

Clay Heritage *Nature of Home*



Tante Kee — *Kaag*



The beautiful island of Kaag is located in a convenient position in the northerly region of the lakes close to both Amsterdam and Leiden. Since it is surrounded by natural areas of greenery, including suggestive coves and peaceful meadows, it ranks as one of the most beautiful and evocative locations in the Netherlands. The elegant restaurant Tante Kee is located along the long shores of Kaag, and its water-side terrace conveys a laid-back, tranquil feeling.

Maarten de Groot is the brilliant landscape architect and designer behind Tante Kee. He strives every time to work closely with his customers providing customised solutions that grasp their ideas and inspirations. Moreover, Maarten uses his creativity and knowledge to design planting areas that stand out for their versatility and their charm.

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The entrance to the restaurant is marked by white K pebbles that lead to the doors where an elegant, white MR model is placed just in front of the dark grey wall, creating a charming contrast. The soft and rounded shapes of the pebbles are complemented by verdant, rounded species of Boxus, brightening the area. The heavy density of the clay is lightened by vertical walls of glass and metal pillars which also serve to lighten the boardwalk shaded by lush vegetation.

On the charming deck of light grey wood, white MR vases planted with Boxus are gathered in small groups, harmonising the space. Their moderate size is thought to establish a solid, elegant presence without obstructing the breath-taking view of the lake that makes Tante Kee Restaurant such a unique location.

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