My building is a shop in which to hire or buy bikes, kayaks, hiking or climbing gear. Situated in the centre of Freme, these are activities common to the area surrounding it, such as the River Aare and numerous mountains.

Considering the use of the shop, I had to consider the size of the floor space needed to try out the equipment as well as quite a large storage space. I have used an emerald stone as inspiration for my design as it is a natural form and this shop sells products to be used in nature. This inspiration can be seen in the external cladding of the building. Clad in a dark, rough material on all externally visible parts of the structure whilst revealing the unusual, textured, reflective shapes on all walls that cut back into the building. I wanted to replicate the way that the light reflects off the different shapes inside the structure as these walls so I have made them all differ in angle, colour and texture of the stone. This was inspired from the style of buildings common to Bern. However, I think it addresses the lifestyle, climate and needs of Switzerland.