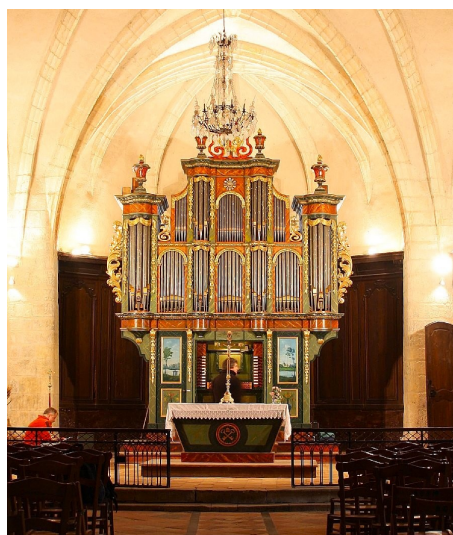


Montpon-Ménestérol, Église Notre-Dame-de-l'Assomption de Ménestérol



Builder	G. Grenzing
Year	ca. 1982
Period/Style	Baroque
Stops	23
Keyboards	2+P
Keyaction	tracker/mechanical
Tuning	Equal at 440 Hz
Sampleset	<u>Sonus Paradisi</u>

Description

The church of Saint Peter in Chains of Ménestérol was built in the XII century in Romanesque style. The western front with portal remains from this period. The interior was rebuilt in the fifteenth century. Two side chapels were added in the seventeenth century.

In the 1970's, the organist Francis Chapelet was looking for a concert instrument for the church. He used the remains of the organ of the Temple St Mathieu de Colmar which had been stored in a dismantled state after a fire. These remains included the case of the organ, the windchest of the Grande Orgue, some mechanical elements and the front pipes. The 23-stop Colmar instrument, which had come close to destruction, had been built by Valentin Rinckenbach in 1842 for the chapel of the old hospital which then became the Temple of St. Mathieu. After restoring, assembling and decorating the case in the choir of Saint Peter, a new instrument was added by Gerhard Grenzing between 1980 and 1982. This consisted of two manuals (Hauptwerk, Oberwerk) and Pedal, with 23 speaking stops in all. In 2006, J. F. Dupont carried out a major overhaul of the organ, adding a Dolzian 8' in place of the small Regal of the Récit.

The organ is built in the style of the North German Baroque, on the model of the smaller Schnitger-type instruments which may be found for example in Grasberg, Pellworm, Noordbroek or Uithuizen.

Stoplist/Disposition

Hauptwerk (G.O.)	Oberwerk (Recit)	Pedal
Bourdon 16'	Bourdon 8'	Soubasse 16'
Montre 8'	Prestant 4'	Flute 8'
Bourdon 8'	Flute 4'	Prinzipal 4'
Prestant 4'	Doublette 2'	Flute 2'
Sesquialtera 2x	Quinte 1 3/5'	Posaune 16'
Nasard 2 2/3'	Sifflet 1'	
Flute 2'	Cymbale	
Plein-Jeu	Dulzian 8'	
Trompette Bass		
Trompette Discant		

Additional: Rec. / G.O., G.O. / Ped., Rec. / Ped., Tremblant Rec.

Sources

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