

THE MAIN ENTRANCE

Tivoli Tivoli distinguishes itself from other Pleasure Gardens in that it has many entrances, thereby providing an a easy access in to the Gardens from all parts of Copenhagen.

In the beginning there was only the Main Entrance which was situated on Vesterbros Passage, exactly where it is today on Vesterbrogade. The original entrance was a modest wooden gateway which was later replaced by an Oriental gateway designed by Dahlerup, who also designed the Pantomime Theatre. The present Main Entrance dates back to 1890 and was designed by Richardt Bergmann and Emil Blichfeldt.



The portal today is flanked by a building on each side for each of the two directors of Tivoli. Previously, however there was a building complex including buildings such as the Apollo Theatre, Tivoli's offices, the portal and the restaurant Wivel - later Wivex - which went around the corner and right down along Bernstorffsgade.

Apollo and Wivex were torn down at the end of the 1960's. The remainder of the complex is being carefully preserved. In 1993 the Main Entrance was restored using specially made tiles and bricks. Tivoli won the Europa Nostra Prize presented by HRH Prince Henrik in recognition of its restoration efforts.

The Glyptotek Entrance

The Chinese style portal was built in 1907 and was designed by the then director of Tivoli, architect Knud Arne-Petersen. In 1995 the entrance was covered over when the ride the Grasshopper, now the Dragon, was placed in the same corner on an artificial plateau. In 1998 the entrance was rebuilt and the portal underwent some essential changes to enable it to use Tivoli's new, electronic ticketing system which was tested at the Glyptotek Entrance.

Station Entrance

It was natural to make an entrance opposite Copenhagen's new Central Station inaugurated in 1911. The first Station Entrance was designed in a Japanese style by Knud Arne-Petersen in 1912. An impressive staircase with lights on either side led down to Tivoli, which lies on a lower level than Bernstorffsgade.

The present Station Entrance is from 1966.