



Durable cladding provides an integrated façade

Aluminium façade cladding is not considered exotic in the Aristo Architectes oeuvre. Architect and business manager Thibaut Perpète effortlessly combines aesthetics with the durability of aluminium façade cladding. And he therefore opted for Renson's Linarte in combination with brick and a plastered storey for his own home. The combination typifies the architectural style of his Architectural Studio Aristo: a contemporary symphony of modern materials.



Aristo Architects Workshop

The Aristo architectural studio was founded in 2013 by Thibaut Perpète, who has been working as an architect since 2009. Thibaut was initially based in Temploux, but since 2019 has been working from Sombreffe, while the 7 Aristo architects are active in Namur, Walloon Brabant, Hainaut and Liège. Aristo stands for contemporary architecture in accordance with current environmental issues. Single-family homes, both new construction and renovation, make up the lion's share of their work, but the youthful office also has experience with commercial spaces such as pharmacies, physiotherapists' practices and garages. In addition to being business manager and architect, Thibaut Perpète is also responsible [and is the expert] for PEB and is the health and safety coordinator.

Open and modern

"For the design of my own home I wanted to work with large glass sections to create openness. The house is centrally located on the plot, so people looking in was not a problem. At the back, the focus of the house is on the swimming pool, while the water theme is also reflected at the front with a pond to the left of the entrance.

"For the lower floor we opted for modern brick in combination with the Linarte façade cladding, upstairs has been treated with façade plastering"

Screens too

To combat the heat – as we now almost always do when a house faces south/southwest – we have used Renson sun protection. For the two large corner windows we have used Panovista Max, while the other windows are equipped with the Fixscreen Minimal. The screens blend beautifully into the plastered façade of the upper floor. On the lower floor – also with a corner window – we opted for modern brick in combination with the Linarte façade cladding. Pure lines in a contemporary design.

Integration

“With regard to Linarte, my main concern was working out the best way to integrate the door and gate into the façade,” says Thibaut Perpète. “I wanted a monolithic façade, but with some contrasting materials. Brick and plaster seemed obvious, but I felt a third material was still missing. Aluminium was the material of choice. This made it possible to consider the garage door, the front door and the window frames as practically one whole. I thought this was important in order to prevent a disorder of volumes and structures. The perfect integration of the lighting and videophone module is also a strong argument for choosing Linarte. Incidentally, the LEDs are the only light sources on the façade and provide an optimal way to illuminate the tectonic entrance stair tiles, the driveway and the entrance. Both the Linarte façade cladding and the window frames and screens are in the same colour, structured RAL 9005.”

“Perfect integration of lighting and videophone avoids disorder of volumes and structures”

Sustainable aluminium

“We briefly considered wood or other material for the panels, but aluminium stood out thanks to its sustainability – aluminium blades can be reused or recycled. It also made it possible to construct window frames and screens in the same material and exact colour. We have used Linarte façade cladding on many projects. And we used the aluminium on a



test set-up in our new office a few years ago, which convinced us to use it frequently.”

Aesthetics & maintenance

“Another important advantage – but more so for me as the owner – is that Linarte is very user-friendly. It does not require intensive maintenance, and the Linarte profiles can also be easily clicked out and replaced should damage occur.”

Importance of installation partner

“A whole game changer is the presence of a reliable partner for the installation. In our case, this was the Renson Ambassador: Flex 1848. We first became acquainted with aluminium façade cladding at a trade fair. One of our suppliers referred us to Flex while we were looking for a local distributor and installer. They showed us the advantages of Renson Linarte and Linius. Their professional service, combined with the excellent technical support and after-sales service from Renson, makes the difference. All the projects we have carried out together have always gone smoothly, and we have always achieved the desired result. I am therefore delighted that they were rewarded with a Renson Ambassador Award at Polyclose 2022 for this collaboration – my own home.”

“A test set-up in our new office convinced us of the aluminium façade cladding”

Contemporary Symphony

“This project was architecture as we like to present it: contemporary with modern lines, differing volumes, and a symphony of different materials. We like to combine the Linarte aluminium façade cladding with bricks and/or façade plastering. The fact you can integrate gates, doors, lights, videophones, house numbers, etc. with Linarte provides added value that convinces me even more of my choice.”

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