Play spaces and water – places that attract

Water – hardly any other medium has such a strong appeal as the “wet element”! Children have the opportunity to experience the “grownups’ working world” at the playground according to the motto “working with sand and water”. These types of work role-playing games are characteristically cooperative and communicative and therefore particularly intensive. But how does the water get there? What ways are there to move it? Which play equipment is suitable?

Richter Spielgeräte GmbH from Frasdorf have developed flexible modular systems, which – irrespective of whether they are made of wood, metal or concrete – make up attractive water play installations. Floodgates, water switches, millwheels and bucket wheels demonstrate the power of water. “Water sprays” – according to this “motto”, technically sophisticated objects offer children great fun at play! The Splash Pump, the Little Whale and the Water Jet are all examples of equipment with a high play value. The “Little Whale” is a very special “eye-catcher”. Its unusual design, which forms the abstract shape of a whale body, conceals a special (technical) inner life. Water can be pumped into the body by balancing on the back and using to-and-fro movements. This causes a water spray to appear as a small fountain through an opening in the forehead. On warm days children also like to lie on the back to relax and “chill out” for a moment.

The “Little Whale” is around 170 centimetres long. For all to-and-fro movements we use bush bearings, which allow for self-lubrication while in use. The equipment is made of stainless steel (V2A). It is also available with a special steel alloy (V4A) for use in chlorinated water. Pedestrian areas, outdoor pools, leisure areas or spaces and tourist areas are all ideal locations for the water sculpture.

Rope ferries, rafts or special water bridges for balancing are used on the water itself. They promote strength, coordination and abilities. And on the subject of how water promotes skills: the imposing Nautilus Snail, the Scooping Wheel and the “classic”, the Archimedes Screw, make it possible to experience and explore physical phenomena.

“Water and Play” – in a 140-page download (www.richter-spielgeraete.de/wasser-und-spiel.html) there is a description of our whole comprehensive and high-quality “water” range.

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