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North Jutland



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Coast waiting to be explored

Five unforgettable nature experiences

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– a journey from north to south

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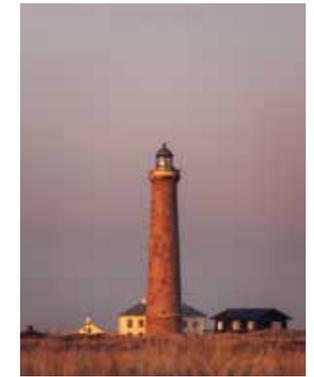
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Nature

Time slows down in nature – there's space for birdsong, detours and getting lost. And North Jutland has some of the most beautiful spots to do just that.

We've rounded up the best **outdoor adventures** from big highlights to hidden gems. Love **swimming** (in every season) or **camping**? You'll find plenty of inspiration ahead.

The top five must-see nature experiences

Some nature experiences are so extraordinary that they leave you with more than just memories of a walk in the countryside. Here are five unforgettable trips that belong on every bucket list.

Råbjerg Mile

Denmark's largest wandering dune.

Experience the raw power of nature up close.

Unmatched panoramic views from the dune's highest point – 40 meters above sea level.



Dronninglund Storskov

Idyllic pine and deciduous forests.

Six hilltops rising a total of 232 meters.

A raised bog that holds stories from a distant past.



Jyske Aas

Echoes of ice-age legends with ridges shaped by glaciers.

Untouched nature, home to rare flowers and plants, like quaker grass and wild orchids.

The chance to spend a unique night in an outdoor shelter.



Grenen

A unique natural phenomenon where the two seas, Skagerrak and Kattegat, meet.

A protected nature reserve, home to a wide variety of animals.

Grenensporet: 30 km of hiking trails, offering both short and slightly longer routes.



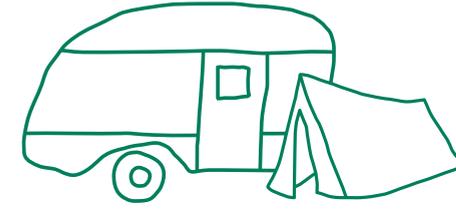
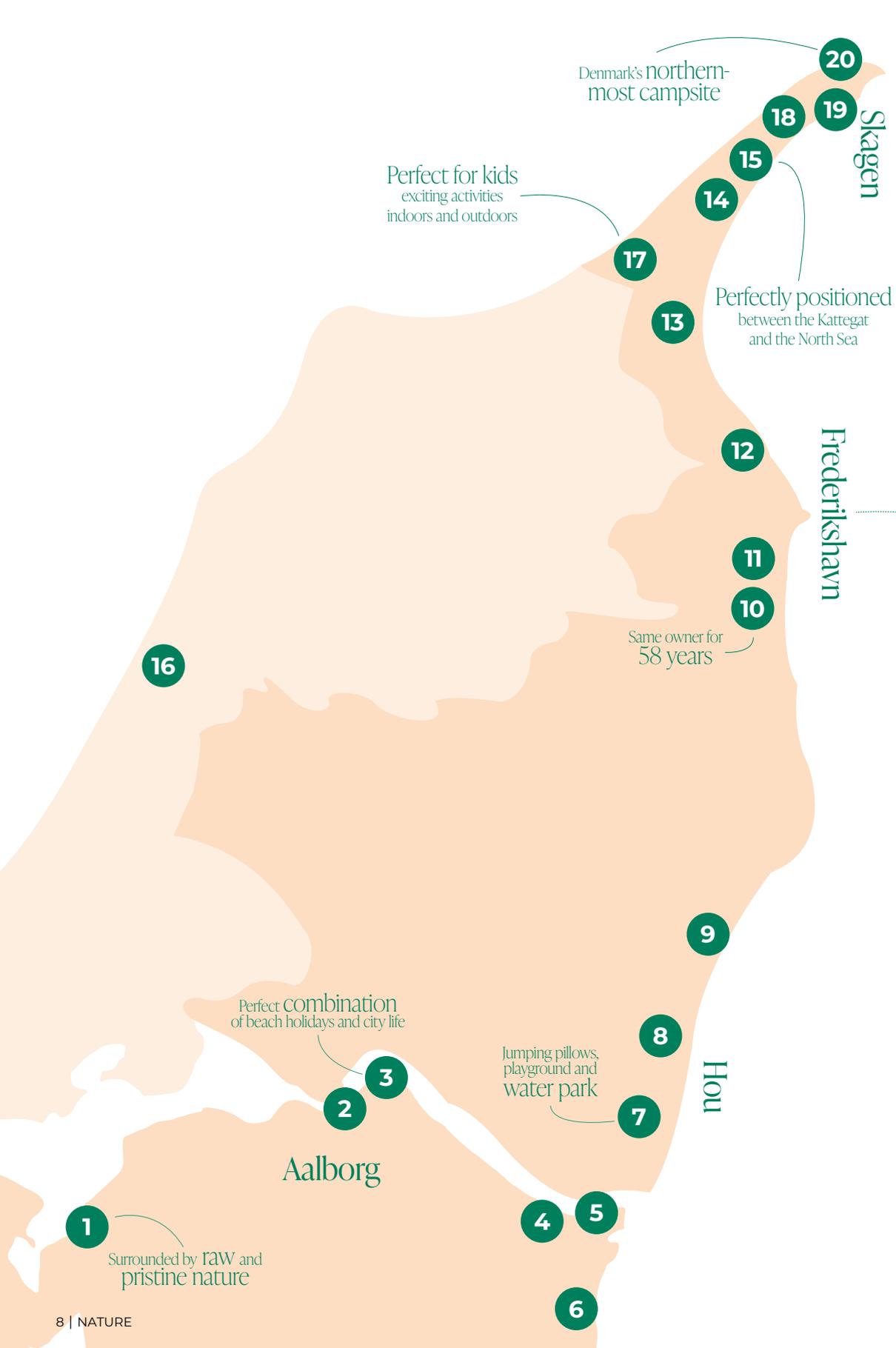
Lille Vildmose

Denmark's biggest nature conservation area.

Home to some of Europe's largest animals, including moose and eagles.

The Lille Vildmose Center with interactive exhibits about the bog's nature and wildlife.





Camping Life

Enjoying a warm morning coffee in a folding chair as the campsite slowly wakes up, children's laughter from the playground, daily adventures, and a gentle breeze making the guy ropes hum ... Here's our take on the best places for an unforgettable camping experience.



Kattegatkysten

6. Dokkedal Camping
Kystvej 118, Storvorde

7. Hals Strand Camping
Lagunen 8, Hals

8. Glamping Skovgaardsminde
Hou Engvej 13, Hals

9. Asaa Camping & Hytteferie
Vodbindervej 13, Asaa

10. Hedebo Strand Camping
Frederikshavnsvej 108, Sæby

11. Nibe Camping & Hytteferie
Løgstørvej 2, Nibe

2. Aalborg Camping & Hytteø
Skydebanevej 50, Aalborg

3. Aalborg Familie Camping Strandparken
Skydebanevej 20, Aalborg

4. Frydenstrand Camping
Frydenstrand 58 A, Storvorde

5. Egense Strand Camping
Kystvej 6, Egense

11. Svalereden Strand Camping
Frederikshavnsvej 112b, Frederikshavn

12. Nordstrand Camping
Apholmenvej 40, Frederikshavn

13. DCU Camping Ålbæk Strand
Jerupvej 19, Ålbæk

14. Skagen Sydstrand Camping
Ålbækvej 288, Ålbæk

15. First Camp Råbjerg Mile
Kandestedvej 55, Skagen

Vestkysten

16. Skovbrynet
Fårupvej 184, 9493 Saltum

17. Skiveren Camping
Niels Skiverens Vej 5-7, Ålbæk

Skagen

18. Skagen Camping
Flagbakkevej 55, Skagen

19. First Camp Grenen Strand
Fyrvej 16, Skagen

20. Poul Eeg Camping
Bøjlejejen 21, Skagen

Læsø

21. Læsø Camping & Hytteby
Agersigen 18a, Vesterø Havn

22. Østerby Camping
Campingpladsvej, Østerby Havn

EXPLORE THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Waves crashing, dune grass at your fingertips, birds soaring overhead – pure magic. Here are some of the best spots to soak it all in.

Vast open landscapes, endless sea, and a horizon that seems to stretch forever. A trip to the west coast at **Kandestederne** or **Skiveren** clears the mind and fuels your dreams. It's easy to picture the days when the wealthy flocked to seaside hotels for elegant vacations. Don't miss **HJORTHs Badehotel**, where nostalgia and charm still linger.

Situated between two seas, **Skagen Klitplantage** offers a glimpse into Denmark's natural history. Here, you'll find Den Tilsandede Kirke, Denmark's northernmost beech forest and the bird tower at Rødstens Klit – all surrounded by endless dunes and wide-open landscapes.

The protected dune heathland of **Hulsig Hede** is a haven for rare species. But don't just look down, look up! This is one of the best spots to witness the breathtaking bird migrations of spring and autumn, a sight that words can't quite capture. Here, you feel the rhythm of the seasons: buzzing bees and lush greenery in summer, then fierce winter winds with no place to hide. Nature here plays by its own rules.

Paddling down **Voer Å** is the perfect way to slow down and soak up nature. The river runs about 45 km, with 22 km open for canoeing from Skæve Bro in the west to Voerså in the east. Along the way, you'll find cozy rest spots with tables and benches – and even a few shelters if you feel like staying the night.

