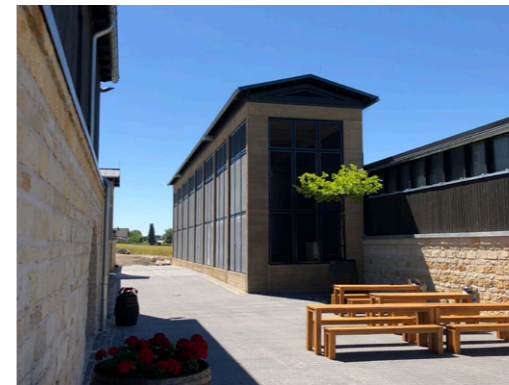




Sasse Distillery: Schoeppingen

Client: Feinbrennerei Sasse Lagerkorn GmbH
 Project stages: 1 – 5
 Time frame: 2009 – ongoing
 GFA: 1,500 sqm
 Site: Duuesseldorfer Strasse 20
 48624 Schoeppingen (NRW)

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The Sasse Distillery in west Muensterland requested a concept for a visitor area and a storage depot. The challenge was to create a design that references the forms and materials of traditional agricultural buildings in the Muensterland while translating these to a timeless idiom. The new storage depot forms a landmark on the slope of Schöppinger Berg. Its base of solid Baumberg sandstone is three meters high and supports a dark timber-framed roof featuring a raised clerestory level. North-facing windows and the small clerestory windows allow a muted light to filter into the building. Similar window formats recur on the gable ends.

Combined with dimmable spotlights, this natural lighting lends a special ambience to the building's interior. The atmospheric complexity resulting from the interplay of varied natural light sources, different types of wood, coloured cement concrete, and stone will also distinguish the distillery's visitor area, where benches are provided for the convenience of tour groups. The ensemble highlights the character of a traditional family business which, while being firmly rooted in the traditions of the Münsterland region, is at the cutting edge in terms of modern production and marketing.