

Hiking and Crafting

Crafts of Eischeid on golden grounds

Over the years, the craftsmanship in our society has lost more and more of its original importance. We want present you three craftsman's businesses from Eischeid, which up to today, produce goods of the highest quality, and are therefore renowned beyond the borders of our little village.

The "Stommel House"

People are increasingly aware of their ecological responsibly. They do not think

only of their own quality of life but also that of the next generation. Based On this principle,

the corporate philosophy of the Stommel Haus GmbH is to build a house, in which people

follow healthy living in harmony with nature;

A house that has the advantages of a biological construction material in the service of people and an alternative and responsible lifestyle.

A house that lives and breathes - a house like a tree! A house made of solid wood is special; Solid wood breathes and provides sense of warmth and comfort as no other building can.

Just as we feel significantly more comfortable wearing natural fabrics, natural building materials increase our quality of life.

An original Stommel house is made of solid wood from Scandinavian pinewood. This wood grows very slowly and has remarkably tight growth rings. Therefore, it is more stable and pressure-resistant than wood from rapidly growing trees. During its long growth phase the pinewood also produces lots of resin. This makes it particularly weather-resistant. As the wind in the areas of origin does not blow so strong, the trees grow very symmetrical. Their trunks are straight and round, growing tensions and internal cracks are minimal. The uniform fibers and the narrow growth rings give the lumber a remarkably fine grain and structure. Due to its high proportion of heartwood

and its solid growth, it is ideal for outdoor applications. Based on these qualities, buildings of the Stommel Haus GmbH are renowned for best craftsmanship and beautiful design with the highest possible value for the customer.

*Information material available on the counter
or under www.stommelhaus.de*

Craftsmanship

By Elke Borchers und Theo Hupperich Ceramics and Tiled Stoves

Starting with ceramics over 20 years ago they developed their first tiled stove in 1980. Since then, new design options with emphasis in ceramic stoves in connection with solid furnace construction have been developed. In their workshop all tiles and ceramic pieces are handmade. Tiled stoves with large handmade tiles must be carefully planned. The design of the stove is always determined by the customer. To build the stove the best technique are used: basic furnace, hot air furnace or a combination of both, small or large heating power, heated stove seats, oven etc.

As in any good craft; first comes the customer consultancy.

A selection of already-built stoves as well as many different ceramics and tile patterns are displayed in an exhibition.

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Stonecutting Workshop

If you visit the „Nüchel“ you will notice an about 1m high and 2 tons heavy Indian elephant. True to the original with tusks. From start to finish of this project hundreds of hours were invested. The back of the animal is a pleasure especially for children. What started 30 years ago with two men family business has now become a company with two masters, several employees, trainees and office workers.

Although nowadays the mason is supported in his work by cutting edge machinery, handiwork is still the dominating aspect of work like 30 years ago. What begins as an idea is put down on paper and then brought into

shape by the mason.

Creativity has no limits, but often lacks the time.

From kitchen countertops to home and garden accessories, nothing is impossible for our stone sculptors. An extensive exhibition area awaits the visitor in our workshop. Heinz Alois and Bruno Harich lead the company and the team. We are happy to welcome you at "Im Nüchel 15".

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Directions in Eischeid

When you leave the country inn in Eischeid turn right in the direction of the old village school, cross the street at the school, turn left into the street "Rehfeld". If you follow the street you will get to the ceramic and furnace workshop of Elke Borchers and Theo Hupperich. Here you can enjoy an exhibition of ceramic tile stoves and Theo and Elke are you happy to help and advice.

Within sight are the display houses of the company Stommel, which can be viewed during the week and on specific dates on the weekend. Follow the road past the display houses, and turn left about

100 meters behind the town sign, you will get to the stonecutting workshop of the family Harich.