Scenic trails, rare wildlife and peaceful campsites – **Hammer Bakker** feels like a world of its own. Here, you'll experience some of Denmark's most stunning nature, far from the noise and rush of everyday life.

Swimming season

Calling all water lovers and Vikings – dive into the Kattegat coast! Enjoy long summer days in warm sea waters or brace yourself for an icy two-second plunge.

never ends



Skagen

Sønderstrand's low dunes, vibrant atmosphere and child-friendly beach make it a summer favorite. In winter, embrace the crisp sea breeze and experience the **Vinterbader Festival** in January.

Aalbæk

The shallow waters are perfect for little ones in summer. And all year round, you can enjoy swimming in **Aalbæk Havnebad**, complete with a sauna and refreshing showers.

Frederikshavn

Many people know **Palmestranden**, which exudes cool summer vibes. But if you prefer cooler temperatures, head to **Rønnerhavnen's** fine bathing jetty, making it easy to slip into the water.

Læsø

On the island, **Kongestranden** at **Vesterø** welcomes you with a white sandy beach and shallow waters stretching all the way to the third reef. If you're into winter bathing, you'll find some of the cleanest water in Denmark here – plus, you can purchase access to a warm sauna near the jetty at **Vesterø Harbor**.

Sæby

Nordstranden stretches far and invites you to enjoy the water and leisurely walks all summer long. For a touch of luxury, book a Sauna Retreat at **Hotel Aahøj's** sauna barrel, offering panoramic views over Sæby Å – where you can swim year-round.

Asaa

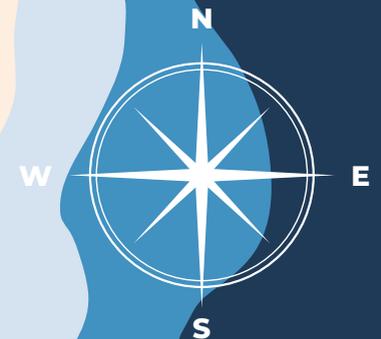
Stranden is a cozy little gem for a sunny family day. This winter, take the stairs at **Asaa Havn** and step straight into the icy winter sea.

Hou

Surrounded by stone dikes, **Hou Mole** offers calm waters for swimming year-round. In winter, warm up in the on-site sauna after a refreshing dip.

Aalborg

Spend sunny days at **Vestre Fjordpark** swimming, canoeing, kayaking, windsurfing, trying SUP, playing volleyball, or barbecuing. In the cold winter, take a plunge into the icy water. **Aalborg Heat** is open year-round, offering a bit of everything – saunas, hot tubs, and refreshing ocean dips.





Skagen

Denmark's northernmost town offers something truly special: a rich cultural filled with art and history, breathtaking nature just outside your window and a light unlike anywhere else.

On the next pages, you'll find **insider tips, a guide** to two days in the city and inspiration for a **cycling tour** through Skagen.

TWO DAYS IN Skagen

Day 1

MORNING. Start easy with sourdough bread and coffee at **Skagen Bageri & Café** to set a solid foundation. Then, explore what Skagen is best known for – the **Skagens Museum, Anchers Hus** and **Drachmanns Hus**. Don't miss a visit to the museum shop, it's highly recommended.

MIDDAY. Enjoy smørrebrød, sandwiches, homemade pastries and coffee at **Iscaféen**. Then head down to the water and walk along **Sønderstrand**. First, you'll pass **Vippefyret** and a little further north, **Det Grå Fyr** rises above the landscape. From here, visit **Skagen Odde Nature Center** or get on the **Sandormen to Grenen**, where Skagerrak and Kattegat meet.

EVENING. End a wonderful day by checking into your hotel, **Color Hotel Skagen**, with its spa, pool and sauna. Enjoy a meal at the hotel's own restaurant, **Restaurant Holger**, where you can savor Nordic cuisine with a touch of Skagen. Find the perfect wine to accompany your meal in the unique walk-in wine cabinet. With your luggage filled with experiences, the sea on both sides and art all around, you can now rest easy.



DRACHMANNS HUS



VIPPEFYRET

OTHER EATERIES

- + Dit Smørrebrød Skagen
- + Jakobs Café & Bar
- + Skagen Bryghus



RESTAURANT HOLGER



SKAGEN HAVN



SOLNEDGANGSPLADSEN

Day 2

MORNING. Explore the charming **Vesterby**, where you can follow in the footsteps of the Skagen Painters, enjoy a refreshing walk along the beach at **Damstederne** with views of the impressive Kongevilla, and dive into Skagen's fascinating history at **Kystmuseet Skagen**. Continue on foot through **Gammel Skagen**, where the yellow houses are scattered like pearls across the landscape, before heading to Skagen Harbour – Denmark's northernmost harbour – where the day's catch is unloaded and cruise ships dock.

MIDDAY. At lunchtime, visit the iconic red fish warehouses that house **Skagen Fiskerestaurant**, which has been serving fresh fish for over 50 years. With its permanent artists and changing exhibitions, **Galerie Wolfsen** invites you to linger before continuing to the pedestrian street and Sct. Laurentii Vej, where you can shop at **Bellevue Vintage**. Take a short walk of about 2.5 km to **Den Tilsandede Kirke**, then continue for 14 km to Råbjerg Mile, Denmark's largest wandering dune.

EVENING. Dine at **Restaurant Plesner**, where French and Nordic flavors meet classic seaside hotel charm, or enjoy a meal at **Brøndums Hotel**, where they still carve and flambé at the tables. Satisfy your hunger at **Tørst Cocktailbar** and watch the last rays of the sun dance on **Solnedgangspladsen** before heading to bed at the always fantastic **Ruths Hotel**.



BELLEVUE VINTAGE

SHOPPING

- + By Skagen – Boligtekstiler
- + Skagen Glaspusteri
- + Vin, Sprit & Deli Centralen
- + Pier 1 – Women's fashion
- + Benedikte Utzon
- + Oscar Skagen



COLOR HOTEL SKAGEN

4 HOTEL TIPS

- + Skagen Harbour Hotel
- + Hotel Plesner
- + Hjorts Badehotel
- + Color Hotel Skagen

Four seasons in Skagen

Skagen is vibrant all year round. Here's an overview of what defines the town, nature and atmosphere through the seasons – and why Skagen is worth visiting all year round.



Summer

Throughout the summer, the sun sits high in the sky, creating a very special light. Summer is also the time of year when Skagen's 7,000 residents are joined by cheerful visitors from around the world, giving the small fishing town an international feel and a lively holiday atmosphere.

If you want to experience the town like a true local, the best way to get around is by bike or on foot – everything is close by. Spend some time by the **harbour** and watch the many ships anchored offshore, or make your way out to **Grenen**. Skagen also has plenty of small oases where you can take a break. One such place is the restaurant and live music venue **Sømærket**, known for its excellent wines, local ingredients, bread baked in its own bakery, great music and a genuinely welcoming atmosphere.

Spring

When spring arrives, there's a sense of anticipation in the air in Skagen – the days are becoming brighter and longer, and you'll experience a relaxed atmosphere with plenty of time to enjoy the sunshine and beautiful surroundings.

In April and early May, migratory birds return from warmer climates, and on some days you can spot up to 100 different species. To witness the great migrations, the best views are from the **dunes**, from **Det Grå Fyr** or **Flagbakken** – where you're sure to encounter birdwatchers enjoying their hobby and happily sharing their knowledge.

Make the most of your spring visit by stopping by one of the town's many restaurants or cafés with outdoor seating – what could be better than a meal outside? For example, visit **Iscafeen in Østerby**, a small and cosy spot serving delicious open-faced sandwiches. If the weather calls for indoor activities, you'll find galleries and arts and crafts studios throughout the town – most of them are open all year round.



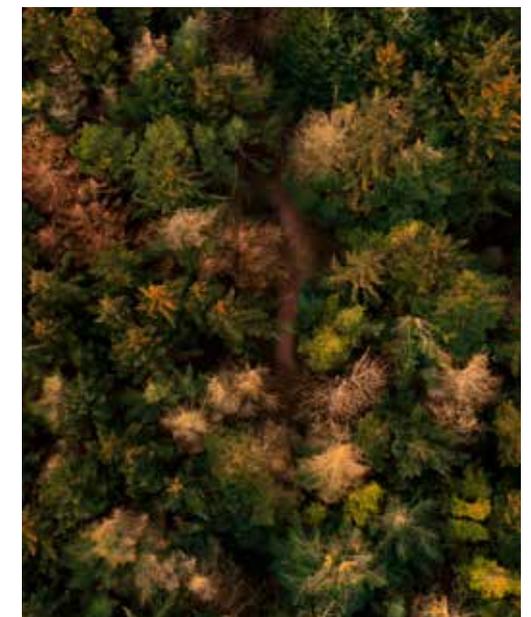
FREDERIK SØRENSEN, LARS ROED, PETER JØRGENSEN, JØRNE SKOVE



Winter

In winter, a special sense of calm settles over the town, and you'll experience a slightly more raw, local side of Skagen – the perfect retreat from an otherwise busy everyday life. In December, a cosy Christmas atmosphere fills the town, as small cafés invite you inside for a sweet treat.

