

CASE STUDY · EXPANDIA

NATURALISTIC LANDSCAPE & PLANTING DESIGN

A site-responsive planting strategy for a large commercial landscape, developed from early concept through multidisciplinary coordination to detailed planting documentation.

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CONTEXT

FROM SITE TO LANDSCAPE

The project began with an established site structure and a client ambition to move beyond a conventional commercial landscape. The surrounding woodland and open, rocky ground became an important reference for a more naturalistic, biodiverse and resilient planting approach.

EXISTING PROJECT FRAMEWORK

Site masterplan and architectural design by project consultants.
Green View Studios focused on landscape character, vegetation and
planting design.



Original site plan

STORMWATER AS LANDSCAPE

The stormwater pond was the first part of the landscape to move into implementation. Working within the engineered geometry, the planting strategy responded to fluctuating water conditions, erosion risk and establishment — turning a technical basin into a more nature-based landscape.



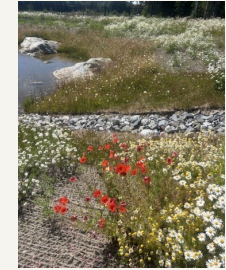
CONSTRUCTION



ESTABLISHMENT



MOISTURE



SEASONAL LIFE



WET

DRY

wet meadow / erosion control

shrub layer / transition

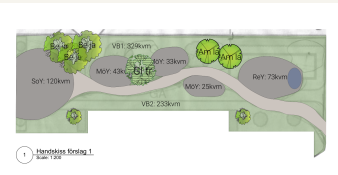
woody structure / meadow seeding
/ drier ground

MOISTURE GRADIENT

EXPLORING THE LANDSCAPE

Alternative courtyard concepts tested the relationship between planting, movement, gathering and the proportion of green space. The selected direction was then developed digitally to study spatial relationships, vegetation and changing light conditions.

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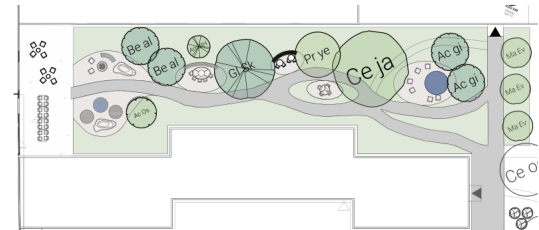
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SELECTED DIRECTION · DEVELOPED PLANTING CHARACTER



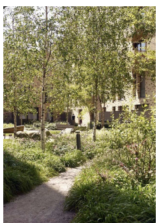
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Gestaltning – Innergård
Innergården utformas som ett lummigt, mjukt och vistelsevänligt rum med fokus på återhämtning, informella möten och närhet till grönska. Gestaltningen tar avstamp i ett naturalistiskt formspråk där organiska linjer, varierade nivåer och en rik växtstruktur samverkar för att skapa en intim och trygg miljö nära byggnaden.

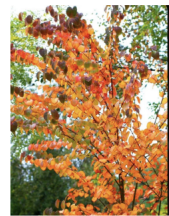
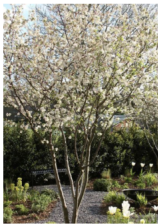
Gångstråken löper mjukt genom gården och kopplar samman entréer, mötesrum och sittplatser. Träd- och buskplanteringar används för att skapa rumslighet, filtrera ljus och ge skydd mot insyn, samtidigt som siktlinjer och orienterbarhet bibehålls. Den gröna strukturen bidrar till ett behagligt mikroklimat med skugga under sommarhalvåret och ett öppnare ljusinsläpp vintertid.

Innergården fungerar som en lugn kontrast till de mer öppna och funktionella ytorna runtomkring och utgör en central del i helhetsupplevelsen av Expandas utemiljö – ett grönt vardagsrum för pauser, samtal och rörelse.

Exempelbilder för att visa formspråk och trädkaraktär



ETT GRÖNT MÖTESRUM & ÅTERHÄMTNING
Innergården formas som ett mjukt, sammanhängande landskapsrum där växtlighet, topografi och sittplatser samverkar till en lugn och inbjudande miljö för pauser och informella möten.

