

French sugar beet wagons in 0e

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As you know, Peter Soonius and I are both also playing about in other scales. It was my plan to come to Valkenburg this year with my first layout in 0e, but it is a bit more work than I thought. This scale requires more detail, and time was too short.

During my holidays I usually take a box with styrene, building plans and some tools to keep me occupied during rainy days. No rain this summer, but luckily there was a shady place where I tinkered with some wagons in between reading books.

This resulted in 2 open wagons by Decauville and 2 more by Koppel. In addition, I have also built a closed wagon specially made for the SDS sugar factories. The work teams that loaded the beets found shelter in these cars. So it was a sort of mobile shack.

The challenge for me was to provide these with opening doors and an interior. Given the reactions to some French forums, I apparently succeeded. All this was with some help from David Blondin from the museum in Froissy where the car was apparently kept. He has sent some photos of the current layout that was the basis for my further fantasy.