If you're looking to experience green nature even in winter, you'll find **Skagen Klitplantage** to the east and west of town – an unspoilt conifer forest. A visit to **Flagbakken** offers 360-degree views, with vistas over the water, Skagen town and towards Gammel Skagen. Another beautiful view awaits in the area around **Klitgaarden**, the former royal villa that now serves as a retreat. The **Sand-Covered Church**, usually a favourite with visitors, is likely to be almost entirely yours at this time of year – as is the surrounding natural landscape.



Autumn

When autumn sets in, Skagen takes on a calmer pace, and you'll experience a more relaxed atmosphere. In early autumn, nature brings out its purple brush, painting the heathlands in broad strokes of flowering heather – a sight you can't miss when approaching the town from the south.

Nature also reveals itself along the coast. In September, you can experience 'Blue September', and more specifically the 'blue hour' – the twilight moment when the light is remarkably beautiful. The phenomenon is best enjoyed along the **Grenensporet trail**, which offers four different routes. Along the way, information boards provide insight into Grenen's history, nature and wildlife.

All year round

EXPLORE
Bamsemuseet
Kystmuseet Skagen
Skagens Kunstmuseer

FOOD
Jakobs Café & Bar
Restaurant Pakhuset
Restaurant Holger

SLEEP
Color Hotel Skagen
Foldens Hotel
Skagen Harbour Hotel

CYCLING IN AND

The area around Skagen is perfect for cycling – flat as a pancake, with only the west wind to keep you company. We asked local guide Claus Bruun for his top route tips and the best places to take a break.



1. Start at the top

At **Grenen**, you can dip your feet in both the Skagerrak and Kattegat at the same time – and maybe even spot a seal. Explore the history at the bunker museum, visit Holger Drachmann's grave, and climb Det Grå Fyr from 1858 for a breathtaking view of Grenen and the meeting seas.

3. Roll into town

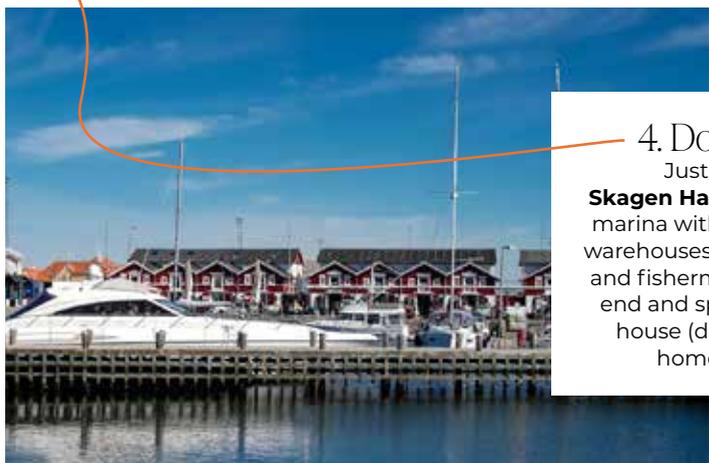
Cycle quietly through the Østerby district, where narrow streets, charming yellow houses and a relaxed atmosphere await. Park near **Skagens Museum** and take a stroll through the neighborhood. Here, you'll find Anna and Michael Ancher's House, a rare teddy bear museum, and a monument to the 1862 sea rescue.

2. Enjoy the view

Hop back on your bike for the 3 km ride toward Skagen. On the way, pass Det Hvide Fyr and **Vippefyret**. Park and soak in the stunning view over Sønderstrand (a great swimming spot) and Skagen Harbor.

4. Down to the harbor

Just minutes from town, **Skagen Harbor** awaits. Stop by the old marina with Thorvald Bindsbøll's fish warehouses the statue of a lifeboatman and fisherman. Keep going to the very end and spot the old harbormaster's house (designed by Plesner), now home to the tourist office.



AROUND SKAGEN

5. Visit Skurbyen

Less than 1 km from Vestre Strandvej, at the western end of the harbor, you'll find the old fishing sheds once used by local fishermen. Today, they belong to bon vivants who swim at the small pebble beach or enjoy a beer at sunset. From here, drive through Vesterby to **Kystmuseet Skagen**, where you can feel the history in the old fishermen's houses and in the exhibitions.



6. A trip to a church

From Kystmuseet, it's a quick 10-minute ride to **Den Tilsandede Kirke**, following the same path locals would have taken to church before 1775. In summer, climb the tower for an incredible view.



7. On the trail to Højen

The ride from the church to Højen (also known as Gammel Skagen) is about 3 km long – just be careful when crossing the main road into Skagen. Once you're over, enjoy the scenic route lined with classic yellow houses and red roofs. Stop at the **sunset spot** before heading to Båken, a former sea mark now a protected landmark.

8. Forest, trails & the way home

From Højen, cycle back past Højengran and enter **Skagen Klitplantage** via a forest road. Enjoy the ride beneath the trees until you reach Naturstyrelsen's property, then cross the main road. On the other side, you'll find Hulsigstien, which will take you back north to Skagen in under 20 minutes.

RENT YOUR BIKE HERE

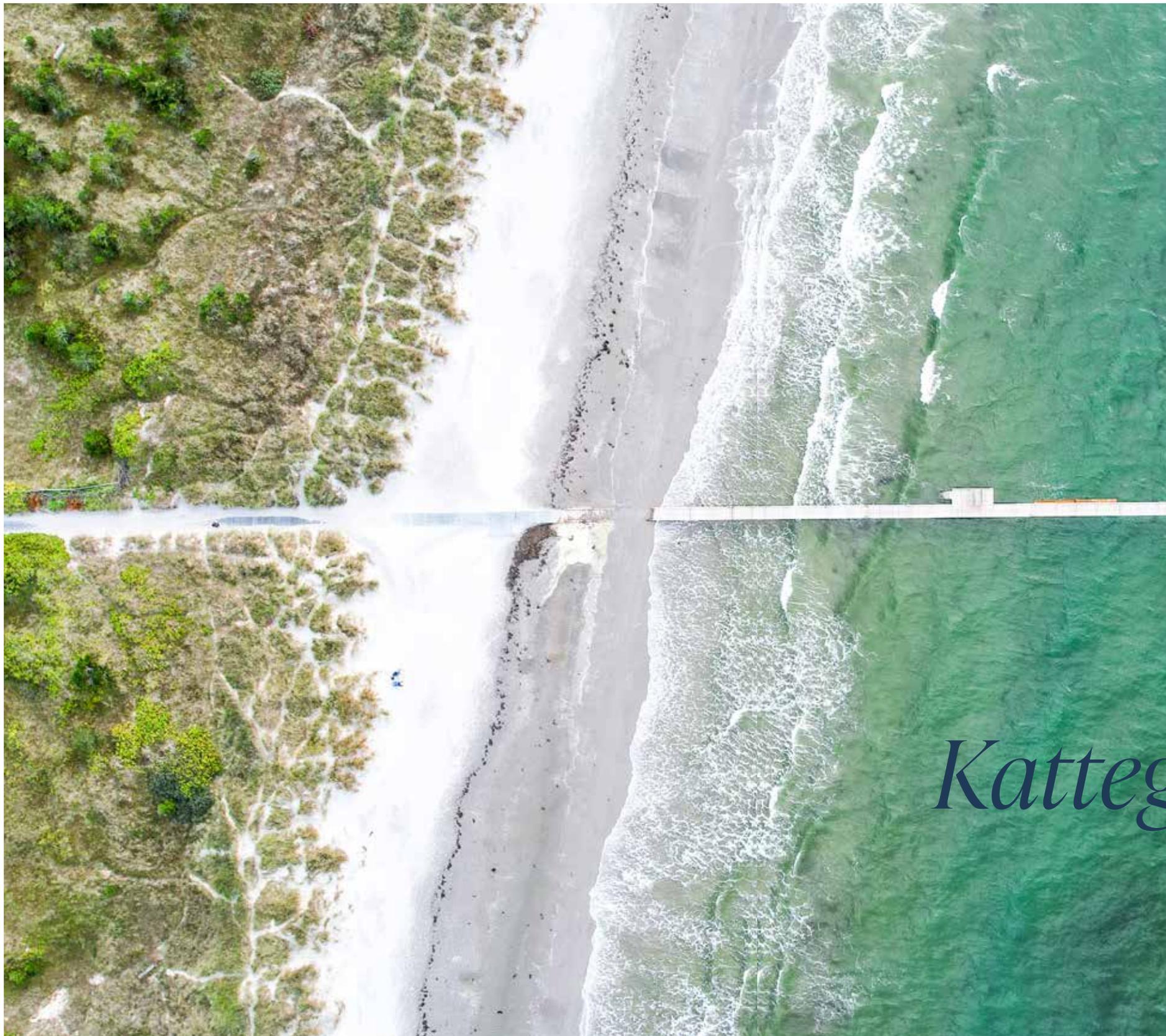
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- + Hjorts Badehotel
- + Isbunkeren
- + Skiveren Camping

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You can bring your bike on the train to , Bunken, or Ålbæk – or cycle there and take the train back to Skagen. Plan your trip at nordjyllandstrafikselskab.dk.



Kattegat Coast

Along this gentle coastline with shallow waters and calm waves, you'll find cozy **fishing villages**, charming **harbor towns**, historic **landmarks** and the maritime city of **Frederikshavn**.

No matter what you're into, adventure awaits. Dive into our top tips and must-see experiences!



