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Press release

### Polishing a gem

**A remise building in Berlin underwent a complete renovation, in line with its owners' personal preferences, which included a new authentic-wood floor by the Swiss manufacturer Bauwerk Parkett.**



*The so-called 'remise' buildings in Berlin's backyards were still being used as sheds, workshops, and shelters as late as the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Today, they often serve as architectural gems in the middle of the metropolis. The combination of the typical old building style and the open interiors not only turns them into popular locations for setting up homes and offices, but also into real treasures that merge urban life with calm and privacy. So it comes as no surprise that a family living in a rented remise in Berlin-Zehlendorf always imagined how great it would be if the two-storey building belonged to them. That was until their wildest dreams became a reality: by purchasing the property, they could finally implement their plans that had been brewing for so long, including a complete renovation of the flooring: instead of a cold stone floor, the modern living space now boasts a high-quality, healthy-living, and warm authentic-wood floor by Bauwerk Parkett, laid in the French herringbone pattern.*

"It was a very good decision to replace the large stone tiles with parquet. The rooms now feel much warmer, cosier and livelier." The owner and the parquet installer Sascha Wolff agree on this point: "The longevity,

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the feel, the look and the timeless design speak for themselves, and we knew right away that the wooden floor was the right choice for us." The new floor now offers not only a natural aesthetic, but also a unique feature for the 100-square-metre space on the ground floor, reflecting the personality and the needs of the people living in it. This is because the French herringbone pattern, used in the entrance area, the hallway, the guest and work rooms, and the open living space with a kitchen and dining area, generates a refined, ambitious, and modern atmosphere, and meets all expectations for healthy living. The bright, brushed and slightly structured surface of the oak parquet, in Farina colour, emphasises the natural grain of the wood and amplifies the interplay with the light that enters the space. Combined with the colourful walls, the floor creates a harmonious overall picture with a clear design vocabulary. For its French herringbone pattern, which is challenging to lay in terms of manual work, Sascha Wolff, parquet installer and owner of the Berlin parquet installation company S.W. Parkett design, selected the Formpark Rombico 2-layer parquet by Bauwerk Parkett. Thanks to the 45° angle of its individual strips, it is perfect for laying parquet in this pattern, also referred to as the chevron pattern.

### **Unifying element**

This style of flooring continues on the stair leading to the upper floor. A Bauwerk Parkett solution was used there as well, with the same colour, same surface treatment, and same gloss level as the herringbone parquet on the ground floor. "We were happy to take on this challenge: we had to remove the old flooring, build a new subfloor, and then install the parquet with maximum precision," Sascha Wolff explained. As a result, the staircase now fits harmoniously with its side view in the entrance area, also offering a large storage space. Thanks to Bauwerk Parkett's innovative production technology, it was possible to bend the stair nosing without damaging the surface. This not only guaranteed a seamless transition in the steps for the staircase, but also maintained the protection for the edges.

The overall result impressed the owner: "We are more than satisfied with the result, and we are over the moon with the new floors. For us, the decision meant a significant improvement in the quality of our house. And we will soon extend this pleasant feeling to the upper floor."

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## Details and facts

Property owner: Private

Parquet installer: S.W. PARKETTDESIGN GmbH, Berlin, [www.swparkettdesign.de](http://www.swparkettdesign.de)

Parquet: Formpark Rombico in Oak Farina by Bauwerk Parkett

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1 From a functional backyard building to a unique home: this remise building in Berlin-Zehlendorf tells a story of privacy and urban life, as well as that of a dream home becoming a reality for the family living here. Photo: Bauwerk Parkett

2 In order to bring the living space in line with important sustainability and healthy living standards, the reconstruction of the two-floor building included replacing the old stone floors with an authentic-wood floor by Bauwerk Parkett, adding more warmth and character to the indoor spaces. Photo: Bauwerk Parkett

3 "We are more than satisfied with the result, and we are over the moon with the new floors. For us, this decision meant a significant improvement in the quality of our house," the owner emphasised. Photo: Bauwerk Parkett

4 The herringbone pattern reveals its full effect primarily in the room with a lot of natural light: the light creates different levels of brightness on the parquet, emphasising the wood grain and giving the floor a lively look. Photo: Bauwerk Parkett

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5 Thanks to its 45° angle, Formpark Rombico by Bauwerk Parkett is perfect for installing parquet in the French herringbone pattern. The size of individual strips reinterprets the classic laying pattern in an exciting way. As a result, the floor impresses with its simplicity and timelessness, while remaining a statement of individuality. Photo: Bauwerk Parkett

6 Bauwerk Parkett offers many solutions for creating a cohesive overall picture, including the high-quality authentic-wood stair solution. Due to the ease in matching the wood colour, surface treatment and level of gloss, the stairs merge smoothly into the living space. Photo: Bauwerk Parkett

7 The stair solution is a perfect match with the Formpark Rombico parquet on the ground floor: the grading of the wood (calm), its surface treatment (natural-oiled) and surface structure (brushed) are identical, making the stair a true eye-catcher. Photo: Bauwerk Parkett

8 The brushed and oiled surface in Oak Farina gives the parquet a natural, warm, and silky look. In addition to its pleasant tactile features and timeless design, its clear design language emphasises this cohesive overall picture of a dream for a home that came true. Photo: Bauwerk Parkett

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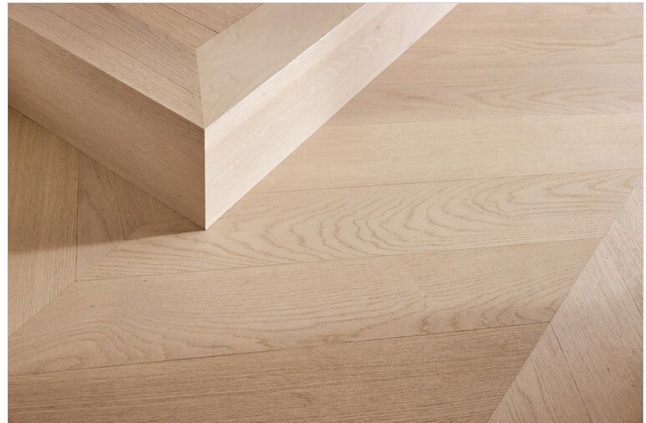
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### **About Bauwerk Parkett**

Bauwerk Parkett is a Swiss company with a long tradition of making parquet with reliability and precision, satisfying even the most demanding requirements. Bauwerk Parkett is proud of its origins, but also focuses on innovation. The company has undergone many changes in recent years, and is now treading a new path. Originally a technology and product-oriented enterprise, it has developed a market focus, working to promote such issues as healthy living, sustainability, and design.

Bauwerk Parkett's range includes over 350 products, from 2- and 3-layer to solid wood parquet. More than 60% of all Bauwerk Parkett products are made in St. Margrethen (Switzerland). Its parent company, Bauwerk Group, operates two additional factories in Europe (Lithuania and Croatia), and two production facilities in the US (Kentucky and Tennessee). In 2022, Bauwerk Group sold some 10 million square metres of parquet.

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