

C.Th.Sørensen

"... number 23 would be perfect for my outdoors loving neighbour, number 4 would fit my sister and her family, and I am probably a number 35" Joost Emmerik



39 GARDEN PLANS UNUSUAL GARDENS FOR AN ORDINARY HOUSE

This English edition of the classic *39 Garden Plans* (*39 Haveplaner*, 1966) by renowned Danish garden and landscape architect C.Th. Sørensen presents a series of exceptional examples of garden architecture. Simplicity, originality, love and expertise are characteristics that apply to the gardens in this volume. Every garden plan is based on an idea, an inspiration that is depicted along with the plan. The example could be a farm garden or a park at a castle, a greenhouse complex or a Renaissance parterre. But the idea is the same all the time: it must be realisable within the grounds of an ordinary house. *39 Garden Plans* is thus a catalogue of the (spatial) possibilities of garden art. It empowers practitioners and the true lover of garden architecture and garden art.

First published in 1966 and still relevant today

Almost 60 years ago, C.Th. Sørensen published 39 *Haveplaner* for the first time. Up until now, the book has only been available in Danish, and since 1995, it has also been available in Dutch. With the renewed interest and popularity of garden design, C.Th. Sørensen's classical work with its spatial and architectural focus is an indispensable guide.

The introduction to this English edition was written by the Dutch garden and landscape architect Lodewijk Wiegersma.

What is your favourite garden?

On the occasion of the publication of the English edition, Uitgeverij Blauwdruk asked both C.Th. Sørensen and his daughter, Sonja Poll, what their favourite garden is out of the 39 options. C. Th. picked nr. 39 and illustrated his choice as follows:

'Nr. 39, titled: Is a rainbow garden possible? is as simple as the first one, perhaps it is the finest plan, but it can be questioned whether it is possible at all. However, I have to make a choice, and I think it will be this one.'



His daughter, Sonja, first of all picks her own garden at the Kastanievej in Frederiksberg, which is in fact, she mentions, very similar to nr. 28. Her favourite from 39 Garden Plans is nr. 13, titled Simple beds in grass. She writes:

'This plan fascinates me with its multitude of possibilities. One can continue to fantasise and plant trees, grow perennials, roses and kitchen herbs. One can even place a water bassin or a sculpture. This plan can create space, and it plays with light and shade. While taking care of it, this garden will change over time.'



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'Since gardens can bring great happiness to a large number of people, I did a little research into what is possible in a very ordinary garden situation'

C.Th. Sørensen