LOCAL PICKS
When visitors ask Marianne Bredevang, director of Quality Hotel™ The Reef, for recommendations, she shares these six must-visit spots:

- + Søndergaard F (interior design & lifestyle boutique)
- + Bangsbo Botaniske Have (picturesque park by Bangsbo Manor)
- + Mondo (women's fashion)
- + Poetry Park (poetry & quotes in the urban space)
- + Gourmetbutikken (beer, wine, spirits and more)
- + Krudttårnet (culture and cannons)

FREDERIKSHAVN *Getaway*

Seagulls on the docks, cozy eateries, waterfront stays, swaying palms, naval history and nature's poetry – Frederikshavn has everything for a memorable escape. Here's your guide to making the most of this maritime gem.



Embark on an adventure

Big experiences line up at **Arena Nord**, where you can encounter top-tier sports, comedy, theater, dance, talks and live concerts. Over at **Maskinhallen**, the music never stops – swing by for a show and grab a drink at the buzzing bar and café. If the sun's out, hit **Palmestranden** for a swim and a round of beach volleyball. Got kids in tow? Let them loose on **Junglestien**, where balance challenges, slides and treasure hunts keep the fun going. Wrap up the day with an ice cream in the shade of the palm trees.

Savor the streets

If you find yourself in Frederikshavn at lunchtime, make your way to **Smørgåsen** on Danmarksgade for classic Danish smørrebrød. Just down the street, **Restaurant Sæson** keeps things fresh with a constantly changing menu. Over on Søndergade, the award-winning **Café 2takt** is well worth a visit, as is the charming **Fiskebaren Café & Spisehus**, where the seafood comes straight from the local fishmonger.

Sleep well

If you're looking for comfy beds and good vibes, **Quality Hotel™ The Reef** is the perfect spot. The whole family can make a splash in the Caribbean water park and when it's time to relax, you've got plenty of room options to choose from: Go big with a spacious family room or treat yourself to a Master Suite with a private spa and sauna. Want to stay close to the harbor, shopping streets, Læsø ferry and highway? **Hotel Jutlandia** has you covered. Other great stays include **Hotel Herman Bang**, **Hotel Frederikshavn**, **Park Hotel** and **Hotel Lisboa**.



EXPLORE MORE
Frederikshavn is the perfect gateway to North Jutland. Catch a ferry to Læsø or hop on a train to Aalborg or Skagen – your adventure starts here.

BANGSBO

Stunning scenery & wartime history



ONE TICKET FOR FOUR MUSEUMS

Get the full experience with a weekly ticket valid for the coastal museums in Skagen, Sæby, Bangsbo Fort and Bangsbo. More at kystmuseet.dk.



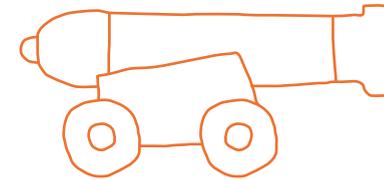
Pikkerbakken

360-DEGREE VIEW

For the best view of Frederikshavn's city, sea and harbor, head to Pikkerbakken's viewing platform. From here, you can see both Sæby and Skagen – and on a clear day even all the way to Læsø. Park at Møllehuset and take a scenic walk through the forest to the platform.

A ROYAL STONE

Stop by the Royal Stone, where Frederik VIII, Frederik IX, and Frederik X have carved their names into history.



Bangsbo Fort Bunkermuseum

DEEP INTO THE BUNKER

At Bangsbo Fort Bunker Museum, you step straight into Danish history. Here, you can see firsthand how life was lived and experience history up close – some bunkers look as if they were only just abandoned.

A GOOD STORY FOR ALL AGES

Everything is set for a great experience, with fun activities, a cinema and a children's bunker for the little ones. Join a guided tour or explore the area at your own pace.



Kystmuseet Bangsbo

NATURE AND FUN

Discover stories of war, resistance and maritime history. At the Occupation Exhibition, learn about stories from the war and the resistance movement. The Maritime Exhibition showcases the well-preserved Ellingå ship from 1163.

Take a break in the Botanical Garden or visit the Deer Park, home to a stunning nature playground.

IN HERMAN BANG'S FOOTSTEPS

In the main building, The White Courtyard, you step into a true cultural oasis.

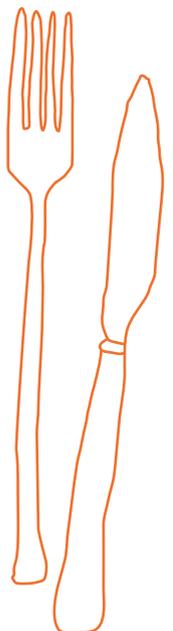
Between 1891 and 1909, this was a gathering place for great painters and writers.

Known as the Bangsbok Circle, they included Herman Bang, Gustav Wied, Betty Nansen and Agnes Henningsen.

Møllehuset

EAT WELL

With the gentle sound of a trickling river in the background, enjoy a meal at Restaurant Møllehuset, where both gourmets and child-ren are catered for – everything is made from scratch. Read more at mollehuset.dk



Around Sæby

Sæby is alive with atmosphere and best explored on foot. Wander its charming cobbled streets to discover family-friendly beaches, international sculptures, and local craftsmanship. Here's our suggested walk to take in the town's many highlights.



Start at the harbor

Begin your journey at **Sæby Harbor**, where the calls of seagulls set the scene. Here, you'll spot the striking **'Lady from the Sea'** sculpture, towering nearly seven meters high. Inspired by Henrik Ibsen's play – written right here in Sæby – it's a true local landmark. Don't miss **'A Sea of Life'**, a stunning glass installation by Leni Bille, where ten colorful spheres catch the light, reflecting the ever-changing sea and sky.



A TOWN WITHIN THE TOWN

Head to Mini-byen Sæby on Solsbækvej, near the water, where 160 meticulously crafted 1:10 scale houses bring Sæby's history to life in stunning detail.

Art & shopping stroll

Stroll down **Algade** in the old town, then meander through the cozy shopping streets of **Torvet**, **Vestergade** and **Grønnegade**. If you're looking for a keepsake from Sæby, this is the perfect spot to find something beautiful – for yourself or someone you love.



Step into history

The **Coastal Museum Sæby** is a story in itself, with every brick holding a piece of the past.

Sure, you could just admire it from the outside, but why miss out? Step inside the charming timber-framed house to explore Sæby's history, visit the old **country store** and discover rotating exhibits – plus hands-on fun for kids!

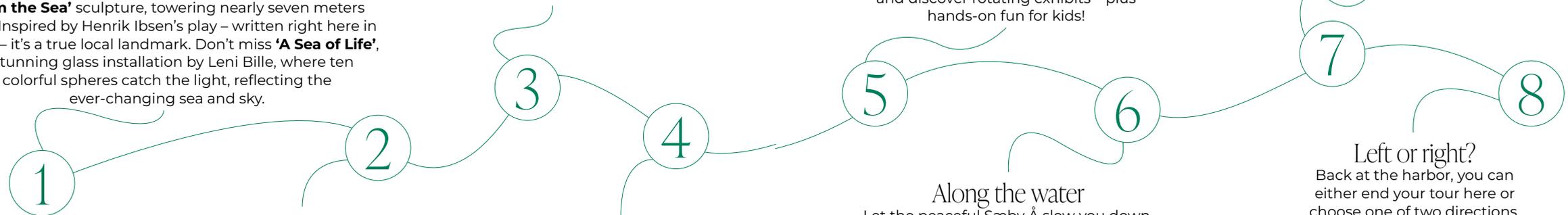


STAY THE NIGHT

- + Hotel Aahøj
- + Hotel Viking
- + Svalereden Strand Camping
- + Hedebo Strand Camping

Dinner with a view

Frøken Madsens Spisehus in charming Pindborggade offers a cozy spot by the paneled windows, where you can enjoy a view of the river. With its nostalgic atmosphere and a menu full of Sæby's finest dishes, this spot is a true local gem.



NATURE AT SÆBYGAARD

Surrounded by endless beech forests, Sæbygaard is THE get-away. Explore the castle – then cycle/wander along scenic trails through breathtaking woodland.

On to the church

Step into **Sæby Church**, tilt your head back, and marvel at the stunning frescoes from the early 1500s. Look closely at the pews – you'll spot **'medieval graffiti'** carved by mischievous Latin school students between the 1500s and 1800s.



Time for a break

Take a moment to rest your legs. Hungry? Swing by the cozy **Café Mathilde** for a quick snack or a hearty homemade burger. Craving something sweet? Stop at the **Snedkergaarden Iscafé** in a charming courtyard and indulge in gourmet ice cream from **Kastberg** – don't miss their homemade topping ... so, so good!

Along the water

Let the peaceful Sæby Å slow you down. Stroll along the **Fiskerstien** trail from east to west, where you'll find the picturesque timberframed **Sæby Watermill**. Built in the 1600s, it was later rebuilt in 1710 after drifting sand had destroyed it. Fancy a bit of luck? Stop at the bridge near the mill – you might just see fish leaping up the ladder!



Left or right?

Back at the harbor, you can either end your tour here or choose one of two directions.

HEAD LEFT to cross the river and follow Denmark's longest beach promenade. Pick up an ice cream from the kiosk and relax by the water's edge. If you feel like walking further: the beach stretches 3.5 kilometers all the way to **Hedebo Strand Camping**.

TURN RIGHT, and in just a few steps you'll reach **Jacob's Fish Restaurant**, where you can indulge in a lavish seafood buffet while enjoying the waterfront view.

