

Important facts about our company

Number of employees:	250
CEO:	Peter Althaus
Headquarters:	Zuchwil, Switzerland
Subsidiaries:	United States, Germany and Belgium
Partner companies:	In 38 countries in Europe, North America, Africa, Asia and Pacific
Turnover:	2009 turnover: CHF 84 million
Products:	Fully automatic coffee machines Small to medium capacity: Siena, Coffee Vito, Coffee Art, Coffee Celebration High capacity: Coffee Art Plus, Coffee Celebration, Twin (Switzerland only), Schaerer Matic
Quality Certificate:	ISO 9001 : 2008 (since 1997)

Milestones

1892	Foundation of Schaerer Ltd., specialising in the manufacture of sterilisation equipment for hospitals.
1924	Using its experience in sterilisation techniques, Schaerer Ltd. manufactures its first traditional coffee machine.
1957	The first automated piston system is developed.
1970	Launch of the first fully automatic coffee machine.
2001	Management buyout by Peter Bigler, CEO.
2003	Co-operation with Württembergische Metallwarenfabrik, Geislingen, Germany (WMF AG) in the following areas: development, procurement and technology.
2003	Launch of the next generation coffee machine: Schaerer Coffee Celebration
2005	Two new coffee machines are launched: Schaerer Coffee Factory and Schaerer Coffee Art. The Coffee Factory is Schaerer's first coffee machine to be available in both fresh milk and powdered milk versions.
2006	January 1st, WMF AG acquires all Schaerer shares. Renewal of the commitment for a future two brand (Schaerer / WMF) strategy.
2007	Launch of the Schaerer Coffee Art Plus; the coffee machine that opens up a unique universe of milk solutions.
2009	Launch of the Schaerer Coffee Vito; the versatile choice for coffee, milk and chocolate.