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- First monograph on the work of Stockholm-based firm In Praise of Shadows Architecture
- Features some 40 of their designs through previously unpublished photographs, plans and drawings, and texts
- Sustainability is a core part of In Praise of Shadows Architecture's philosophy, and the firm has a focus on sophisticated timber construction

Founded by Fredric Benesch and Katarina Lundeberg in 2009, Stockholm-based firm In Praise of Shadows Architecture engages in a wide range of projects of varied scales and typologies. This first monograph on their work features some 40 buildings and projects from the years 2009 to 2024. The selection includes small boathouses and garden pavilions, private homes, and housing developments, as well as retail spaces, schools, and library buildings.

The ideas and designs of In Praise of Shadows Architecture are remarkable, revealed in buildings which share an elegant signature that manifests itself in the choice of materials, the shaping of these, and a focus on spatial experience. Many of them are timber constructions, as sustainability is a core part of their philosophy. Unusually for a group of architects working from Stockholm, Benesch and Lundeberg and their collaborators take a special interest in the famous architectural culture of the Swiss canton of Grisons.

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