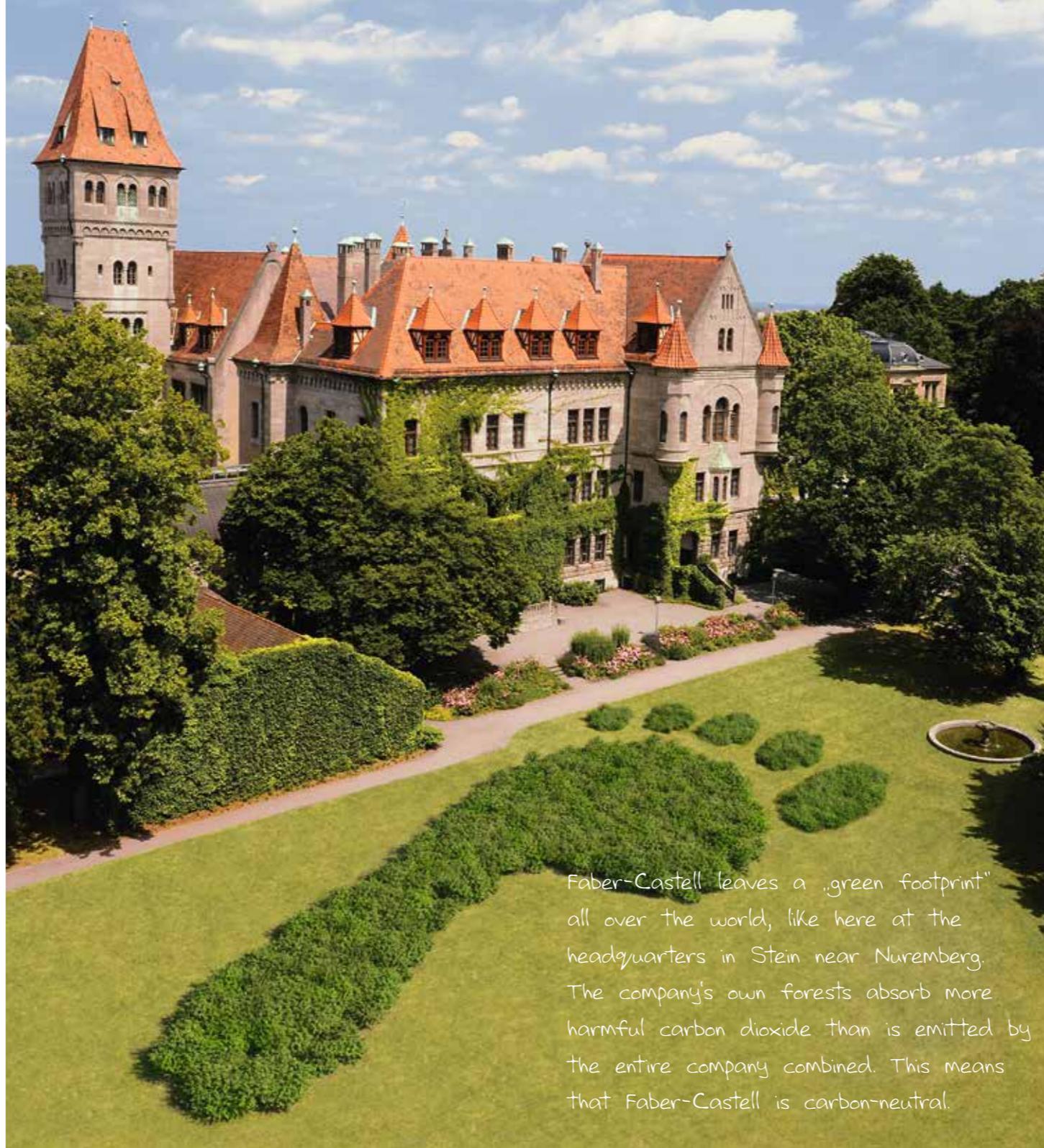




Sustainable pencil forests in Brazil

In south-east Brazil, 2000 kilometres from the Amazon rainforest, the Faber-Castell pine forests stretch over a total of 10,000 hectares of former wasteland in the middle of the savannah. The project was initiated back in 1982 to ensure that the demand for top-quality wood can be covered from our own sources over the long-term. Today, almost a third of the FSC® certified forests are not farmed and are left in their natural state. These forests are home to rare species of animals and plants, some of which are endangered. Harvested areas are continually replanted in accordance with the strict requirements of FSC® certification, creating a continuous ecological cycle.



Faber-Castell leaves a „green footprint“ all over the world, like here at the headquarters in Stein near Nuremberg. The company's own forests absorb more harmful carbon dioxide than is emitted by the entire company combined. This means that Faber-Castell is carbon-neutral.



Long-term cooperation in Colombia

The economically underdeveloped north of Colombia frequently suffered from flooding and poor harvests in the past due to overgrazing. Since 2011, Faber-Castell has been working with around 50 small farmers along the Rio Magdalena, who are planting over 2000 hectares of forest for the company on part of their grazing land in return for a share in the sales proceeds for the wood. The project not only offers farmers prospects for the future, but also helps to support ecological and economic stabilisation in the region. At the same time, Faber-Castell has secured a supply of fast-growing wood that is perfect for producing its wood-cased pencils.



The forests in Brazil absorb the equivalent of 240 balloons full of carbon per second.



United against poverty

For many of the 51 small farmers in Colombia, the cooperation with Faber-Castell means secure employment and economic prospects for the first time ever. They are now able to invest in education, for example, to strengthen the communities in the long term.



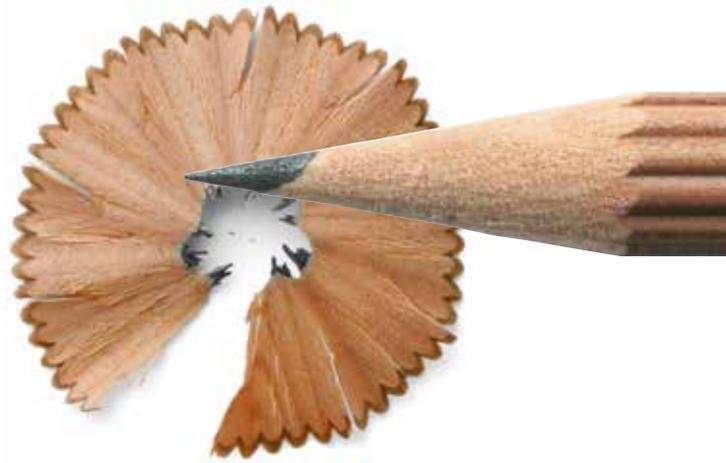
Social charter

With the social charter signed in 2000, Faber-Castell guarantees social and working standards all over the world. This includes banning child labour, offering equal opportunities and equal treatment of all employees, ensuring safe working conditions and paying fair wages under humane working conditions. The compliance with the social charter is checked regularly by auditors.



As the first company in the stationery sector worldwide Faber-Castell operates entirely carbon-neutral - from forest to distribution.

Faber-Castell only uses wood from sustainably managed forests.



Environmentally friendly products

For Faber-Castell, environmental protection also means looking at the entire lifecycle of a product - from environmentally-friendly development, through to disposal. Faber-Castell products are made from environmentally-friendly raw materials that are low in harmful substances, have a long service life and are refillable where possible.



Faber-Castell products have a long lifetime thanks to the use of high quality, environmentally friendly plastics like polypropylene.