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# SUSTAINABLE APPLE PROCESSING WITH THE AS 6 FOR THE "KLOSTERLADEN" SHOP

The Kartause Ittingen Foundation produces apple rings with KRONEN processing technology

In November 2024, the Kartause Ittingen Foundation put its new AS 6 apple peeling machine from KRONEN into operation. This modern machine enables it to efficiently peel, core and slice apples. The foundation mostly processes apples grown in its own orchards and uses the machine to make apple rings from 16,000 kg of apples during the winter.

A team of up to five supervised employees and a supervisor processes the apples over the winter months. The AS 6 apple peeling machine makes its processing activities much easier by handling several stages of the workflow quickly and with a consistent processing quality. It is also extremely easy to operate. By using the AS 6, the team is now able to peel, core and slice much larger quantities of apples, most of which are grown on site, every day, ready to be dried in the next production step.

The apple rings produced by the team are available both with and without a chocolate coating and are a bestseller in the "Klosterladen" monastery shop run by the Kartause Ittingen Foundation. Any broken apple rings are nicely packaged to be used as welcome gifts on pillows in the neighboring hotel, and some of the apple peel is added to tea mixtures – all supporting the foundation's consistent commitment to sustainability and waste reduction.

### Inclusive jobs and home-grown regional products

The Kartause Ittingen is a foundation under private law that was established back in 1977. The former monastery is an important cultural monument in the Lake Constance region and has been a cultural and seminar center since 1983. The foundation is committed to preserving the historic heritage building and managing its use as a largely self-supporting cultural center and seminar venue. The site is home to a restaurant, a hotel, seminar and banquet rooms, a workshop and a farm, which supplies its in-house catering facilities and Klosterladen shop with fruit, vegetables, cheese, wine and other products. The Kartause Ittingen offers a diverse range of inclusive working and living opportunities for adults with special needs, including 50 supervised positions.

## Contributing to sustainability and self-sufficiency

The Kartause Ittingen places a strong focus on sustainability. In line with the foundation's commitment to self-sufficiency, its Klosterladen shop and restaurant offer a combination of homemade specialties and regional and seasonal products. The revenue from sales of products made on site, for example the apple rings, helps fund the running of the foundation.

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#### More information:

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#### **About KRONEN GmbH**

KRONEN is a family-managed, globally operating producer and supplier of stand-alone machines, special-purpose machines and high-tech processing facilities for the fresh-cut industry. The product program of KRONEN and its partners covers fruit, vegetable and lettuce processing, from preparing, cutting, washing, drying, dewatering, peeling and sterilizing right through to packaging.

KRONEN also offers machines for processing meat and fish, special vegan products, baked goods and pet food.

The company, which is based in Kehl am Rhein, Germany, and has a second production site in the nearby city of Achern, currently employs more than 130 members of staff, has representatives in over 80 countries worldwide and supplies its products to more than 120 nations all over the globe.

With more than 45 years of experience in food technology, KRONEN prides itself on its quality awareness and constantly strives to achieve the best possible solutions in its day-to-day work. The machine manufacturer focuses on taking a sustainable, holistic approach toward the hygienic, reliable and resource-friendly production of fresh foods. KRONEN considers itself to be a think tank that provides innovative solutions to benefit its customers and meet all their needs. It guarantees top-quality advice and planning expertise in close cooperation with the industry and research establishments.

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The AS 6 apple peeling machine from KRONEN simplifies apple processing at the Kartause Ittingen Foundation.



The apple rings are a very popular product in the monastery store. Regional apples are cut into slices with an AS 6 apple peeling machine from KRONEN and then dried.



The apple rings are sold in the "Klosterladen" shop of the Kartause Ittingen. Copyright: Stiftung Kartause Ittingen.





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