

URBAN HYBRID

Facts

Location : Emmen, Switzerland

Year : 2013+

Client : Senn BPM AG, St. Gallen, Switzerland

Program : 9.000 m2 housing (97 units of 16 types), 2034 m2 services and 2925 m2 underground parking

Budget : Undisclosed

About

The exterior of the block is a varied urban street front whilst the interior offers the quality of a green and intimate village. The interior of the block is divided into both private and public spaces, with dividing walls used to hang tables or benches and parts of the walls which can be rotated and used for table tennis. A cohesive landscaping plan foresees a wide variety of fruit trees in the courtyard, in both the private and public areas. The landscaping will attempt to blur the lines between the interior and exterior of the block into a widely applied park-like format. The garden and patio houses in the centre of the courtyard have their own entrance doors at the outer perimeter of the block. Parking for the block is underground to create a car free interior, and the roofs of the buildings will be used for additional outdoor space.

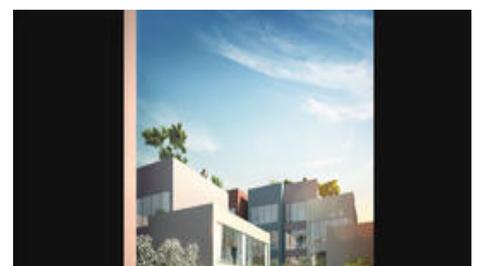
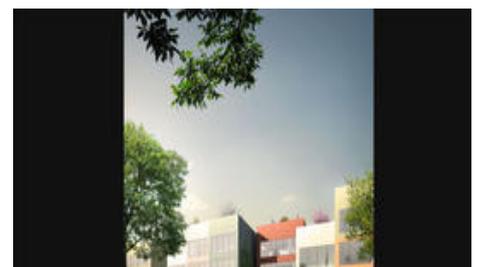
An important aspect of the project is the high quality of construction in combination with relatively low prices. Clients will be able to buy a more or less finished house – comparable to the basic model of a new car – with options leading up to almost full fit and finish possible. Home owners with little money can therefore delay investment, or do the work themselves, and still live in a high quality, new build home. Each house or apartment will have its own façade colour, emphasizing its individual ownership and individual floor plans. A pastel range of colour was chosen based on the specific colours traditionally found in historic Swiss town centres in the Lucerne area, such as in Beromünster.

Credits

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