

ALNOINOX – THE SWISS DESIGN CLASSIC

ALNOINOX is well known as the Forster Swiss Steel Kitchens brand in its country of origin and has been manufactured in the Swiss municipality of Arbon by Lake Constance since 1952. Since early 2014, this design classic has been owned by the ALNO group, one of the largest kitchen manufacturers in Europe. The new owner will allow this coveted Swiss ALNOINOX kitchen brand to reach an international public. To date, more than 3,000 of these exclusive steel kitchens have been developed and manufactured in Switzerland every year.

When you hear the words “steel kitchens”, do the clattering chrome steel assemblies used in restaurant kitchens come into your mind’s eye? If so, you need to re-think immediately. Not only are steel kitchens from ALNOINOX robust, warp-proof, long-lasting and able to hold their value, they are also beautiful – thanks to innovative processing technologies and their prize-winning design. The latest generation of these kitchens has been awarded three coveted “iF product design awards” – for the units themselves, the patented hinges and the new cabinet handle developed by ALNOINOX. We are equally proud of our “red dot product design award 2012”, a valuable, internationally-recognised design prize, as well as the Special Mention in the German Design Awards 2014 and our nomination for the Swiss Federal Design Awards 2013.

Exclusive, individual and long-lasting

Managers, architects and owners of buildings have chosen this Swiss design classic for many years, and the reason is quite clear: long service life and retention of value keep maintenance costs to a minimum. It is not unusual for these kitchens to be used for 30 years or more, completely outliving one or more generations of kitchen appliances. Steel kitchens from ALNOINOX can compete successfully with kitchens made of wood or synthetic resin– and the high standards of technology, wide range of colours and massive choice of worktops mean that they remain individual and exclusive at all times.

The product

Forster Swiss Steel Kitchens (alias ALNOINOX) has been one of the most coveted brands of kitchen in Switzerland for decades. It manufactured its first steel kitchens in 1952. Since then, almost 250,000 steel kitchens have left the production shops at the works in Arbon by Lake Constance. The Swiss manufacturing location will be retained in future – a continuity that makes it clear that real quality grows from tradition.

The business

ALNOINOX, together with Piatti, belongs to AFP Küchen AG. ALNOINOX is well known under the name of Forster Swiss Steel Kitchens in its country of origin and is popular as a design classic with architects and private clients alike. In early 2014, Swiss market leader AFP Küchen AG was taken over by ALNO AG and, as a result, ALNOINOX will now be able to reach an international public. ALNO AG employs a workforce of about 2,500 and is active through its 7000 sales outlets world-wide.



A warming work of gold –
The changing golden tone gently radiates a pleasant warmth. Combined with black magnetic back panels to create an elegant ensemble.



A timeless miracle of dimensions – this kitchen radiates a sense of space. Delicate shelves allow the steel to express itself in its most subtle form, extending the room visually and functionally.



The practical option with an elegant style – the advantages of steel are unmistakable wherever you look; steel's smooth surfaces are extremely easy to maintain and keep clean. Its sealed surfaces leave dirt nowhere to hide.



ALNOINOX uses the magnetic properties of steel; practical aids such as hooks, roll holders and spice racks simply clip onto the back wall, ready to move whenever required.



Not only is this patented hinge robust – it also fits beautifully into the construction of the unit. Its design and construction impressed the expert jury for the IF Design Awards so much that they awarded a prize to the hinge itself, as well as the kitchen.



A view of the production shop at Arbon by Lake Constance.