



## Sustainability mission statement

The Widder Hotel is part of "The Living Circle" group - a hand-picked group of first-class hotels and restaurants in the most uncompromisingly beautiful locations, run by passionate hosts.

Rice, vegetables, fruit, honey, wine and other fine produce - everything is conjured up fresh from the garden on our own farms and served directly to the table. This is The Living Circle - luxury fed by nature. Whether located directly on the Limmat in the heart of Zurich, in a private park on Lake Maggiore or on neighbouring hills with breathtaking views - all members of The Living Circle have a strong connection to nature and offer their guests incomparable experiences.

The history of The Living Circle's properties goes back hundreds of years. The Widder Hotel, which has been part of the group since 2018, also has a long history: 9 historic private houses in the centre of Zurich's old town are home to a state-of-the-art luxury hotel. The centrepiece of the complex, today's library, is a simple stone house from the 12th century. In 1401, the butchers' guild - whose eponymous animal is the ram - bought the corner house at Rennweg 1 and built a guild house in its place in 1553. The Widder Guild is one of the 12 historic craft guilds that ruled the town in the Middle Ages together with the Constaffel society.

The medieval buildings in the Rennweg quarter were worn and dilapidated when they were acquired, renovated and remodelled by UBS in 1983. The old building fabric had to be researched and preserved, while the most complicated construction techniques had to be used to consolidate and supplement it. Negotiations, research, planning, construction and design took place over a period of 10 years. The result by Swiss architect Tilia Theus is well known: A modern private hotel in which the layers of history and the impulses of modernity are brought together. The Widder Hotel was opened in 1995 and is a member of the Leading Hotels of the World and Swiss Deluxe Hotels. The result by Swiss architect Tilia Theus is well known: A modern private hotel in which the layers of history and the impulses of modernity are brought together. The Widder Hotel opened in 1995 and is a member of the Leading Hotels of the World and Swiss Deluxe Hotels.

Located on the world-famous Bahnhofstrasse in the heart of Zurich's historic Old Town, the Widder Hotel is one of Zurich's most unique and special boutique hotels. The 5-star superior hotel offers 14 suites and 35 guest rooms, exquisite and varied gastronomy, seminar and banqueting facilities for up to 200 people and a fitness room. The Widder Hotel has been ISO-certified since 2004 (ISO 9001:2015). The hotel also participates in the "My Climate - cause we care" project and is classified as "Swisstainable III" in the Swiss Tourism environmental programme. Since the beginning of 2023, the hotel has been free of single-use plastic in the guest area (with a few defined exceptions for which no suitable replacement product has yet been found - such as adhesive tape).

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The plastic waste that is nevertheless generated (mainly from films, containers, packs, etc.) is collected separately, weighed and measured in the form of a "plastic footprint". The amount of plastic waste that cannot be recycled is offset through a collaboration with CleanHub, a company that will correctly dispose the same amount of waste in Asia (or even removing it from the ocean).

The environmental policy of the Widder Hotel is an important part of the quality and environmental management system. We are guided by the following principles:

#### Quality and environmental circle - Green Team

- Under the leadership of the Quality & Sustainability Manager, the Green Team members meet regularly to define operational objectives and implement improvements in the areas of quality and sustainability. The Green Team bases its work on the suggestions of "EarthCheck" and "My Climate" and analyses guest and employee feedback.

#### Management:

- We promote environmental awareness among our employees and spread the environmental virus within the company.
- Good ideas and suggestions for improvement from our employees in the area of We reward the environmentally friendly use of resources with recognition.
- We keep up to date with developments and innovations in our specialist field in order to make a further contribution to the careful use of resources.
- We make sure that the quality and comfort of our guests are not affected by the environmental management system.

#### Employees:

- We treat the environment with care and respect by limiting energy and water consumption and the amount of waste, and we use environmentally friendly and renewable materials.
- We make suggestions on how we can further improve our environmental footprint.

#### Guests:

- We inform our guests about our sustainable approach to environmental issues (e.g. on the website).
- However, we do not actively ask our guests to change their behaviour, but we do try to raise their awareness through our behaviour.

#### Suppliers:

- An annual screening of our suppliers allows us to define which suppliers support our environmental philosophy.
- Environmental targets are defined in an annual meeting with the main suppliers.
- We sensitise our suppliers regarding the environmentally friendly use of resources and express our expectations for active support and assistance in the area of environmental

protection.

- When planning purchases, we consider the environmental aspect and seek advice from an independent expert on future-oriented technologies.

General public:

- We communicate our contribution to improving environmental protection to the public discreetly and with style by showing what we are already doing and where we are improving.

The Widder Hotel takes external and internal influences into account when implementing the quality and environmental management system. These external and internal influences are defined at regular meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Board.

Our aim is to promote ecological and social sustainability and implement it in a targeted manner. In doing so, we are also guided by the "Sustainable Development Goals", the 17 goals for sustainable development that are to be achieved globally and by all UN member states by 2050.

We are therefore actively working to reduce our environmental impact in collaboration with all our stakeholders and partners. We develop clear goals and are committed to fulfilling them in the following areas:

Reducing food waste

- Protecting our natural resources
- Favouring local employees, products, suppliers and companies
- Compliance with the principles of fair trade
- Fulfilment of all legal requirements
- Raising awareness among our employees, guests and partners
- Constantly striving to improve

This is a dynamic and challenging process. We are convinced that we are creating clear added value for our and future generations to preserve our natural environment, which will also give us success and advantages on the market.



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