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Donau Lodge

Ybbs an der Donau, Austria

The Donau Lodge in Ybbs is a sustainable, award-winning hotel featuring cross-laminated timber (CLT).

The Donau Lodge was the first hotel built in Ybbs. It opened in July 2019. Built directly on the Danube, the Donau Lodge enriches the historic centre of Ybbs with its modern mass timber architecture. Built almost exclusively with companies from Ybbs, and using a Sylva™ prefabricated CLT kit of parts, the project was completed perfectly on time.

The hotel has 27 rooms and a seminar room and offers unobstructed views of the Danube—Europe's longest river. It is located within walking distance of the Stora Enso Mill where the mass timber elements were manufactured to build the hotel.

You might notice the CLT still looks fresh and new because it was coated after installation by the main contractor, [Pöchlhacker](#), to prevent discolouration from the natural sunlight. As you can see from the photographs taken both when the hotel first opened in 2019 and later in 2022, the CLT still has a soft lightness to the wood, and the level of darkening is minimal.

Today, Stora Enso provides the option to precoat elements as part of their [Sylva Protect Service](#) for an even faster installation.

Awards The Donau Lodge was awarded the 2012 Lower Austrian Timber Construction Award in the 'Commercial Building' category, where it was highly commended.

Learn more about the advantages of mass timber [download whitepaper](#)

General

Delivery year	Building type
2019	Hotel
Area (m²)	Storeys
1,500	3
Units	
27	



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Products

Products and Services

Sylva™ CLT Floors and Roofs,
Sylva™ CLT Walls

Product quality

Visible quality (VI) Coated
after installation with UV
protection

Product volume (m³)

200

Team

Architect

Planorama

MEP Designer

Pöchhacker

Main contractor

Pöchhacker

Specialist Timber Subcontractor

Pöchhacker

Others

Construction duration (months)

5

Total construction development duration (months)

11

Timber superstructure erection duration (weeks)

12