Yttergran, Yttergrans kyrka

Yttergrans kyrkväg, 746 34 Yttergran, Sweden



Builder J. Ekengren

Year 1776

Period/Style Baroque

Stops 6

Keyboards 1

Keyaction tracker/mechanical

Description

The organ in Yttergran Church, Sweden, built by Jonas Ekengren in 1776, is a remarkable 18th-century instrument located in Sweden's smallest church. Yttergran Church, situated in Bålsta near Stockholm, is a cozy church that can accommodate no more than 50 people. The church dates back to the late 12th or early 13th century and features ceiling paintings by the famous Swedish artist Albertus Pictor. The organ, created by Ekengren, is particularly notable for being one of the smallest organs in the country.

Jonas Ekengren, born in 1736, transitioned from being a mason and chair builder to an organ builder in Stockholm. His self-taught skills led to the construction of several small and medium-sized organs. The Yttergran organ is considered the most significant surviving example of his work, characterized by a façade with a flat field and two side towers, and a gentle, well-intonated sound. The organ has a single chromatic keyboard with 51 keys, no pedalboard, and tracker action. Despite its small size, the instrument boasts a rich history and was restored in 1968 by Mads Kjersgaard. It remains in good condition, though it requires some maintenance. The dry acoustics of the tiny church enhance the distinctiveness of this historical organ.

Stoplist/Disposition

Manual
Gedackt 8'
Principal 4'
Saltsinal 4'
Quinta 3'
Octava 2'
Mixtur II
Additionals:

Sources

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