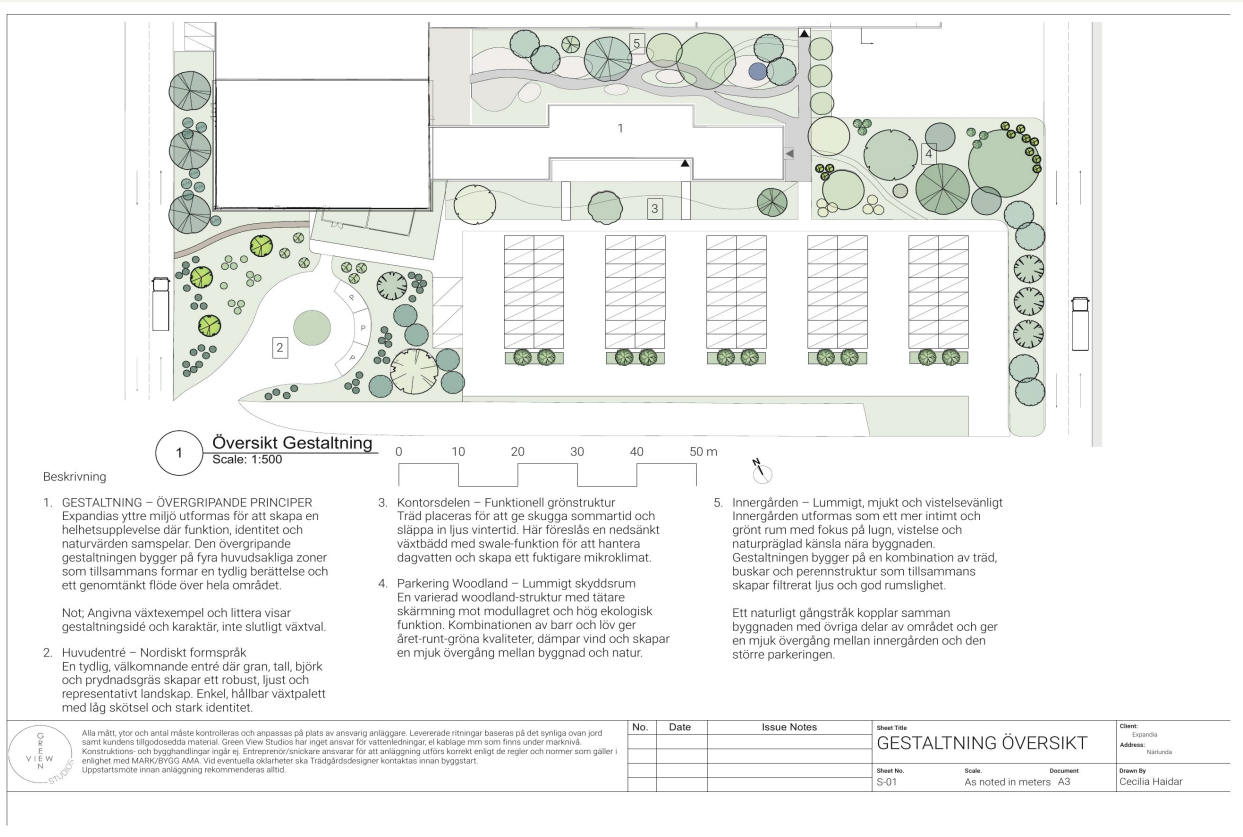


LIV ÅRET RUNT
Malus Everest - prydnadsapel
Cercidiphyllum japonicum - katsura



	Alla mått, ytor och antal måste kontrolleras och anpassas på plats av ansvarig anläggare. Levererade ritningar baseras på det tryckta ovan jord samt kundens tillgodosedda material. Green View Studios har inget ansvar för vattenledningar, el kablage mm som finns under marknivå. Konstruktions- och bygghandlingar ingår ej. Entreprenör/snickare ansvarar för att anläggning utförs korrekt enligt de regler och normer som gäller i enlighet med MABK/BYGG AMA. Vid eventuella oklarheter ska Trädgröndesigner kontaktas innan byggstart. Uppstartsmöte innan anläggning rekommenderas alltid.	No.	Date	Issue Notes	Sheet Title	Client:
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A LANDSCAPE FRAMEWORK



