

## History of the Rais Stove

- ?? The Rais stove was designed by architect Bent Falk in 1970 to be used in a project of a high quality building project of semi detached houses
- ?? The Rais stove in sheet metal plate was the first stove in modern/contemporary design
- ?? The Rais stove was commercialised in 1973
- ?? The Rais product range included 4 models – Rais 1, 2, 3 and 4
- ?? The design was divided in 3 sections: the fire box, above a baking compartment and below a wood storage
- ?? The Rais stoves were produced at different manufacturers until the production in 1983 was moved to Ørskovs Maskinfabrik in Frederikshavn
- ?? The brand name Rais comes from an old viking name and the dialectic pronunciation of the Danish town Randers [*raies*]. The home town of the first manufacturer of the Rais stove

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| <b>1953</b> | Ørskovs Maskinfabrik a/s was founded   |
| <b>1960</b> | ØM produces the stove "Borgpejsen"   |
| <b>1983</b> | ØM starts production of Rais stoves  |
| <b>1995</b> | ØM is taken over by Pyros Holding AG, Switzerland – the owner of the Swiss brand Attika and the importer of Rais products  |
| <b>1996</b> | ØM starts production of Attika's product range   |
| <b>1997</b> | ØM changes its name to Rais a/s  |
| <b>2001</b> | Rais production has capacity to produce 15000 stoves per year in a high technology production including laser machinery, robots and other CNC-controlled machinery |
| <b>2005</b> | Rais takes over the distribution in USA, Canada and Norway   |