SCHÄFFER MILESTONES



Company founded by Heinrich Schäffer.

1956



Production of the first front loader for agricultural tractors.

1963



Currently 50 employees. Exhibitions at national and international trade fairs. Development of the first industrial front loader with parallel guide.

1972



New construction of a complete production system with a hall area of 6,400 square metres, as well as of an administrative wing of 1,000 square metres.

1980



Development of the first 860 wheel loader for applications outside the agricultural sector.

1987



Development of the first telescopic wheel loader with articulated joint, the 870 T.

1996



New construction of the production line and paint shop. Currently 200 employees.

2008

Rüdiger Lohoff is appointed as managing director.

2013

1960



Production launch of harvesting forks, combined forks and beet forks for front loaders.

1970



Development of the "SILOREX" silo discharging system.



Development of the first D25 compact wheel loader (28 hp), a crucial moment in the company's history. It is the first loader with hydrostatic drive and quick-change system on the global market.

1981



Jürgen Jachalke and Siegfried Schäffer take over as managing partners of the company following the death of Heinrich Schäffer.

1990



Sales launch in the new federal states of Germany. Establishment of the Maschinenfabrik Schäffer Vertrieb & Service GmbH in Döbeln.

2003



New construction of a modern training centre.

2010



The first SLT compact loader with low height option.

2014



Further development of a technically diversified loader series for the construction sector. Development of important new markets at home and abroad. Currently 300 employees.