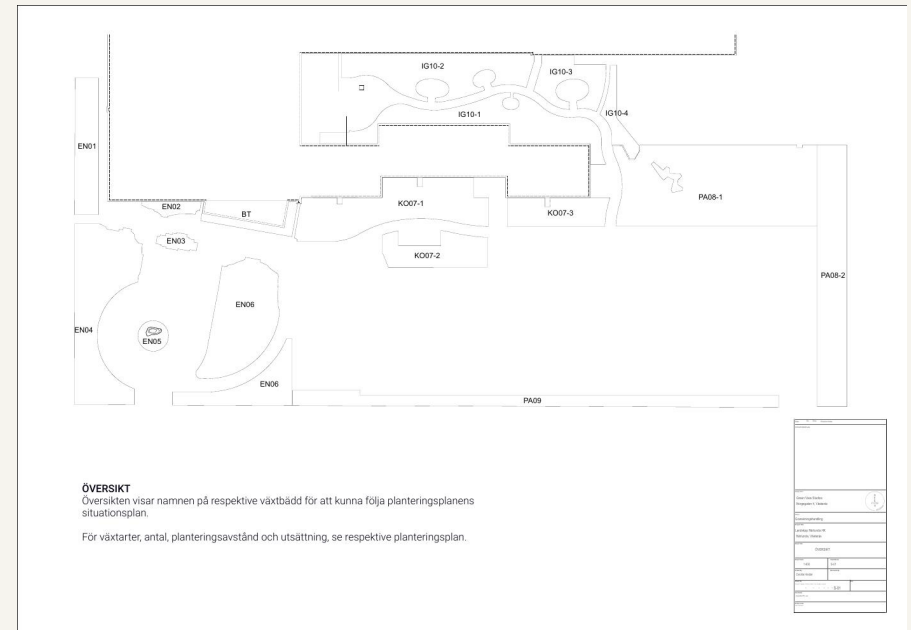
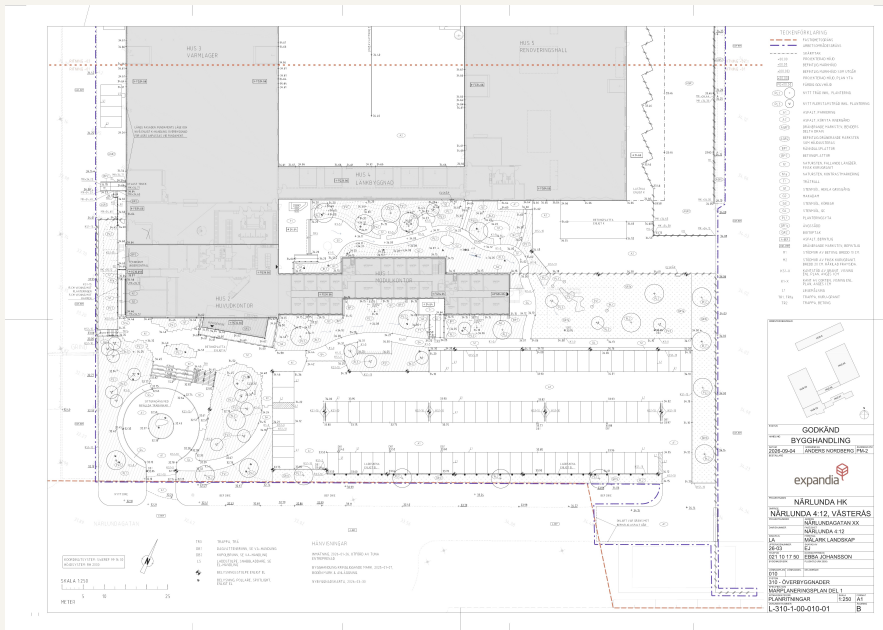
A site-wide tree and vegetation framework established the character for the next stage of the project. Different landscape characters responded to use, scale and environmental conditions, while trees formed the structural layer for microclimate, seasonal change and the planting communities that followed.

