

Fundermax



St.Veit an der Glan site

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Fundermax has deep roots in St. Veit an der Glan: the company's more than 130-year long history began here, and its headquarters are still here today. Company founder Karl Funder acquired his first sawmill back in 1890. In 1939, he opened the first fiberboard factory in St. Veit an der Glan, which continues to operate as 'Plant 1'. Today, Fundermax is a leading European supplier of quality timber materials and decorative laminates that are used in interior fittings, facades, doors and furniture as well as the automotive and shoe industries. At the company's St. Veit an der Glan site, around 450 employees are engaged in three factories.



Plant 1

Fundermax **Biofaser panels** are manufactured by means of a wet method in Plant 1. In the production of this high-density fiberboard, the natural resin in the wood is activated and less than 1% of artificial resin needs to be added. Most of the wood used for Biofaser panels is hardwood and softwood from forest thinning carried out through **100% certified sustainable and responsible forestry**; this material would otherwise be of no use to the sawmill industry. The main supplier of raw material is the regional sawmill industry; waste wood produced by the industry is processed into high quality material. Pressure and temperature are applied to press the wood fibers into panels and dry them using a hydraulic press. The result is Biofaser panels, which are mainly used in the construction and furniture sectors.

Plants 2 and 3

In Plants 2 and 3, chipboard panels produced at the Fundermax site in Neudörfel are coated with decorative papers to make **Star Favorit**, a chipboard panel with a decor on both sides. To give one example, this material is used by professionals to make items of furniture. Premium Star panels are specially finished Star Favorit panels, produced with piano lacquer – a uniquely high quality gloss surface – by means of special clean room technology. To make this possible, Fundermax invested €17 million at the St. Veit site in 2017.

To supply the necessary energy for production, Fundermax commissioned a power generation plant at St. Veit in 1990. The plant produces green electricity and heat for the company's production operation as well as 60,000 MWh of district heating per year for thousands of homes across the region.

Milestones for St. Veit/Glan:

1939

Construction of Plant 1

1965

Construction of Plant 2

1987

Construction of Plant 3

2004

Merger of Funder in St. Veit with
chipboard manufacturer Homogen
in Neudörf

2005

Merger with high-pressure lami-
nate manufacturer Isomax in Wiener
Neudorf to form Fundermax



Facts & Figures:



- Approx. **450 employees** based at St. Veit/Glan
- **Total floor space** of approx. **260,000m²**
- **3 factories & 3 products** (Biofaser panels, Star Favorit & Premium Star)
- **Annual production capacity** of approx. **14 million square meters of chipboard** (Star Favorit and Premium Star) and around **24 million square meters of Biofaser**
- **62,000 MWh** of district heating for thousands of homes in the region
- **75,000 MWh** of green electricity

About Fundermax:

Fundermax is the global market leader in **high quality facade panels** and the supplier of a **range of decorative products for interior design**, and a company with a **proud history span-ning more than 130 years**. With state-of-the-art **production facilities** at five sites (St. Veit an der Glan/ Carinthia, Wiener Neudorf/Lower Austria, Neudörf/Burgenland, Ranheim/Norway and Almeldo/Netherland), Fundermax makes consistent use of **sustainable materials** sourced from **natural raw materials**.

The comprehensive **product range** stands for **top quality, innovative design and sustainable production**. From raw chipboard panels and melamine faced chipboard (Star Favo-rit) to pressure laminates (HPL), compact boards (Max Exte-rior and Max Interior) and fire-resistant m.look facade panels, Fundermax applies precision at all stages.

Around the world, some 1,500 employees generate annual turnover of approximately € 450 million. Fundermax is part of **Constantia Industries AG**, one of Austria's largest privat-ely run industrial concerns. In 2018, Fundermax was the ove-rall winner of the **Staatspreis Unternehmensqualität** which, among other things, recognizes commitment to environmen-tal and social causes.

Fundermax guarantees **top quality that is made in Austria**. With precision and a passion for natural wood, for over 130 years.

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ANY QUESTIONS?

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