

Planing, fast and safe

Efficient, easy to use, safe in operation: The carpenter's workshop Holztrattner in Upper Austria has found a compact, fast and practical planing aid in the Cube from WEINIG.



Two carpenters with ideas: Herbert and Jürgen Holztrattner with their new WEINIG Cube

The carpenter's workshop Holztrattner is a company with a long range effect, you could say. Driving along the road in a car, you can see a large sign from far away with the information: "Holztrattner. Your master carpenter with ideas." And Herbert Holztrattner does in fact have quite a few ideas: Living rooms, bedrooms, kitchens or bathrooms - the carpenter and his team cover the whole field of interior fittings. "We can also fit out a whole house" Holztrattner explains, who started his company in 1990 as a one-man operation.

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The 46 year old, who completed his apprenticeship at a cabinetmakers, started primarily with restoration jobs. Since then the business has grown steadily to twelve employees; his son Jürgen - also a trained carpenter - joined the business years ago. However, restoration nowadays is only a small part of their work. In addition to interior fittings, the main business activity for Holztrattner is designing and making garden furniture. The swing seats made by the workshop have become a real hit in the export business. And Holztrattner's first design was "only" for a birthday present for his wife. The



Moulder Preview: The laser projects the values entered.

resourceful master carpenter continued to develop this piece of garden furniture with its characteristic C-shaped side supports and armrests, improved the design and even won a design prize for it in 2003 and today sells the model extremely successfully as far afield as Poland and East Frisia.

IT'S TRADITION: WEINIG

As a carpenter working with solid wood, Holztrattner also had a planer in his workshop. For 17 years the 4-sided planer Quattromat 18 from WEINIG served him well. Last year he decided to buy a new machine. His choice fell on a machine from WEINIG: the Cube, first launched by the manufacturer last year at the Ligna trade fair in Hanover. For Holztrattner the main qualities of the machine are its accuracy but above all its ease of use: "You don't have to set anything and you can operate the machine quite practically via the touchscreen. Even our apprentice in his first year can operate it." Because the planer is delivered in a plug-in state, it could be started up immediately once it was installed. No additional training was necessary.

HIGHTECH PLANER

By now everyone in the workshop - including the boss - work with the Cube occasionally, which of course planes on four side in one through feed and in addition makes work easier with numerous practical features: The EasyLock system from WEINIG means fast cutter changes with just a few movement inside the machine. Changes in dimension can be carried out during ongoing operation simply by pressing a button and the spindle settings can be projected onto the workpiece by laser using the MoulderPreView and hence be optimized before machining. Herbert Holztrattner has also had his new Cube customized optically: The business logo and motto are proudly affixed to the outside of the machine in full view. So that the "master carpenter with ideas" is visible not just far away, but also is always present in his workshop.

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