- COURTYARD soft · sheltered · social
- MAIN ENTRANCE open · legible · nordic
- OFFICE LANDSCAPE sightlines · seasonal interest · movement
- WOODLAND layered · resilient · biodiverse
- PARKING robust · art diverse · climate-adapted

COORDINATION

DESIGN THROUGH COLLABORATION

This split — one partner for technical/structural delivery, one for planting — let both disciplines get more depth than a single-handed commission usually allows.



MÄLARK · TECHNICAL DELIVERY

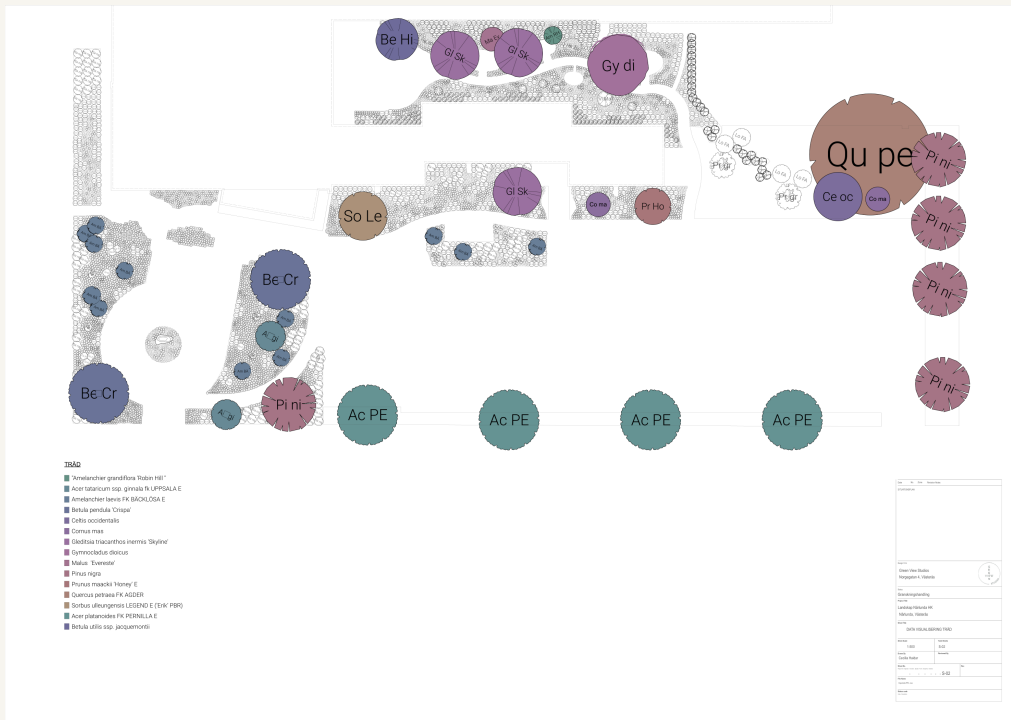
GVS · PLANTING AREAS

As technical coordination progressed, the framework was tested against utilities, grading, access, fencing, future development and construction requirements. Technical landscape and grading design was developed by Mälark while Green View Studios refined the vegetation strategy within the coordinated site structure.

DATA

DATA-DRIVEN VEGETATION STRUCTURE

Vectorworks data visualisation was used to isolate key vegetation layers and review how the structural planting framework was distributed across the site.



