

#18. MARIAPARKEN

Location:

Vejle, Denmark

Year: 2013

Theme(s):

Partnership/ Inclusivity

Languages: English/Danish

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WHY IS THIS A GOOD EXAMPLE?

Apart from being an active urban area, Mariaparken is a beautiful and pleasant place to visit for people of all ages. The park offers active and urban zones, aesthetic and sensual landscaping, small, private and enclosed areas as well as large open spaces which ensure versatile use of the park all year round. The idea behind Maria Park was to attract girls and young women by incorporating areas for cultural events and zones for "hanging out". Safety and security issues have been of great importance, thus the arena and paths are well lit and can be used at night, as well as during the dark winter months when the arena is converted into an ice skating rink.



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DESCRIPTION

Mariaparken is a new public green area in the center of Vejle, a medium-sized municipality in Denmark. Standing on a former parking lot, the park covers 13,500 m² and focuses on sports and physical activities. The new park is open and inviting, and acts as a visual green connection between parks to the West, the centrally located City Park and the urban pedestrian zones in the mid city. The park is a centrally located green pivot point which easily accommodates large music and sporting events, a cozy picnic amongst the trees, ice skating in the winter months, roller skating, ball games and much more.

Owner

The municipality of Vejle

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