



**Newcomer Darren Saines scoops a silver-gilt medal with his
Kebony – Naturally Norway show garden at the
2010 RHS Chelsea Flower Show**

Today, Chelsea newcomer Darren Saines was delighted with the news that he has been awarded a silver-gilt medal at the 2010 RHS Chelsea Flower Show for his *Kebony – Naturally Norway* show garden. He comments "designing, building and showing the Kebony – Naturally Norway garden has been one of the highlights of my career. I am very happy with the result and will be back next year looking for that gold!"

Darren has never exhibited at any RHS show before making him one of the few newcomers to come straight to Chelsea and be awarded a silver-gilt medal. Strong competition was seen across the board in a year duped 'a vintage' by the Daily Telegraph.

Darren took inspiration for the garden from the enchanting and diverse landscape of Norway. The garden is also the first garden at the show for Norway and uses eco-friendly products throughout its design including a sustainable alternative tropical hardwood from Kebony, bioethanol burners from EcoSmart and boundary wall made from recycled wood from Durisol.

Kebony, the main sponsor of the garden who provided the wood used for the decking and pavilion structure, were delighted to hear the news. Jan Terje Nielsen, Marketing Director of Kebony commented "We are thrilled with the outcome; Darren and the whole team involved in the garden, from the suppliers to contractors, deserve to feel very proud indeed. It has been a pleasure to work with Darren to deliver his first Chelsea garden, and what a result!"

For more information about the award-winning *Kebony – Naturally Norway* show garden visit www.naturallynorway.com

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Kebony ASA

Kebony wood is an award winning sustainable alternative to tropical and toxic treated wood protection. Kebony ASA has developed a revolutionary technology 'Kebonization' that hardens sustainable wood species such as pine and maple. The process is environmentally friendly and uses waste materials from sugarcane production. The result is Kebony wood - a material that is as beautiful, durable and as stable as most tropical timbers, yet practically maintenance free.

Kebony has supplied materials to hundreds of projects in Norway and have several international distributors. Can be used for decking, wooden piers, cladding, boat decks and much more. www.kebonny.com

Darren Saines

Darren Saines is one of Norway's most renowned garden designers, with an impressive portfolio that reflects his inspirations and insights gathered from different cultures over the years. With over 22 years of experience, the last 10 in Norway, Darren has carved a name for himself creating practical yet dynamic and enjoyable gardens; he is a master at creating spaces that can be used through the seasons.

A media star in Norway, Darren is a regular columnist in the national press and frequently appears across a range of TV programmes. He also teaches, inspiring the budding youth through seminars, lectures and demonstrations. 2010 sees the realisation of a life-long dream for Darren, to create and deliver a show garden at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show. 'Kebony – Naturally Norway' is the culmination of this dream and the journey towards its reality. www.darrensaines.com