Cozy seaside towns

Ålbæk

WHERE THE JUTLAND COAST EMBRACES YOU

Surrounded by stunning nature and home to a charming fishing and marina harbor, Ålbæk sits on Skagen Odde, right between Skagen and Frederikshavn. Here, you'll find the same magical light that makes Skagen famous, along with the wild beauty of northeast Vendsyssel. Originally a fishing village, Ålbæk still oozes coastal charm, with fishing boats and yachts bobbing side by side. Stroll the harbor, soak in the amazing views of the Jutland coast, and grab the freshest catch of the day straight from the dock.

+ EXPLORE ÅLBÆK

- + Ålbæk Harbor
- + Ålbæk Seaside Bath
- + Aalbæk Badehotel
- + Christmas Market
- + Simons Raaling
- + Farm Fun
- + Det Bette Ølhus
- + Skaldyrshuset.dk



Strandby

WHERE HISTORY MEETS THE SEA

Step into a time capsule in Strandby's old town, dating back to the 1700s, where history meets seaside charm. Walk the 7 km Strandby Trail, spot the Hirsholmene islands on the horizon, or cast a line for dab, plaice and garfish. Don't miss the daily fish auction, where things often take an unexpected turn, or join locals at Fun at Strandby Harbor for fresh seafood, live music and family-friendly vibes.

+ EXPLORE STRANDBY

- + Strandby Church
- + Fun at Strandby Harbor: summer-long event
- + Strandby Harbor
- + Strandby North Beach near town
- + SUP Festival
- + Snilles Fish & Food House
- + Knud Thomsen Fish Market
- + The Blue Café
- + Dot Ceramics

Asaa

WHERE HARBOR LIFE THRIVES

In Asaa, the harbor is the town's heartbeat. Charming red fishing huts add to the village vibe, while the Mod hjemv sculpture stands proudly on the waterfront. Summer brings local art exhibitions, a buzzing flea market, SUP adventures on the water, and scenic trails for hikers and cyclists of all ages.

+ EXPLORE ASAA

- + Café Hawblik
- + Madhåndværk
- + Asaa Harbor Museum
- + Annual Asaa Horse Race
- + Events at Jernstøberiet



Hou

COZY VIBES & HOLIDAY CHARM

Idyllic Hou is a perfect place: in the marina, boats gently sway in the breeze, while children's laughter blends with the calls of seagulls at the nature playground. Take a leisurely stroll, savor the moment, and don't forget to visit the bustling flea market!



EXPLORE HOU

- + Hou Marina
- + Fantastic Hou Days
- + Nature Playground
- + North Sea Trail
- + Restaurant Raalingen



Hals

WHERE THE LIMFJORD MEETS THE SEA

Stroll through the town's winding streets, soak up the maritime atmosphere, and take a refreshing dip just a few kilometers from the center. Hals is a lively mix of local fishermen, leisure sailors, holidaymakers and outdoor enthusiasts, offering the perfect blend of fun and relaxation. Kids can let off steam at the harbor playground while the Hals-Egense ferry whisks you to the charming village of Egense in no time. The main street is a haven for artisan crafts and vintage treasures, and the weekly market adds to the town's charm. If you fancy a trip into nature, you'll find pine forests, oak groves and sandy beaches just around the corner, perfect for scenic walks and new adventures.



EXPLORE HALS

- + Restaurant Havkatten
- + Hos Pia
- + Hals Museum
- + SUP at Lodsens Datter
- + Golf at Hals Course
- + Hals Moor
- + Fishing at the pier
- + Skansefesten in Hals



Nibe

WHERE HISTORY MEETS HYGGE

The Fjord Woman sculpture by artist Thorvald Odgaard stands as a proud symbol of Nibe. This historic town by the Limfjord is full of charm – from its quaint houses and winding cobblestone streets to its vibrant harbor scene. With roots dating back to the 14th century, Nibe offers the best of both worlds: nature escapes and festivities, including the beloved Nibe Festival, fondly known as Den Lille Fede.



EXPLORE NIBE

- + Nibe Marina
- + Nibe Church
- + Guf & Kugler
- + Halkær Mill Nature Center
- + Sebber Abbey Golf Club
- + Sebber Abbey
- + Sebbesund Viking Village



14 km

COASTAL TRAIL

A nature journey between Sæby and Frederikshavn: the best way to experience the Kattegat coast is on foot or by bike. The North Sea Trail takes you through fields and forests, and along coastal paths, passing landmarks along the way. With birdsong in the air, waves crashing on the shore and endless skies above, the views are breathtaking. Along the 14 km route, you'll discover everything from old cannons to fishing villages.



STAYING ALONG THE KATTEGAT COAST

- + Feriehusudlejning Sol & Strand

Jump in

Strandby Bratten Strand

North of Strandby, Bratten Beach boasts soft white sand, a long bathing jetty and plenty of space for everyone. Find a sunny, sheltered spot, and soak it all in.

Skagen Sønderstrand

Gently sloping paths through low dunes – once a favorite subject of the Skagen painters – make this beach wheelchair- and stroller-friendly. Need a break? Head up to the iconic Vippefyret.

Hals Bisnap Beach

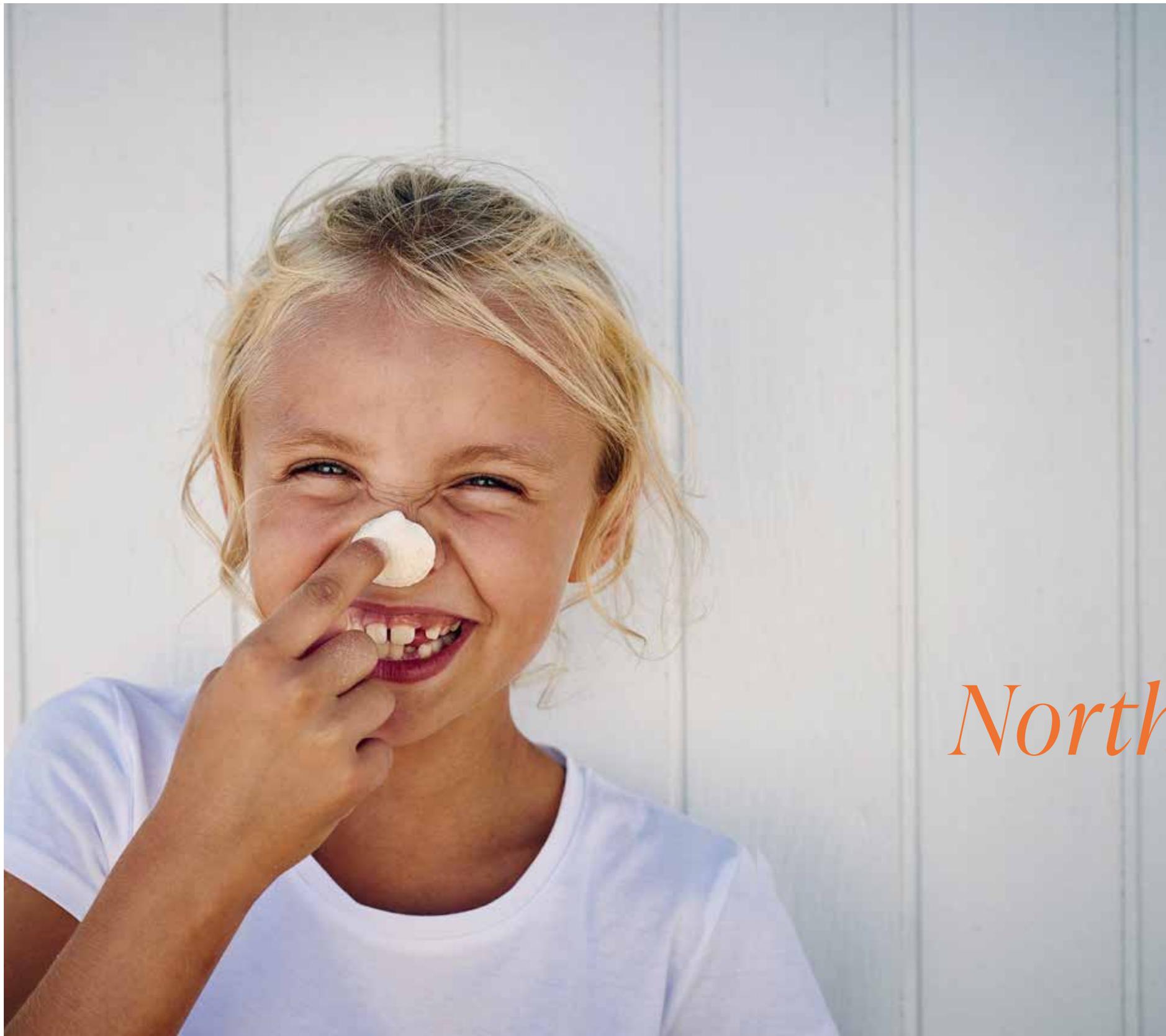
A long stretch of white sand where shifting tides create small lagoons and sandbanks – perfect for a private dip. One of the best family beaches around.

Frederikshavn Palmestranden

Denmark's only beach with palm trees and a tropical vibe. Play beach volleyball, grab an ice cream, or relax in a sun lounger.

Lyngså Lyngså Beach

More adventure, less sunbathing? Hunt for amber, chase crabs, or cast a line for garfish and turbot – this beach is made for exploring.



North Jutland for kids

Laughter, wonder and adventures for little explorers. In North Jutland, fun, play and unforgettable experiences are always close by.

