

# Piltene, Piltenes evaņģēliski luteriskā baznīca

1A, Dzirnāvu iela, Piltene, Latvia



<b>Builder</b>	Anonymous
<b>Year</b>	ca. 1720
<b>Period/Style</b>	Baroque
<b>Stops</b>	9
<b>Keyboards</b>	1
<b>Keyaction</b>	tracker/mechanical

## Description

The documented builder of the Piltene organ is still unknown. There is also disagreement about the year of its construction. According to organ builder Jānis Kalniņš:

“The organ is generally dated to 1722. This date is scratched into the side of the organ case. However, this is a mistaken assumption because a description of the church's consecration ceremony mentions that there was already an organ, which was brought from Kuldīga as a gift from Landrat Wilhelm Alexander von Heyking (Heyking, 1649-1714). This is confirmed by the family coat of arms on the façade under the central tower.

At that time (approximately from 1717 to 1720), the only organ builder working in Kuldīga was Gabriel Mosengel (Mosengel), the son of the famous Königsberg organ builder Johann Josua Mosengel (Johann Josua Mosengel, 16.09.1663 - 18.01.1731).”

On January 17, 1866, Liepāja organ builder C. Herrmann submitted a cost proposal for a complete rebuild of the organ, essentially a new construction, retaining only 20 Bourdon 16' pipes.

As stated in an inscription on the organ, in June 1948, Jēkabs Jauģietis built new bellows.

In 1989-1990, the organ was repaired by D. Lotovs and V. Juodis from Moscow.

In 2005, an electric ventilator was installed by Viesturs Ilsums.

## Stoplist/Disposition

### Manual

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Bordun a 16'

Gedeckt a 8'

Principal a 4'

Spielflot a 4'

Quint a 3'

Octava a 2'

Tertz a 1 3/5'

Mixtur a 3 fach

Trommet a 8'

**Additional:** Tremulant, Cimbel (Zimbelstern)

### Sources

[https://orgcat.lv/piltene\\_vesture.htm](https://orgcat.lv/piltene_vesture.htm)