





BYGGLEK

Create more space for play. Store your stories.

Launching October 2020, but the play never ends.





More play makes the home and the world a better place

We at IKEA belive that play is an essential part of everyday life! It fosters creativity, relieves stress and helps bring people together.

But we know adults and children often approach play very differently. Kids like to scatter things all over the floor, and for adults, play feels a bit disorderly. But this clutter is part of the play, and the child's inner story keeps going even when they aren't playing – their imagination is endless.

We want to remove these barriers and enable more play around the world.

Let's give kids the space to grow – and the room to just be kids

At IKEA, we have always had a special focus on children and small space living. The LEGO Group is well-known for inspiring and developing children around the world through play.

Together, we want to create more space in the home for play, and combine our passions and knowledge into one exciting collaboration.









BYGGLEK is much more than a box

The result is BYGGLEK, a range of fun storage solutions that create more room for play in the everyday.

Many of us have our own stories of playing with LEGO[®] bricks. BYGGLEK allows kids – and adults – to escape into their own stories. And when it's time to clean up, their creative worlds don't have to be taken apart. The boxes can be displayed, storing stories for later. The creativity continues, and it's easy to pick up the play again and again.

Play. Display. Replay.





- Build inside, outside, or around **BYGGLEK**
- Connect several boxes together
- Store LEGO bricks inside
- Display it always accessible while being in harmony with your home
- Continue the play anytime, anywhere

With **BYGGLEK** play never stops.





Meet the designers

When the LEGO Group started thinking about a fun, new storage solution, they reached out to IKEA and asked for a playdate.

This first collaborative workshop began when two designers met: Andreas Fredriksson, designer at IKEA, and Rasmus Buch Løgstrup, designer at the LEGO Group.

They immediately started talking about the role LEGO® bricks play in a home, how we store them, and how a floor filled with bricks represents different things depending on who you ask. Here's what they both had to say:

Andreas: "Playing with LEGO bricks is such a big part of your home, so it was a good starting point to look at the whole home. And we know life at home, and we know storage."

Rasmus: "LEGO bricks are not something you usually bring when visiting a friend or play with outside. It is so connected to the home. It is a home product. "

The team first looked into a storage solution, because it answers a parent's need, but it ended up as more than that. They wanted to

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Andreas Fredriksson Designer at IKEA

find a solution for the whole family. BYGGLEK is more than just a box filled with bricks. The oversized white storage device is also a launchpad for your imagination. **Andreas:** "I remember that the discussion started with how we store bricks at home. When I was a kid, LEGO building was very much play for the weekend. We stored all of the bricks in a big blanket. It was wonderful because a huge part of the play was finding the right pieces. It was play or put away. In the work with BYGGLEK, we talked about how you can play and pause without scattering your project all over the floor."

"It is a launchpad for imagination"

The team made prototypes out of cardboard, stacked them on top of each other, and decided that the box itself would be something to integrate in the play.

Rasmus: "A child psychologist we had on board said that if we can make a storage device that can be a



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part of the play, then we will succeed. I remember that IKEA suggested we mold studs on the top of the box. If you asked me then, I would have said it would be impossible. But BYGGLEK ended up being one of the biggest molded items in LEGO history." The box is made out of the same kind of high-quality LEGO bricks, a material that will last for a very long time.

Andreas: "You know, I still have my LEGO bricks from the 70s. You never throw them away. You keep them or pass them on to the next generation. It is important that BYGGLEK has the same quality and the same feel."

Speaking of the past. Did you play with LEGO bricks as kids?

Rasmus: "I played a lot with bricks and I loved building cities. I remember when we were away on a holiday, I couldn't wait to get home to build some of the things I had seen. Once I went to the Alps with my parents and all I wanted to do was get home to start building mountains and train tracks."

Andreas: "My friends and I loved playing with LEGO elements with each other, but what comes to mind now is how I was always a little jealous of my older brother, because I thought everything he built looked much nicer. It was a great inspiration."

What does your brother do today?

Andreas: "Ha-ha, he is also a designer!"

What do you consider play today?

Rasmus: "As a grown-up, just renovating a house can be like playing. But there is one thing that always gets me into a playful mode, and that is building a dam

in a small creek. Sometimes when I do this with my boys, I can totally lose track of time. It is like when you were a child and simply forgot about everything else."