Here, you'll find guides to **water adventures, art, wildlife, attractions** and **history**.

The 3 biggest



This is pretty wild!

AALBORG ZOO

An ostrich hiding its head in the bushes, a leaping red panda and a stunning emerald monitor. The scent of delicious food from the stalls and the city's best playground. A visit to Aalborg Zoo is always a great experience! Every day, zookeepers share fascinating facts and fun stories, giving you a deeper insight into animals from all over the world. Aalborg Zoo is open all year round and offers hours of entertainment for all ages. It's also dedicated to conservation, raising awareness about the living conditions of wild animals. In fact, this is the only zoo in Denmark where you can see beautiful orangutans.

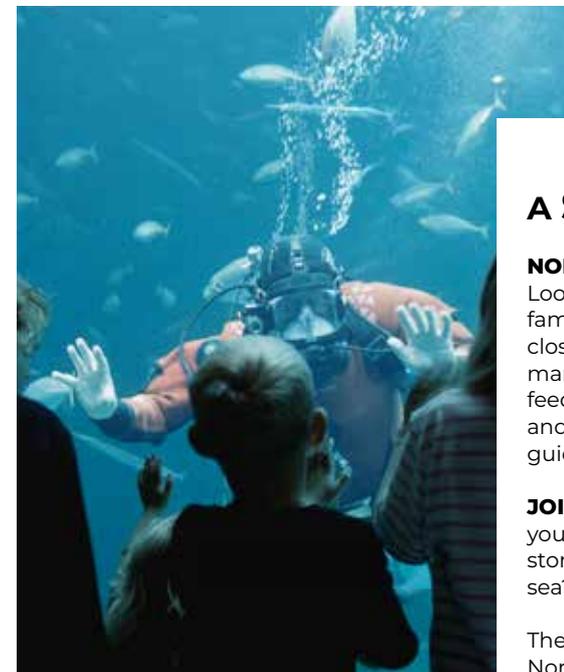
DON'T MISS: New panda enclosure, impressive lion enclosure 2026, Halloween and Christmas at the Zoo.

Denmark's biggest roller coaster

FÅRUP SOMMERLAND

Fårup Sommerland, voted Denmark's Best Amusement Park, is all about big smiles, butterflies in your stomach and quality time together. Bring the whole family and enjoy access to more than 60 attractions – from Denmark's fastest, tallest and biggest roller coaster to the more relaxed Children's Funfair. Let loose at Aquaparken, Denmark's largest water park, and extend the experience over several days with an overnight stay at Hotel Fårup, in treetop cabins or at the Skovbrynet campsite.

DON'T MISS: Denmark's biggest, fastest and tallest roller coaster, Fønix, as well as this year's new family attraction, Vingesus. Once admission is paid, all rides and attractions are included.



A Sea of adventure and discovery

NORDSØEN OCEANARIUM

Look forward to a day full of experiences for the whole family at Northern Europe's largest aquarium. Get up close to the sea and meet more than 9,000 fish and marine animals, both indoors and outdoors. Watch divers feed shoals of fish and sharks, see seals being trained, and learn more about animals and nature from our guides, with behind-the-scenes access in Backstage.

JOIN FUN ACTIVITIES: Are you as fast as a herring? Can you keep your footing on the ship's deck in a raging storm? And are you ready to learn even more about the sea?

There's always something exciting happening at Nordsøen – come and join us!

Lindholm Høje

Step back into the world of the Vikings in Nørresundby. The burial ground at Lindholm Høje is one of Denmark's most impressive ancient monuments. Here, children can learn more about this fascinating era and explore two engaging exhibitions – one about Viking life at Lindholm Høje and another about prehistoric times in the Limfjord region.

Storhaven

Pet a donkey and spot a peacock. Storhaven on Læsø is one of the cosiest places to spend a few hours. Here, you can enjoy locally made ice cream, shop for souvenirs in the store, savour a cup of coffee and meet all the lovely animals – including a donkey, kittens, a peacock and goats.



Palmestranden

Enjoy a taste of the South in Frederikshavn. For slightly older children, we recommend Palmestranden – Denmark's only palm beach. With its sunny, holiday-style atmosphere, you can play beach volleyball, enjoy an ice cream and relax in one of the cosy spots. And of course, you can always take a dip in the sea.

Nymarksminde Farmpark

Experiences for everyone in Vodskov. Enjoy activities, cosy moments and plenty of fun. At Nymarksminde Farmpark, you can pet cows, pigs and goats, burn off energy on the playground, go on a deer safari, play football golf and enjoy scenic walks. It's the perfect place for a full day out.

Family beach guide



Fun at kids level

Skagen Bamsemuseum

Crazy about teddy bears in Skagen. Denmark's fluffiest museum – the Skagen Teddy Bear Museum – is always buzzing with activity. Big and small teddy bears get up to all sorts of fun, from teddy bear circus acts to teddy bear art. And if you want to go all in, you can book an overnight stay at the Teddy Bear Hotel.



Playground guide



F. RITTER, KJETIL LØITE, SKAGEN BAMSEMUSEUM

Lille Vildmosecentret

Water fun in Storvorde. Visit 'The Power of Water' at Lille Vildmosecentret, where you'll learn more about water, and stop by the playground packed with hands-on water fun for younger children. Get happily lost on the many boardwalks, and go in search of eagles, cranes, wild boar, moose and bison.



Children's Carnival in Aalborg

Parade and atmosphere in the enchanted park, featuring dance and more.
16 May 2026



Farm Fun

Play, animals and nature in Ålbæk. Visit a wonderful place filled with friendly animals that are always happy to say hello, and a fantastic play area. At Farm Fun, you'll find a zip line, suspension bridge and mooncars – as well as goats, cats, horses and raccoons.





Læsø

Ahhh ... there's nowhere like Læsø. This little island is a sanctuary of peace, fresh air and raw nature, home to Denmark's only seaweed-thatched roofs and locally crafted sea salt that's simply unmatched.

Got a **few days to explore**? We've rounded up the best things to see, do and taste from the island's **incredible pantry**.

Læsø

Day 1

MORNING. Kick off your day with a journey through Læsø's history, exploring its centuries-old **seaweed houses**. For the best experience, follow the **Gl. Østerby route (9 km)** or the **Bangsbo route (8.5 km)**. Most seaweed houses are privately owned, but if you're curious to step inside one, **Museumsgården** and **Hedvig's Hus** welcome visitors to see this unique tradition up close.

MIDDAY. Time to refuel! At **Huset Palsgaard**, you'll find hearty sandwiches, premium cuts of Læsø Galloway beef and craft beer from Læsø Bryggeri – all served with a stunning sea view. Then, unwind on **Danzigmand** beach, probably the windiest of the Læsø beaches, but wonderfully cool on really hot days.

EVENING. If you're visiting between May and August, a stay at **Hotel Havnebakken** is a must. This historic seaside resort has welcomed guests for over 100 years. Enjoy a cozy dinner, have a nightcap and soak up the island's peaceful atmosphere before calling it a night.



DANZIGMAND STRAND



TANGTAGE

TANGHUS, GAMMEL ØSTERBY

MORE LÆSØ

✦ Hop on a bike and explore 150 km of cycle-friendly roads or follow scenic trails through forests, dunes and fields.

✦ With its calm, shallow waters, Læsø is made for stand-up paddleboarding (SUP). The best spots? Østerby, Vesterø and Stokken.

✦ Discover Læsø's beauty on horseback or by carriage – an unforgettable way to explore the place.

✦ Jump aboard the Rønnerbus safari for a one-of-a-kind ride through Læsø's stunning landscapes.

SHOPPING

- + Læsø Smykker
- + MB Læsø
- + Bobbyline
- + Læsøshoppen
- + Læsø Uldstue



LÆSØ SALTSYDERI

Day 2

MORNING. If you stayed at **Hotel Strandgården**, there's no better way to start the day than a morning dip – Læsø's best beach is just 100 meters away.

MIDDAY. At **Læsø Saltsyderi**, step into a real salt hut and discover the story behind the world-famous Læsø Salt – it doesn't get more authentic than this. Try your hand at salt-boiling, then take a **walk across Rønnerne** and **keep an eye out for sea eagles**.

AFTEN. During weeks 27–32, **Krogbækgaard's Farm Café** lays out a buffet packed with the island's best local flavors. Not here during those weeks? **Hummerens Hus** is just as good.



THE LÆSØ FERRY

Margrete and Ane Læsø run daily between Frederikshavn and Læsø. The trip takes 90 minutes, and kids under 18 ride for free. Check the schedule and book easily at laesoe-line.dk.

round tour

The taste of Læsø

CATCH YOUR OWN FISH

Læsø is a dream for anglers, with endless opportunities along its long coastline. Cast your line at Danzigmand, Horneks Odde, Banstenen or Hvidebakker, or try your luck off the piers at Vesterø and Østerby Harbors. Feeling adventurous? Give spearfishing a go. The waters around Læsø are as stunning as they are full of life – and don't be surprised if a seal pops up to say hello.

TOP-QUALITY BEEF

Good meat starts with good farming – and Læsø has plenty of both. At Læsø Slagteren, you'll find premium cuts from Limousin and Galloway cattle, raised on lush coastal meadows. Local meats and sausages are also available at Huset Palsgaard and in supermarkets: SuperBrugsen stocks delicious Læsø Charolais beef.

