pump located outside the building and its own solar panels, the residential building is in one of the best energy efficiency classes according to SIA.

The living concept for the Herisau microapartments incorporates high levels of quality, comfort and security, all in a compact living space. The 150 m² roof terrace can be accessed by all tenants and is used and maintained communally.

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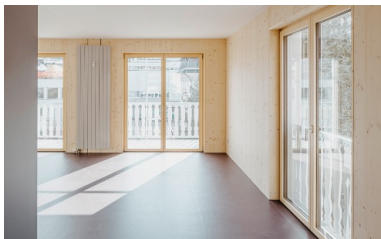
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Everything you need in the smallest of spaces, including a modern, fully equipped kitchen.



The modular timber microapartments in Herisau are accessed via an external staircase



The bright, welcoming living space in the microapartment in Wiesental looks remarkably spacious, despite its small size.

The interplay of materials, colours and built-in furniture adds extra character to the microapartment.

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The pleasant indoor climate created by the wooden interior and the apartment's own balcony add to the comfort of the compact living space.



The compact bathroom with practical storage space.



Comfortable living in a compact space: bright, welcoming room with space-saving sliding doors.