

Sustainability in the Gasthaus Brünig Kulm Where and what we buy is important to us.

Our Hotel Beds

The beds in our hotel rooms – the model is actually called "dormouse" ③ - are by Nils Holger Moormann, from southern Germany www.moormann.de/cms/philosophie/. MOORMANN is renowned for their local production, the great quality and sustainability of their products. Our bed frames are made from birch and free from metal.









Our Chairs

Our lovely TRIX chairs, which you will find in our restaurant as well as in the hotel rooms, come from Austria. From the Bregenz Forest to be exact. There they are produced in a family business by the equally lovely Wolfgang Schmidinger www.schmidinger-moebelbau.at/. TRIX is made from birch and oak. And same as MOORMANN it has already won a prize for its design.







Our Lighting

The Swiss design legend LEHNI is responsible for the proper light in all hotel rooms. Designed back in 1976 it is still in great shape and is still produced by the traditional company Lehni near Zurich.







Our Tables

The tables in the restaurant as well as in most rooms have been purchased together with the house from the previous owner. They had started showing their age by then. But with the help of our Brünig neighbour, the famous Grümpelsepp, all the tables had a complete overhaul www.bruenigsepp.ch/. We were astounded when the tables came back from his workshop. From ugly duckling to a swan, literally. That, too, is sustainability.





Our Textiles

Our throw pillows in the restaurant were produced in Hergiswil, by the ingenious and stylish Martina Sardella www.stofflokal.ch. Martina Sardella has a wonderful sewing studio in Hergiswil, a visit there is always worthwhile. Her sister manages the shop www.sin6.ch, with beautiful items for sale, including products from Martina's workshop.

Our Heating and other Technology

We replaced the old oil heating system with an energy-efficient air heater pump system in November 2020. It is not easy to find an environmentally friendly solution here in the mountains on a solid bedrock. But it was clear for us that it could not be an oil-fired heating anymore. We have also replaced the windows in the rooms, obviously with energy-efficient glazing. We also insulated the ceiling of our big and rather high beverage storage room.

We also updated our whole kitchen in November 2020 with an eye on energy-efficient appliances and installations.







Our Procurement

Our food procurement takes place predominantly in our region. We know all our suppliers personally, and we constantly work on buying the best produce with the highest sustainability from Swiss production. So we get e.g. the potatoes from our neighbour who grows them directly below the Gasthaus Brünig Kulm. We love these stories and will develop them further in the future.

We obviously have refillable soap dispensers to avoid rubbish – even in our rooms. Our key tags have been made by an artist in nearby Meiringen, the flowers around the building come from the Aebi nursery in Meiringen or from Bluomämeitli in Lungern. The main point is to source them locally or regionally.











Our Surroundings, Nature

In the coming years we will build a bio-diversity project on the slope in front of the Gasthaus Brünig Kulm, with guidance from Büro Impuls in Thun. We have already built big piles of twigs, kept old walls in the ground, suspended bat boxes, created spaces for birds to nest, and put up a big bee hotel which was made in a local workshop. We have instructed the Forstbetrieb Haslital to plant trees and shrubs on the slope below the house which will help feed a variety of animals. We are looking forward to watching these animals settling into the habitat and discovering which birds and reptiles make it their home.







Our little Brünig Shop

In our little shop we sell locally produced specialities and one-of-a-kind pieces of craftsmanship. Here, too, we know the producers personally and we look out for high quality. Four our guests - only the best.







Hansruedi

Hansruedi is a Swiss cuckoo clock, made by hand in Geneva. Modernity and tradition in one – and our guests enjoy it very much on the hour every hour. Hansruedi is produced in a community workshop in Switzerland and was designed by Søren Henrichsen. www.sorenhenrichsen.com



Our Cleaning Supplies

A hotel and restaurant business obviously uses a lot of detergents and cleaning agents every year. We have given this a lot of thought and have decided on a range of products designed by the company Steinfels-Swiss www.steinfels-swiss.ch who manufacture ecological and sustainable cleaning and disinfecting agents in Switzerland, specifically produced for the hotel and restaurant industry.