ROADSIDE TREATS

Take a drive down Læsø's country roads and you'll spot charming roadside stalls selling seasonal fruits, veggies, organic eggs and freshly foraged mushrooms.

FORAGING SEASON

Læsø is bursting with edible treasures, from forest to shoreline. In autumn, the woods are rich with wild mushrooms and berries, while the coast offers samphire, sea kale, and sea sandwort – perfect for a fresh summer salad. And if you're up for a true island experience, pull on some waders: in the colder months, you can forage for oysters, mussels, and seaweed right along the shore.



SLEEP WELL ON LÆSØ

- + Østergaard Kultur Bed & Breakfast
- + Læsø Guesthouse
- + Feriehusudlejning Sol & Strand

CHEERS TO LÆSØ BREWERY

For a real taste of the island, try a beer from Læsø Bryggeri. It's a revival of an old favorite – the brewery first opened in the 1930s and ran until 1954. Now it's back, still dedicated to crafting great flavors. Some varieties even feature local ingredients like bog myrtle and honey.

TINY BEE, BIG HERITAGE

Since Viking times, the brown bee has been busy making honey for mead, food and tea. On Læsø, it's always thrived, and the island works hard to protect it. Visit Skovhytten to learn more about these fascinating bees – and don't leave without tasting Læsø honey, as rich and golden as the island itself.

SUMMER IN A GLASS

Nothing marks the start of summer like Læsø's own elderflower wine – a perfect match for dessert or a refreshing welcome drink. Pick up a bottle from Inken at Kongevejen 29, Vesterø.

FRESH FROM THE SEA

Norway lobster is a true delicacy – and thrives in the waters around Læsø. Many island restaurants serve it fresh, including Hummerens Hus, where the seafood platter is a must. Prefer to bring the taste of the sea home? Stop by Thorsen Fisk or Mortens Fiskehandel for the best local catch.

THE HARVEST THAT NEVER FAILS

A visit to Læsø isn't complete without trying the superfood of the future: seaweed. Not the kind washed up on shore, but fresh, edible seaweed harvested straight from the water. It's used in everything from soups and salads to pesto, flour, bread, and mustard. Visit Læsø Tang's farm shop for local delicacies – or join a seaweed safari and experience the harvest firsthand.

ICE CREAM MADE WITH LOVE

Sun, summer, and homemade ice cream from Storhaven – that's what holidays are all about. Every flavor is made from scratch with seasonal berries, fruits, and the finest Belgian chocolate. The farm shop also stocks local specialties like fresh juices, flour, jams, honey, and mead.

PURE, HAND-HARVESTED SALT

Læsø is famous for its salt – and for good reason. It's produced the traditional way, by evaporating water from the Rønnerne in large pans, just as it was done nearly 1,000 years ago. Visit Læsø Saltsyderi to see the process up close – and take home a taste of the island with their signature handcrafted salt.



Northern Flavors

North Jutland is a foodie's paradise, where fresh ingredients come straight from the sea, forests and local fields, infused with flavors from near and far.

From **gourmet delights** to local favorites, discover the **region's must-try dishes** and find your next unforgettable meal.

UNFORGETTABLE MEALS

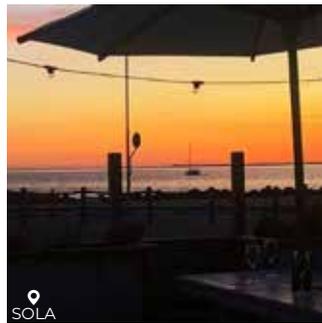
A dining experience is about more than just satisfying hunger. Here are our top picks for deliciousness.



RESTAURANT HOLGER



2TAKT



SOLA



RESTAURANT FAUNA



HUMMERENS HUS



FISKEBAREN



RESTAURANT JØRN



OKÉ



RESTAURANT JØRN

LÆSØ

The one with the sunset spot
Sola

The terrace overlooking the Kattegat is the heart of long table dinners on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, where Kamilla and her team set the table. Whether you come alone or with others, just be sure to book your spot in advance via Facebook.

Freshly cooked lobsters

Hummerens Hus

A charming half-timbered house from 1892 serving fresh fish, expertly brewed coffee, craft beer, fine wine and, of course, freshly cooked lobsters every day.

FREDERIKSHAVN

Seaside flavors

2takt Café & Brasserie

Bistro, café and deli in one – 2takt serves up French-inspired dishes, homemade pastries and great coffee, all in a stunning maritime setting.

The one with family ties

Fiskebaren Café & Spisehus

A family from Frederikshavn has created an eatery run by a fisherman, his grandmother, daughters, sons-in-law, and grandchildren – a business that is as delicious as it is heartwarming.

AALBORG

The one with a view of the water

Restaurant JØRN på Utzon Center

Both the menu and setting impress, with the historic house designed by Jørn Utzon as the backdrop. Whether you're having brunch or lunch, enjoy views of the fjord and sailboats.

The one with the concert menu

Restaurant Fauna i Musikkens Hus

At Musikkens Hus, it's not just the music that takes center stage. Restaurant Fauna's concert menu features three courses made with seasonal ingredients. Both concert-goers and passers-by are welcome.

SKAGEN

The one with nature at its heart

Ruths Hotel Oké

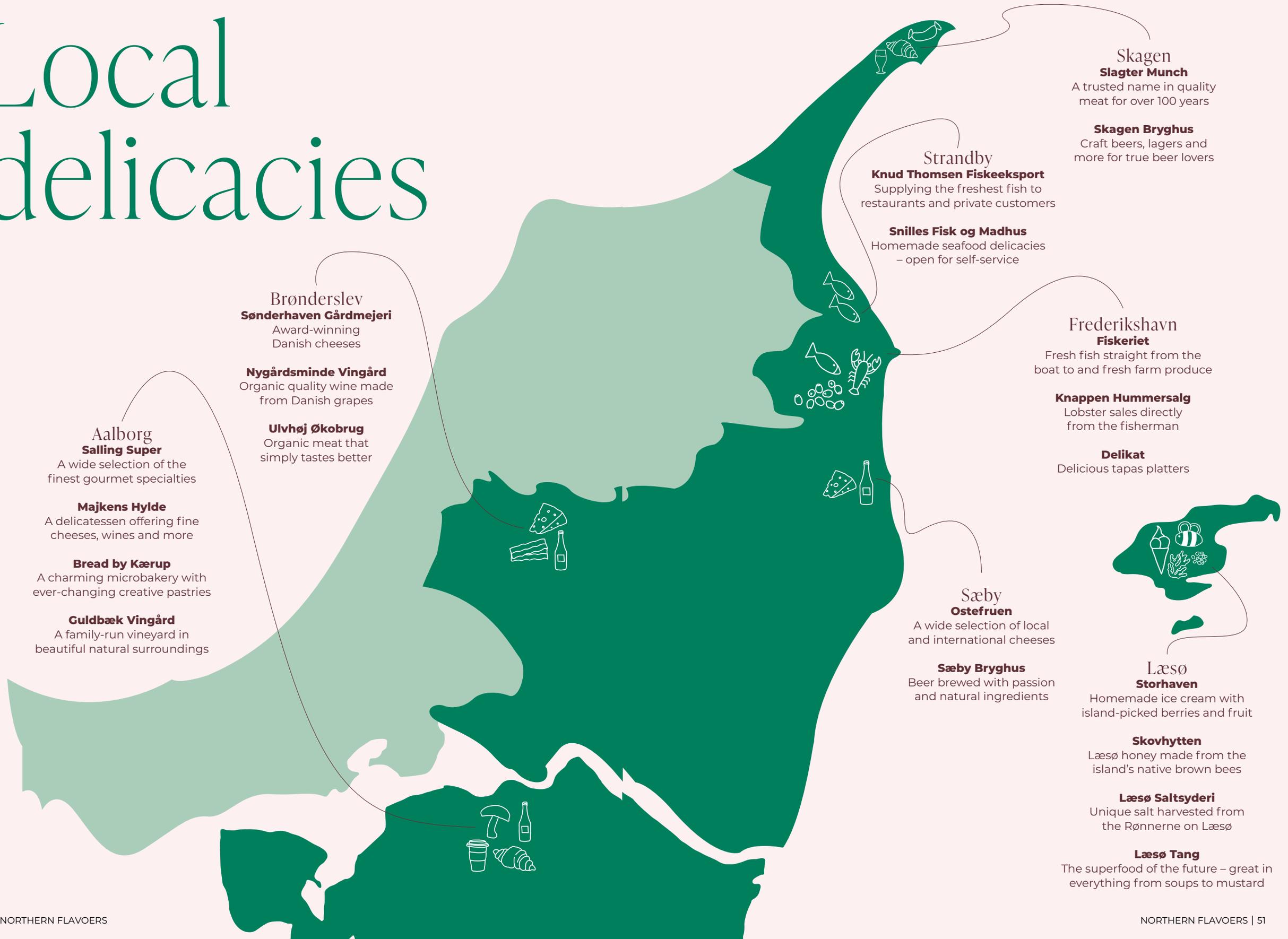
The menu celebrates the best seasonal ingredients, which is why both the menu and atmosphere of the restaurant change every three months.

The one with the walk-in closet

Restaurant Holger

A Nordic cuisine menu with a touch of Skagen, where you can savor the flavors of summer in the courtyard or on the terrace. Inside the impressive walk-in wine cabinet, a carefully curated selection of wines awaits to complement your meal.

