



## HAND-MOULDED BEESWAX CANDLES

**Kerzen-Manufaktur**  
Freckenhorster Werkstätten



## FIRE AND FLAME...

... have, since time immemorial, provided light and warmth for the well-being of human beings. But at what time and in what place did our forefathers have the bright idea of impregnating a wick in resin in order to henceforth brighten their lives with candles? Researchers think that this happened three thousand years ago in the Near East. In this case the old saying “ex oriente lux” (The light comes from the East) would for once have to be taken literally.

With the hand-made beeswax candles from our candle manufactory you can experience the magic of light in an original, pure and natural form. Our Westphalian manufactory is part of a long tradition which might have started in the South of France - the oldest known candle made of beeswax is preserved in the town of Vaison la Romaine in Provence and dates back to the first century A.D. In the subsequent period, appreciation of the candles, to which great symbolic significance was ascribed, grew together with Christianity. The wax and the appreciation have not changed up to the present day. And for that there are, besides the symbolic power, other good reasons - beeswax candles are pure, natural products, they provide a long burning time, light rich in atmosphere and a pleasant fragrance.

Soft wax as hard currency – in the Middle Ages it was quite usual to pay large bills with this raw material. Candles made of beeswax are still valuable today. The products from our candle factory gain their high value from the use of first-class raw materials – and even more from the type of production: in these times of industrial mass production, our beeswax candles are golden yellow highlights of traditional handicrafts. Every candle is unique and an eye-catcher. And every single one is produced by hand and with a lot of heart. In that way our candles, so we believe, acquire a special power for their noble task - providing light and warmth for the well-being of people.





## DISPLAY STANDS

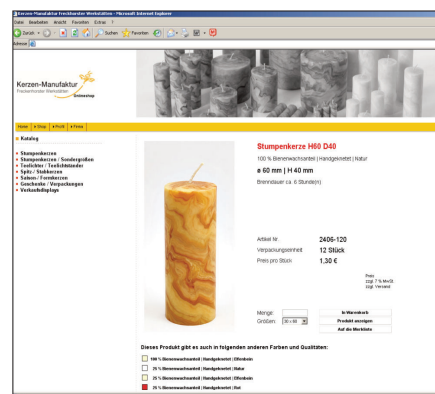
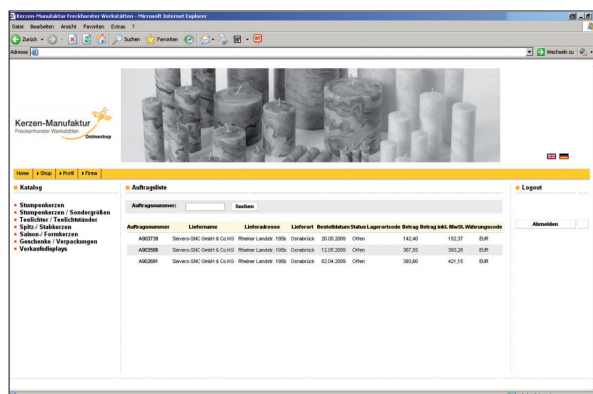
The perfect place for our products

For the trade we produce stylish products for the perfect presentation of our products. They are available in combination with the "Basic", "Pillars", "Presents" and "Red" assortments. If a defined quantity of goods is purchased, we make one display stand available free of charge.

## OUR WEB SHOP

Easy ordering round the clock

Easy ordering round the clock. A simple and fast way to our products leads into the Internet. At the address [www.kerzen-manufaktur.de](http://www.kerzen-manufaktur.de) we present you with our complete range as well as with the option for easy ordering.







## GIFT PACKS

### Presents with personality

A hand-moulded beeswax candle with unique graining, presented in one of our decorative packages: it is difficult to make a more beautiful gift. We package by hand in our manufactory – with the finest material and above all with a lot of flair. For does not a valuable product also deserve a worthy package?





## A SHINING EXAMPLE OF REAL MANUAL WORK

Choice material, manual processing, beautiful graining: all this turns every product from our candle manufactory into a high-grade unique item. Individuality and quality already start at the time of the selection of the raw material. And at this point we reveal our true colours: not all of our candles are golden yellow. In our candle manufactory we process beeswax from many different parts of the Earth, from the very dark beeswax from Asia to the ivory coloured wax from Africa. The golden yellow wax is of South-American origin. Besides pure beeswax candles, we manufacture on request products with a beeswax content of 25 %. In this case, we combine the wax with high-grade, kneadable paraffin-based waxes. What all of our candles have in common is the high quality. From our suppliers we request, as a matter of principle, a certificate on the purity of the raw material.