TREE LAYER

large-scale structure · canopy distribution

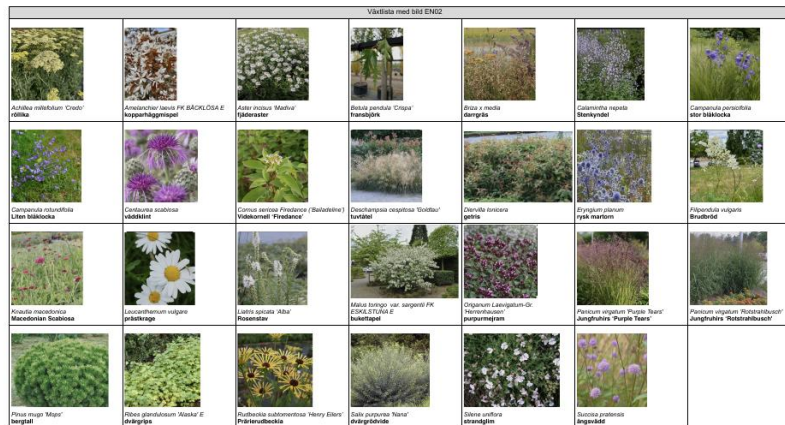
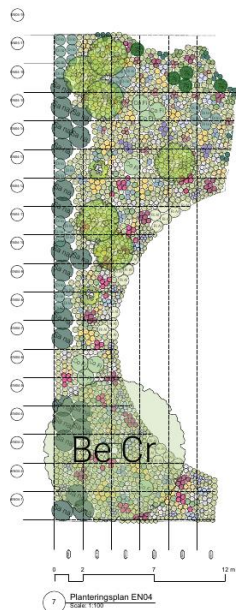


SHRUB LAYER

secondary structure · density · transitions

PLANTING

PLANTING AS A LIVING SYSTEM



Littera	Antal	Vetenskapligt Namn	Svenskt Namn	Kvalitet	Planteringsavstånd	Växtbild
Ac Cr	61	Achillea millefolium 'Credo'	rotika	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Am BA	6	Amelanchier laevis FK B&C/O&A E	kopparsläggmispel	Sol 150-200 K	cc 2,5-3m	EN04
As Ma	21	Aster incultus 'Madrol'	fildrastar	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Be Cr	1	Betula pendula 'Cristal'	fransbjörk	Hst 3x 20-25 K	cc 35cm	EN04
Br me	341	Briza x media	darrgräs	A-kval	cc 30cm	EN04
Ca ne	23	Callitriche nepeta	stenkrydd	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Ca pe	18	Campylosiphia perfoliata	stör blåklöcka	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Ca ro	82	Campylosiphia rotundifolia	liten blåklöcka	A-kval	cc 20cm	EN04
Ca sc	112	Centaurea scabiosa	viddiklart	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Co Fi	8	Cornus sericea 'Friedance' (Balladine)	'Videkornell' 'Friedance'	Busk C3,5	120cm	EN04
De Go	638	Deschampsia cespitosa 'Goldtau'	tuvtärl	A-kval	cc 40cm	EN04
Di lo	30	Diervilla lonicera	getris	Busk C3,5	cc 80cm	EN04
Er ol	54	Eryngium planum	ryk marion	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Fi vu	52	Filipendula vulgaris	brudbröd	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Kn ma	50	Knautia macedonica	Macedonian Scabiosa	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Le vu	54	Leucanthemum vulgare	prickstige	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Li Al	45	Liatris spicata 'Alba'	Rosenstav	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Ma sa	2	Malus torquosa var. sargentii FK ESKILSTUN	bukettapel	Sol 125-150 Co	cc 150cm	EN04
Or He	62	Oreganum laetigatum Gr. 'Herrenhaus'	purpurmejm	A-kval	cc 35cm	EN04
Pa PT	40	Panicum virgatum 'Purple Tears'	Jungfrufris 'Purple Tears'	A-kval	cc 40cm	EN04
Pe Ro	8	Panicum virgatum 'Rotebrahmbusch'	Jungfrufris 'Rotebrahmbusch'	A-kval	cc 40cm	EN04
Pi Me	5	Pinus mugo 'Mops'	berstall	30-40 Co	cc 1m	EN04
Ri Al	20	Ribes glandulosum 'Alaska' E	duggris	Busk C3,5	cc 80cm	EN04
Ru HE	72	Rudbeckia subtomentosa 'Henry Ellers'	Prärierutbeckia	A-kval	cc 40cm	EN04
Sal Na	21	Salix purpurea 'Nana'	duggrodder	Busk C3,5	cc 1m	EN04
Si un	15	Silene uniflora	strandglim	A-kval	cc 30cm	EN04
Su ra	33	Succisa pratensis	långvädd	A-kval	cc 30cm	EN04



Each planting area was developed in response to its position and function. Species selection considered microclimate, orientation, moisture availability, movement and visibility alongside ecological value, seasonal change and long-term performance.

