

Preserve the old, embrace the new.

At the Ansitz Steinbock Manor in Villandro, understated luxury merges with down-to-earth warmth, purity of design with centuries-old history, streamlined architectural expression with solid, robust materials. For owner and hostess Elisabeth Rabensteiner, the renovations of this historic manor in the ancient village centre of Villandro have fulfilled a lifelong dream.

Less is more

This is the guiding philosophy of the renovations here at the manor, which has been undergone a number of restorations since it was first built in the 15th century. With the greatest of sensitivity to heritage, the team of architects, designers and craftspeople have breathed life into the owner's vision: To create a sanctuary for people who love beauty. The historic manor and haybarn now house just 12 suites, each one of which is a clear expression of love for the rare and the beautiful, for the traditional and the contemporary; Gothic construction flirts with contemporary architecture, and regional craftsmanship with award-winning design. All suites have retained the original door fittings and handles, 100-year-old solid spruce flooring and loam-plastered walls, set off by custom-designed smoked oak furnishings, washbasins in Siusi basalt and saunas in locally-sourced Swiss stone pine. The handwoven curtains were crafted by a local manufacturer, and the robust cast-iron radiators sourced from Germany. Eye-catching features, just like the honesty bar, where guests are free to help themselves as if they were in their own homes.

The Stube of good taste

Courteous hospitality lies at the very soul of the Ansitz Steinbock Manor. Our ancient Stube dining rooms have always been a place for people to meet up and take joy in life, and the rooms of today are exactly as they were back in 1750, when the "Wirtstafern Zum Stainbock" was already famed for its fine cuisine and drink. Today, it is the award-winning cuisine of head chef Tomek Kinder and a team of attentive hosts who welcome guests to the table here at the Ansitz Steinbock Manor. Citizen of the world from a culinary perspective, Tomek Kinder has embraced South Tyrol as his adopted homeland, and it is here that he has chosen to put down his roots.



Three restaurant concepts bring his signature style to the table:

- Defregger Stuben. The fine-dining restaurant at the Ansitz Steinbock Manor, with 8 tables in a 300-year-old dining room. It is here that the award-winning kitchen serves up a never-ending array of vibrant dishes. All with a distinctive signature touch of select, skilfully-blended ingredients that redefine the borders of culinary excellence.
- Courthouse Stube. Local and regional, just the way we like it in South Tyrol. This Stube, also
 preserved in all its original glory, provides the venue for a smaller yet no less impressive,
 menu: A five-course Alpine dinner based on ingredients from local area, some of which from
 our family's own farm, including Angus beef from our own herd and Villnösser Brillenschaf
 meat from our own flock.
- Stain. The well-planned lunch menu. The Stain is the younger brother of our award-winning kitchen, and is tasked with serving up lunch and light meals to guests in the Defregger Stube or the garden terrace.

Three sommeliers, including the hostess herself, who know exactly which wine is right for the time of day and the dish you have chosen. By preference, we like to reach out for rare wines from South Tyrol and beyond. From classics to new discoveries and wines from far-flung regions - they all take their place in the 800-plus collection of wine labels housed in the Steinbock wine cellar, six metres underground.

The harmonious ensemble of luxurious suites, ancient Stube dining rooms and the pleasures of the senses come together to create the Steinbock experience. If you would like to explore it for yourself, come to the heart of South Tyrol: The age-old village centre of Villandro, at an altitude of 880 metres above the small town of Klausen/Chiusa is the geographical centre point of the region.

Rates per suite/night from €330 incl. Breakfast Royale in the Courthouse Stube. On request, we will be delighted to serve breakfast in your room.



A brief note:

History: Belonged to the Lords of Neuhaus in the 15th century, the Steinbock has changed hands many times over the course of the centuries, and has been owned by Elisabeth Rabensteiner since 2010.

Suites: 12, ranging from 20 to 60 m², for 2 to 4 people

Architect: Studio Lengfeld Architects

Interior: Tischlerei Erlacher, Potocco (furnishings), Antonio Lupi, Boffi, Gessi (bathrooms), Davide Groppi, Catellani Smith, Lorenzo Radaelli

(lighting)

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