



# Welcome to Skovvang

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# Skovvang

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## **Above all;**

Skovvang is a home

- 105 residents - living with late stage dementia - needing special care and support
- Hundreds of friends and family members visit Skovvang on a regular basis
- Through our 'Dagcenter' Skovvang offers care and support to people with dementia still living at home (eg. by visiting two or three times a week depending on individual needs)
- 20 short term appartements for people coming directly from the hospital - or - in the proces of determining the need of an appartement in a nursery home

## **Last but not least;**

A workplace for more than 200 professionals (care workers, therapist, nurses, nutritionists, psychologist and many more)

– everyone working to improve the livelihood of our dear residents





# A specialized nursing home

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A wide selection of dementia experts – including representatives from the danish 'Nationalt Videnscenter for Demens' – has participated in qualifying the architectural and decorative choices of Skovvang regarding;

- **Room division and angeling of hallways**  
(reduces ambulation and noise)
- **Choice of colours**  
(as beacons and contrast)
- **Lighting following the circadian rhythm**  
(stimulates senses and creates comfortable spaces)
- **Unique art created with dementia in mind**  
(adaptive and memory-creating)
- **Garden spaces**  
(different environmental experiences, views and cozy terraces)
- **Individual showcasing of life stories**  
(pictures on the following slide)

Skovvang was nominated for the Nohrcon award 'Health building of the year 2021'



# Co-working with relatives

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In danish 'dementia' is often referred to as 'de pårørendes sygdom' - or 'the illness of relatives'.

Therefore, being a relative to a person living at Skovvang can be difficult.

Many relatives experience grief and sorrow in the proces of moving a loved one – eg. a husband or mother – to an appartement at Skovvang.

Some relatives unfortunately experience a rapid development in their loved ones illness, which causes some to arrive in a stage of crisis and sometimes even depression.

## **To ensure a constructive cooperation with relatives, we strive to:**

- meet relatives exactly where they are in their own proces
- create visible everyday leadership including participation during the receiving of new residents. The goal being to ensure an approachable leading figure
- continue offering network groups, conversations with psychologists and thematic arrangements to relatives
- ensure qualified communication to relatives through a permanent hiring of a relative consultant



# Time for a tour

