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- First monograph on the important Austrian firm driendl*architects
- An exceptional, literary-visual exploration of their work and vision

Since its establishment in 1996, Vienna-based firm driendl*architects have pursued their search for prototype solutions in furniture and building design, infrastructure, and urban planning. The notion that we are constantly situated in a built environment, or in any case influencing it in some way or another, is guiding all their projects and is reflected in this new book. *Ritual / Original* reviews driendl*architects' work in a striking literary-visual manner, analysing in theory and exemplified by selected designs the circumstances of their approach: How environment and users affect buildings, cities, infrastructures, and systems; the effect of the inevitable discrepancy between vision and reality; and architects' capacity to observe and react to social structures and phenomena.

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