

CATEGORY 1: MUNICIPAL GREEN AREAS – ECOLOGICALLY DESIGNED AND CULTIVATED

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ING. WERNER SELLINGER / GRÜNPLAN GMBH AND MUNICIPALITY TULLN (AT, SINCE 2015) ART- UND RECREATIONAL AREA DONAULÄNDE TULLN

The town of Tulln can look back on a long tradition as a garden town offering a high quality of life. This is also reflected in the town's public area. On the occasion of the garden festival "Green Art", the front yard of the ship station has been redesigned. With 140 Danube ships, the international cycling path located on the embankment, and as a recreation and event area, the "Art and Recreational Area Donaulände" is much frequented by different age and user groups on a daily basis. The purpose of the project was to upgrade the banks of the Danube with its lively walking, running and cycling paths and to create a diversified, attractive free space with a recognisable value for inhabitants and visitors alike. 19.300 climate-friendly, locally adapted, indigenous and exotic shrubs and grasses have been planted in mulched shrub beds on the towpath and the dam embankments and free spaces on the city side. With variable flower aspects, they nourish countless insects over the entire vegetation period and visualise natural processes and seasonal changes. Near the city centre, wild animals find space for breeding and retreat thanks to bushes and rock formations. Seating furniture invites visitors to take a rest, and larch wood decks, serving as "water staircases", provide access to the Danube, on the banks of which there are guest marinas, an experience and restaurant ship, the Danube Stage, the alluvial forest, as well as DIE GARTEN TULLN. The maintenance of the public green spaces takes place in a purely environmentally oriented manner, sustainably, as well as in accordance with the criteria of „Natur im Garten“.

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