

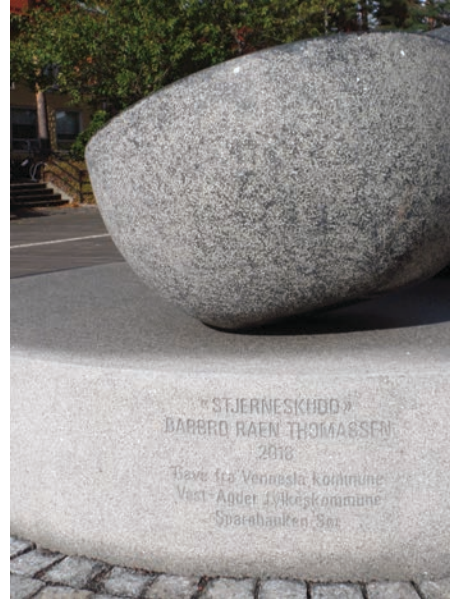
SHOOTING STAR

Two halves of an apple carved in black syenite. The winner of a closed competition, inaugurated in 2018. The base is in Iddefjord granite with a diameter of 250 cm. The total height of sculpture and base is approx.

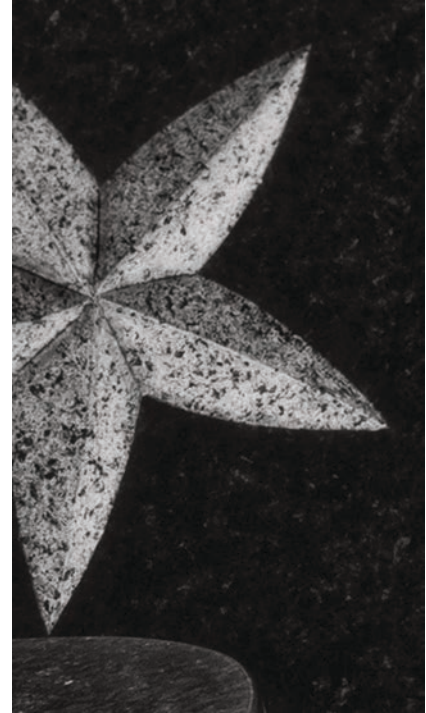
140 cm. Total weight about eight tons. As well as supporting the sculpture, the base serves as a seat and a meeting place. It is placed in the pedestrian street by the Vennesla council House.

When an apple is cut in two it is normal to do so lengthwise, from stem to blossom. Anything else is unthinkable for most people. Industry has played a prominent part in the life of Vennesla. Both the river and the railway have contributed to this. Many hoped and believed that this would continue. Yet new times shake up the established. We are forced to change our thinking, willingly or unwillingly. Are there new possibilities? What could they be? The apple has always been cut lengthwise. What if we cut it crosswise, over its midriff? Why then - a beautiful star will appear in each of its halves.

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