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Ditib-Moscheeverein (Mosque) in Moers-Repelen

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description

The mosque association DiTib was founded in 1979 but didn't have a place to meet. In 1987 a residential house was bought and extended. In the front there is an assembly room, the basement was restored for various community activities, and a big prayer room with room for about 200 believers was established in the back of the house.

On the first floor, an official residence was set up for the Hodscha who comes to Germany from Turkey for 3 years at a time.

Position of object

The mosque association's parish hall is located near the center of the community, close to the former houses of coal mine workers. A lot of Turkish community members live in these houses.

size

The house has a floor space of about 50m², and the extension with a prayer room is about 150 m².

materials

The building is made out of brick. From the outside it is not recognizable as a prayer house or mosque. The inside walls of the prayer room are decorated with Turkish tile.

date of building/
epoch:

architect
artist:



The house was build as a normal 2-story residential house during the 70s.


renovation,
restoration
(when, by whom
who paid, why):

The purchase and extension of the house were enabled by donations from community members.

Sketch outline:

Decor

Picture	title	function
	Mihrab	<p>The Mihrab is the most important feature of a mosque. It is a little alcove which is pointed towards Mecca, the direction of prayers. Furthermore, it serves the prayer leader Imam as an acoustic aid. The prayer leader speaks into the alcove, which intensifies the volume.</p>
	Minbar	<p>The Minbar is kind of a pulpit. It is always attached to the wall on the right hand side of the Mihrab. On Fridays and on important holidays, the Imam preaches from this place.</p>

	Kursi	The Kursi is kind of a high bookrest. The sermon is read from this place.
	Embleme	In mosques, there are no objective illustrations of people or animals. When people are supposed to get a special mention, they are mentioned on round tags.