

## Petershof

After the demolition of the old city wall along the old moat near St. Peter's church, the property Petersgraben 19 was built in the centre of Basel between 1860 and 1868.

Many stones from the old city wall were reused for the construction of the large timber-framed building that housed Scheuchzer & Co's furniture warehouse and shop.

Old, faded inscriptions can still be seen on the exterior wall:

*Scheuchzer & Co. – Cookers – Petroleum heaters – Kitchen furniture – dowries – Garden furniture*

Due to the bad economy, Scheuchzer & Co. closed its business around 1935. The property was sold and the new owner rented it to the Basel antiquarian Mr. E. Naegelin.

The well-known company E. Naegelin was specialized in house clearance and was predominantly engaged by the well-to-do of the "Gellert" in Basel. The high-class furniture was cleaned up and presented for sale.

Mr. Friedrich Glasstetter, the Naegelin company's trustee, purchased the whole property including the medieval "Flachsländerhof" around 1950. He took over the art and antique business of his predecessor and the name "Petershof" was documented for the first time.

His son Fritz Mario Glasstetter took over the antique shop in 1968. Following his death in 2011, his daughter Michèle Glasstetter inherited the inventory, which is now being liquidated. The shop's future use will be decided at a later date.

The building and its interior have remained almost untouched since it was constructed and so its visitors take an extraordinary 150-year journey back in time.

The spacious 3-story premises is now being used temporarily for an art exhibition.

Visit the "Petershof" and marvel at its unique ambience!