How do things proceed further in our manufactory on the way from the wax to the candle? With thorough checking. We warm up the material and check the fragrance and the purity. Only when we are certain that we are inspecting best beeswax does a refining process start that only a few firms throughout the world have mastered. With lots of experience we compose waxes of different origin and pre-press the material into strands. After that the strands are twisted and intensively kneaded. In that way, the unique graining of the candles is obtained completely under our hands. The strands are now rolled smooth and cut to length. The result is a fine raw product which experienced hands carefully rework before they press in, with a pointed piece of ebony, a hole for the candle holder and anchor a high-quality, braided wick in the wax. After that the candle is passed on, hand-packaged, to the trade to finally, at its destination, brighten homes and hearts.





## PILLAR CANDLES

### Magically timeless

Pillar candles are really long-burning candles and that is the case in more than one respect: on the one hand its simple/beautiful shape has been in use – i.e. burning – for many centuries; on the other hand they have, depending on their size, a very long burning time. Our pillar candles, also the small ones, create great atmosphere – for any occasion, in any surroundings. The traditional production by hand allows us to produce these candles with a length of up to 120 cm and with a diameter of up to 18 cm.



## STONE ART PRODUCTS

### Pieces of art for the candle

They complement each other perfectly in colour and function: our Stone Art products and our tea-light candles made of pure beeswax. Whether as a decoration in the home or as romantic lighting on the patio on summer evenings: the small sandstone objects cast a good light on any ambiance. Thanks to their neutral natural colour they produce a wonderful effect – both in a modern and in a traditional style of furnishing. We would be pleased to send you a catalogue showing our Stone Art collection.





## ORNAMENTAL CANDLES

### Radiant symbolic power

There are candles the flames of which can in fact extinguish physically, but not in people's memories. An ornamental candle from our manufactory sets an unforgettable sign in the great hours of life – whether baptism, communion, wedding or birthday. We decorate our ornamental candles most carefully by hand with beautiful emblems, lettering or figures, including those with rolled-on gold and silver. We would be pleased to send you a catalogue showing our ornament collection.





## TAPER CANDLES AND STICK CANDLES

### Flames of festiveness

In an elegant and impressive manner, our hand-moulded and hand-rolled table candles put festivities for all occasions in a light full of atmosphere. The power of their effect on the psyche and on cosiness is, however, also developed by the slim beauties in everyday life: these candles transform, from the first gleam of the flame, a normal evening after work into a particularly festive evening.



## TEA-LIGHT CANDLES

### Small highlights, big effect

Our tea-light candles: every single one is a small highlight, a lot of them together are simply magical. A group of these candles made of hand-moulded beeswax is the source of wonderful light and a pleasant fragrance. The golden flames make a particularly good showing in combination with our tea-light stands made of high-grade stainless steel which we produce exclusively in our workshop – for a harmonious appearance of light, fragrance and design.







## SEASON AND SHAPE CANDLES

### Highlights in the course of the year

Every season has its very own flair and its own feasts. Whether Advent, Christmas or Easter. Our season and shape candles contribute stylishly to the fine atmosphere. And not only on high feast days, but also on ordinary days they can set bright accents. With intricate manual work we put the wax into shape for the particular season. We produce christmas tree, advent, cube, ball and egg candles in different sizes.



The Kerzen-Manufaktur (Candle Manufactory) is a department of the Freckenhorster Werkstätten (Freckenhorst Workshops), a recognised workshop for disabled people sponsored by the Caritasverband im Kreisdekanat Warendorf e.V. (Caritas Association in the Warendorf Church District).

It is the task of the Freckenhorster Werkstätten to enable people with disabilities to participate in working life. At the forefront is the promotion of individual inclinations and abilities by, among other things, the production of economically useful products. Integration into working life and the world of work also means integration into society.

The Kerzen-Manufaktur looks back on a tradition covering more than 40 years and has a corresponding wealth of knowledge and experience at its disposal. Today it is one of Europe's leading producers of hand-moulded beeswax candles.

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