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Project details

Client	Toggenburg Bergbahnen AG
Architecture	Herzog & de Meuron
Project type	Hotels and restaurants
Construction type	Wood element construction
Services	Timber construction
Own products	Fassaden
Construction	2015, 2014
Locality	Chäserrugg
Country	Switzerland

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Modern mountain guesthouse in timber construction on Chäserrugg – steeled against wind and snow

Architects Herzog & de Meuron have designed a striking, elegant construction with visible timber architecture. In addition to the cable car station, the new building houses a restaurant and various event spaces. There are many challenges associated with architecture in alpine areas. The construction of the roof was one of them. Wind speed and snowfall can be extremely high at this altitude. The structure chosen in this case was a timber construction comprising a conventionally erected bearing structure combined with prefabricated wooden frame elements. The construction used traditional carpentry joints such as mortise and tenon and offsets augmented by special timber engineering connectors.

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View of the Churfirten mountains from the restaurant



Close-up of the roof construction

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East view of the mountain restaurant

South-east view of the mountain restaurant



South-west view of the mountain restaurant

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Interior with cosy lounge



Close-up of the timber construction

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