Andreas: "For me it is building things out of wood or metal. I started as a cabinet maker and used to have a studio before joining IKEA. I always felt it was a shame to let go of what I built because I got so attached to the pieces. I have a workshop today, and still build quick prototypes out of wood to see the proportions. I guess that this is my play today."

How does play and organize fit into your own home today?

Rasmus: "When it is time for play, it should be okay to make a mess. Kids don't see it as mess, they see a creative environment. But it is also a human need to organize. Once in a while it is nice to clean

up and actually see the floor again, but at the same time, I think it is important that you don't do it every evening when the kids have gone to bed, because that is where the play develops. It is same thing with your own projects at home."

Andreas: "My kids are teenagers and their rooms are probably more organized than our living room and kitchen. But I recently looked at photos from when they were younger, and I can tell you it was chaos on the floor. I totally agree with Rasmus, that it is nice to be able to leave it and not immediately clean up. For them it is not a mess. For a child it might be a huge and cool project no one can destroy. If you remove that, you also might ruin the sense of play."

The experience of living with kids, and playing with LEGO bricks themselves as kids, has been

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important in the development of BYGGLEK. The two biggest BYGGLEK sets will be flat-packed and designed so that a five-year-old can put together the box themselves.

Rasmus: "The good thing is that you cannot put it together the wrong way, and you don't need any tools. You just klick it together. It is a quite unique solution."

Andreas: "... and the play starts there, when you assemble the boxes."



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Andreas Fredriksson -Designer at IKEA

Let's talk about what is inside the box. How did you decide what to include?

Rasmus: "At the LEGO Group we have many great models, and some of them are very complex. With BYGGLEK, we wanted to make something simple and intuitive you could play with from the moment you open the box, that also works for a five-year old, or mom and dad. There are no building instructions. The box itself can be a house, a swimming pool, a sports arena. There is no right or wrong. Then of course we added some play starters."

What is a play starter?

Rasmus: "The play starters help your imagination. We added some food items and minifigures to kickstart a play. We have a 'Life at Home' theme,

and the play starters are not far from your daily life."

Looking at BYGGLEK now, anything you are especially happy with?

Andreas: "The fact that you can build from the inside or outside. Including the box in the play lets you build something big really fast. Can't wait to see what people will come up with."

BYGGLEK will be in stores October 2020.

Andreas Fredriksson and Rasmus Buch Løgstrup.

Rasmus: "It fits within the LEGO System, just like all of our sets. When developing products, we want to ensure that kids and families can mix and match their LEGO sets as far as their imagination takes them."

Andreas Fredriksson works as in-house designer at IKEA of Sweden. His background is cabinet making. He has a design degree from Carl Malmsten School of Design in Stockholm and Denmark Design School in Copenhagen. In the collaboration he works from ideas to final product with the five dimensions of Democratic Design — form, function, quality, sustainability and affordability — to create a collection with a strong IKEA identity.

Rasmus Buch Løgstrup works as design manager at the LEGO Group in the Licensing and Extended Line department. His background is industrial design, and he has a degree from Aarhus School of Architecture. Rasmus role in the collaboration is to bring all the LEGO knowledge regarding play, children and families to the concept in order to create the best solution for kids, parents and LEGO bricks.





BYGGLEK box with lid

Product range

BYGGLEK is available in 4 different storage box sizes:

- 1. A larger size box with lid.
- 2. A medium-size box with lid.
- 3. A smaller set of boxes with lids (3 total included, 2 different sizes).

There is also a BYGGLEK LEGO brick set, exclusive to IKEA stores, also sold separately.



BYGGLEK box with lid, set of 3



€14.99. L35xW26, H12cm. White 103.542.08

BYGGLEK box with lid €12.99. L26xW18, H12cm. White 503.721.87

€9.99. Comprises: 1 box (W175xD127, H59mm) and 2 boxes (W127xD88, H59mm). White 703.721.86



BYGGLEK 201-piece LEGO brick set

€14.99 Comprises: 200 LEGO bricks in different colours, shapes and sizes plus 1 practical tool. Mixed colours 204.368.88

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Kids tell the stories behind their creations.

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