

European Garden Award 2011

Europäischer Gartenpreis 2011

After the successful start in 2010, the European Garden Awards by EGHN and the Schloss Dyck Foundation was awarded for the second time on Friday 2nd September 2011.

Here are winners and finalists of the European Garden Award 2011 in three categories:

CATEGORY 1:

BEST DEVELOPMENT OF A HISTORIC PARK OR GARDEN



WINNER: VILLA OTTOLENGHI (ITALY)

Designed by Pietro Porcinai

The Monterosso complex in Acqui Terme is the only example in Italy of a close collaboration between architects, painters, sculptors and patrons giving life to a villa filled with important works of art.

Count Arturo Ottolenghi and his wife Herta von Wedekind zu Horst entrusted the design of the gardens of Villa Ottolenghi to the Italian landscape architect Pietro Porcinai. Around the villa he created the formal garden, both in communication with architecture of the villa and with nature. His design incorporated the well, the studies, the "Cisterone" and included the walk that runs along the border of the complex.

With the Graffiti, the wisteria pergola, the pool, the cellar, the works of arts and small details they form a path of discovery. Visitors can also enjoy the first Japanese garden of Porcinai, called "Garden of Stones." In 2006 Villa Ottolenghi was sold to a wine merchant couple who developed the site and the gardens as a flagship within their business.