ECOLOGY

habitat · pollinators · diversity

EXPERIENCE

seasonality · structure · movement

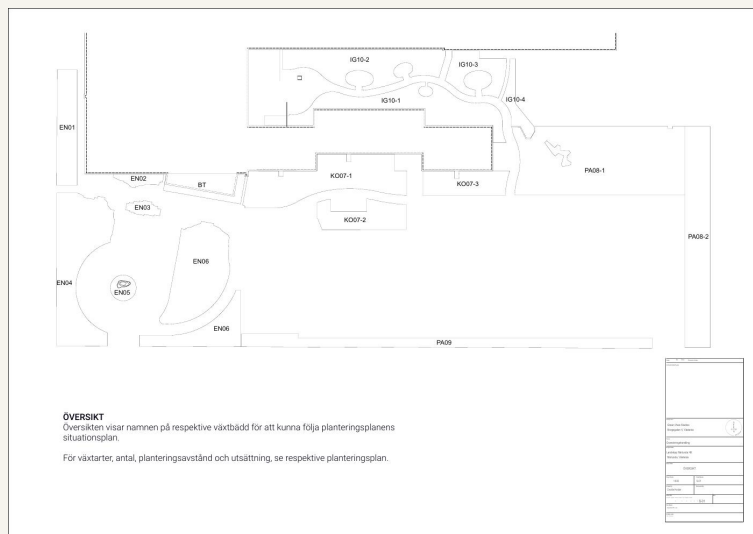
RESILIENCE

site conditions · establishment · management

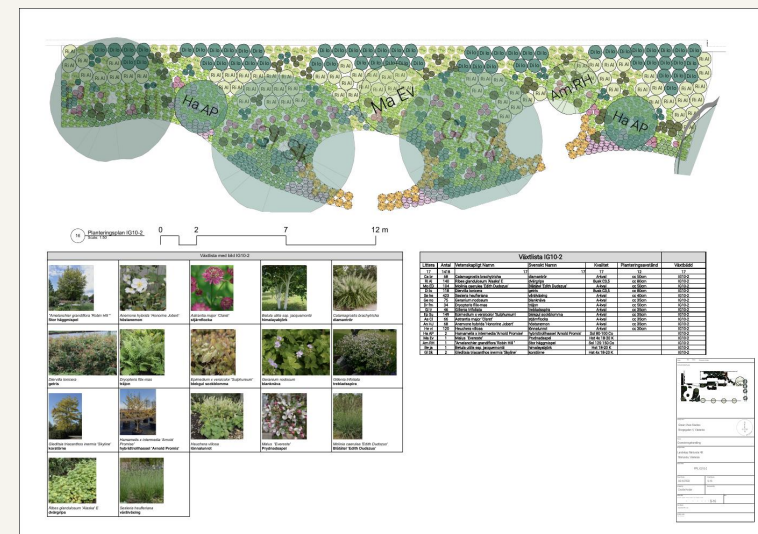
Planting intensity was balanced across the site, combining detailed perennial communities with larger shrub and woody structures where scale, maintenance and project economy called for a different approach.

FROM DESIGN TO DOCUMENTATION

LANDSCAPE SCALE → PLANTING DETAIL



The strategy was developed into detailed planting plans in Vectorworks Landmark, connecting spatial design with plant data including species, quantities, qualities and planting distances.



DESIGNED FOR LONG-TERM MANAGEMENT

Perennial vegetation is intended to be cut back in spring, with plant material retained within the beds as organic mulch — reducing exposed soil and returning organic material to the planting system.

Landscape character · Naturalistic planting strategy · Courtyard concept · Stormwater planting · Tree & vegetation framework · Detailed planting design · Vectorworks Landmark

ABOUT

GREEN VIEW STUDIOS

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Green View Studios is a Swedish landscape and planting design studio specialising in site-responsive, naturalistic and ecologically grounded design.

The studio works across private and professional landscape projects, combining planting expertise, digital design and collaborative project development to create resilient landscapes shaped by the conditions of each site.

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