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Kreipe's coffeeshop lounge, 2004 Address: Rathenaustraße 12, Hanover, Germany. Client: Konditorei Kreipe GmbH / Jan Fleissig. Gross floor area: 250 m². Materials: black medium density fiberboard, DLW-Vinyl polyvinyl chloride (PVC, "vinyl"), woven polyvinyl chloride (PVC, "vinyl").

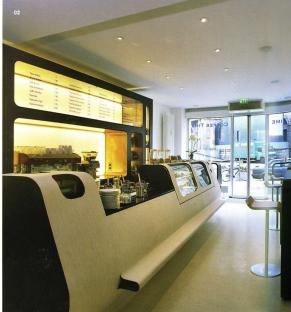
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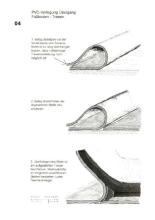




The traditional coffee shop commissioned a branch to be built specifically for a new target group. On the ground floor, linear decorative elements guide the guest inside the space. Seating and counters are not free-standing, but emerge smoothly, complete with all their components from the light-colored plastic that makes up the floor. This allows their mass to dissolve, and lets the forms define the space. The furniture is covered with a 2 mm-thick crème vinyl layer. This is DLW Solid, which is the coating covering all faces. Authentic materials that display their composition on open surfaces are the basic elements of the design concept. Pre-patinated, banded brass elements were employed on tables and the buffet, transporting the coffeehouse tradition into the modern age. The sensual harmony arising from the combination of plastic and brass is a reference to the Copenhagen Airport Terminal designed by Vilhelm Lauritzen (1935). The vinyl used on the ground floor, with its smooth, hard surface is a perfect match for the quick coffee experience. On the upper floor it is replaced with a woven texture reminiscent of textile that covers the floor, seating and the first two meters of the lounge ceiling, formulating the space here as well.









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