Local delicacies



**Aalborg
Salling Super**
A wide selection of the finest gourmet specialties

Majkens Hylde
A delicatessen offering fine cheeses, wines and more

Bread by Kærup
A charming microbakery with ever-changing creative pastries

Guldbæk Vingård
A family-run vineyard in beautiful natural surroundings

**Brønderslev
Sønderhaven Gårdmejeri**
Award-winning Danish cheeses

Nygårdsminde Vingård
Organic quality wine made from Danish grapes

Ulvhøj Økobrug
Organic meat that simply tastes better

**Strandby
Knud Thomsen Fiskeeksport**
Supplying the freshest fish to restaurants and private customers

Snilles Fisk og Madhus
Homemade seafood delicacies – open for self-service

**Frederikshavn
Fiskeriet**
Fresh fish straight from the boat to and fresh farm produce

Knappen Hummersalg
Lobster sales directly from the fisherman

Delikat
Delicious tapas platters

**Sæby
Ostefruen**
A wide selection of local and international cheeses

Sæby Bryghus
Beer brewed with passion and natural ingredients

**Læsø
Storhaven**
Homemade ice cream with island-picked berries and fruit

Skovhytten
Læsø honey made from the island's native brown bees

Læsø Saltsyderi
Unique salt harvested from the Rønnerne on Læsø

Læsø Tang
The superfood of the future – great in everything from soups to mustard

Aalborg's

star-studded dining scene

Bach & Nurup

By head chef Christian Nurup and restaurant manager Nadia Bach

At Budolfi Plads, New York energy meets French elegance and Japanese precision at Bach & Nurup. Serving up culinary excellence from morning to night, this warm and welcoming spot is all about top-tier hospitality and unforgettable flavors.

Alimentum

By head chef Søren Birch

Since opening in 2019, Restaurant Alimentum has wowed both guests and critics with top-tier service and a bold focus on veggies, seafood and local flavors from Aalborg's surroundings. Looking for something truly next level? Grab a seat at the Alimentum Foodlab, where you'll be right by the kitchen, indulging in 30+ wildly creative dishes.

In 2024, the restaurant earned a Green Michelin Star for its dedication to sustainability and organics.

VEGETARIAN GEMS

CHAACHA A fusion of bold flavors from Indian cuisine. **CASPER** Healthy dishes with an Asian twist. **FUMO** Open-fire cooking at its finest. **PENNY LANE** Cakes, specialties and a creative menu.

Restaurant Bühlmann

By head chef Alexander Johnsen

Craving a fine dining experience with history and elegance? Restaurant Bühlmann at Hotel Scheelsminde delivers a menu inspired by Swiss heritage and the estate's storied past. Dine surrounded by the estate's park, greenhouse, terrace and wine cellar, with many hidden nooks that make the setting just as unforgettable as the food.

In 2024, Berlingske food critic Søren Frank awarded it five stars, and for good reason.

Emil

By owner and head chef Emil Thaarup

At Emil, it's all about seafood – reimagined. The mission? To serve the best of the ocean in new and exciting ways, opening diners' eyes to the incredible flavors beneath the waves. With a sharp focus on quality, taste and sustainability, everything from ingredients to presentation is carefully curated to meet these high standards.

In 2023, Emil was crowned "Seafood Restaurant of the Year" by the Danish Dining Guide.

OTHER GASTRONOMIC HIGHLIGHTS

MORTENS KRO Gastronomy and modern smørrebrød. **TEXTUR** Eight fixed courses changing every four weeks. **FUSION** French-Asian cuisine with top-quality ingredients. **APPLAUS** A flavor-packed journey with social dining. **NAM** Asian-Nordic fusion.



Aalborg

Aalborg radiates honesty and authenticity, and everything the city offers is just a short distance away – from industrial history and art & culture to unique experiences, exciting events and amazing food.

In the following pages, we'll guide you through **a day in the city**, highlight must-see **street art**, and share our top **architecture** tips.

24 HOURS IN Aalborg

A day with the kids

Give the whole family a great start at **Surdejsbageren** in Teaterkvarteret with good coffee and sweet pastries. Then burn off some energy at **Aalborg Zoo** or the **Klatreparken**, where you can spend hours before heading to **Penny Lane** to share your experiences over salad, sandwiches and cakes.

The afternoon is perfect for a visit to **Springeren**, a maritime experience center, a trip to **UTZON** (LEGO design) or getting creative at **Art by Me**, where you can paint cups or fun figurines. For dinner, dive into the variety at **Friis Streetfood** or enjoy tasty small plates at **Pincho Nation**.

After an action-packed day, you can really relax in the comfortable beds at the family-friendly **Kompas Hotel**.



KUNSTEN



FRIIS STREETFOOD



AALBORG ZOO



MORE FUN

- + Maximum: Bowling, minigolf, indoor playground and more
- + FunCenter Aalborg
- + Garnisonsmuseet

MORE NATURE

- + Aalborg Familie Camping Strandparken
- + Egholm: An island full of fun experiences all year round
- + Vestre Fjordpark: Swimming pool, playground and café

MORE FOOD

- + Guf og Kugler: Hand-churned gelato and sorbet
- + Kaffefair: Coffee, homemade pastries and lunch
- + På Fjorden: Bakery and café

MORE ACCOMMODATION

- + Cabinn
- + Milling Hotel Gestus
- + Prinsen Hotel



HAVNEFRONTEN

A day with your sweetheart

Take your sweetheart's hand and start with some art at **Kunsten**. Then enjoy a delicious meal at **Brasseriet** or **Restaurant Fusion**, before heading to the **waterfront** for a leisurely stroll. Take a city walk through historic Aalborg, which charms most visitors, and enjoy a drink at the boutique hotel **Pier 5** with a view of the fjord.

Later, indulge yourselves at **Mortens Kro**, and to digest the flavors, stop by the beautiful **Musikkens Hus**, head to **AKKC** or explore **Skråen**, which offers music, comedy and a cozy atmosphere.

End the day at **Bar V** at **Comwell Hotel Hvide Hus** with some of the best cocktails in town, before heading to your room. With its cozy atmosphere and stunning views, it's the perfect place to unwind and reflect on a romantic day.



COMWELL HOTEL HVIDE HUS



MUSIKKENS HUS



MORE FUN

- + Street Art Tour
- + Gedulgt
- + D'Wine Bar

MORE CULTURE

- + Skråen: Spillested for Live music venue
- + Aalborg Teater
- + Gråbrødre Kloster

MORE FOOD

- + Struktur
- + Alimentum
- + Restaurant Emil

MORE ACCOMMODATION

- + Radisson Blu Limfjord Hotel
- + Hotel Scheelsminde
- + Helnan Phønix
- + Scandic Aalborg City



UTZON CENTER

A walk through Aalborg's architecture



YEAR 400 Lindholm Høje

The burial ground at Lindholm Høje, excavated in the 1950s, is one of Denmark's most beautiful ancient monuments. The many stone settings on the hill mark nearly 700 cremation graves, and the Viking Museum features exhibitions on Viking life and on prehistoric times in the Limfjord region.



1650S Hjelmerstald

Hjelmerstald Street is located in one of the oldest and best-preserved neighbourhoods in the city – a charming and attractive area with fairytale-like small and beautiful houses. The buildings were originally stables for the town's horses, later becoming homes for soldiers in the 18th century, and today they are used as regular residences.



1930S Budolfi Plads

Budolfi Plads, in the heart of Aalborg, is part of the historic city. The square was created when the municipality envisioned making the city brighter, more open and healthier. In 2019, Budolfi Plads underwent a major transformation and today stands as an attractive recreational space.



1947 Nordkraft

Where Nordkraft once supplied the city with electricity from 1947, it has since 2009 powered Aalborg with culture instead. As one of Europe's largest cultural and activity centres, covering 30,500 square metres, the building hosts theatre performances, concerts and exhibitions. Be sure to look closely at the walls, columns and floors to experience a well-preserved piece of Denmark's cultural heritage.



2008 Utzon Center

At Aalborg's waterfront, you'll find the Utzon Center, created by the world-renowned architect Jørn Utzon. Completed in 2008, it was his final work. Utzon envisioned the centre not as a museum, but as an active and dynamic hub for architecture, design and art – something you can both see and feel.



ÅR 1624 Jens Bangs Stenhus

In 1624, Jens Bang's Stone House on Østerågade was built using flamed dark red monk bricks. Jens Bang was a wealthy merchant and one of the city's richest men, and the building is one of Northern Europe's finest Renaissance houses. The house has five storeys and is adorned with sandstone reliefs, figures and grotesque masks.



1920S Vestbyen

As the city lacked housing for large families and workers, Vestbyen was developed with small, charming houses. Today, the neighbourhood is full of character and atmosphere, with highlights such as the marina, Vestre Fjordpark, Haraldslund Water and Culture Centre, Kulturbroen and outstanding street art.



1933 Aalborgtårnet

The tower rises 55 metres and, standing on a 50-metre-high hill, reaches a total height of 105 metres above the Limfjord. Built in 1933 and designed by architect Carlo Odgård, it offers 360-degree views across the city and, on clear days, all the way to Hals Barre Lighthouse.



1972 Kunsten Museum of Modern Art i Aalborg

Kunsten is a modern art museum and cultural venue showcasing Danish and international art from the 20th century to the present day. The white marble building from 1972 was designed by the world-renowned architect Alvar Aalto, and you can experience its unique architecture and many details in the Sculpture Park and across the five exhibition galleries.



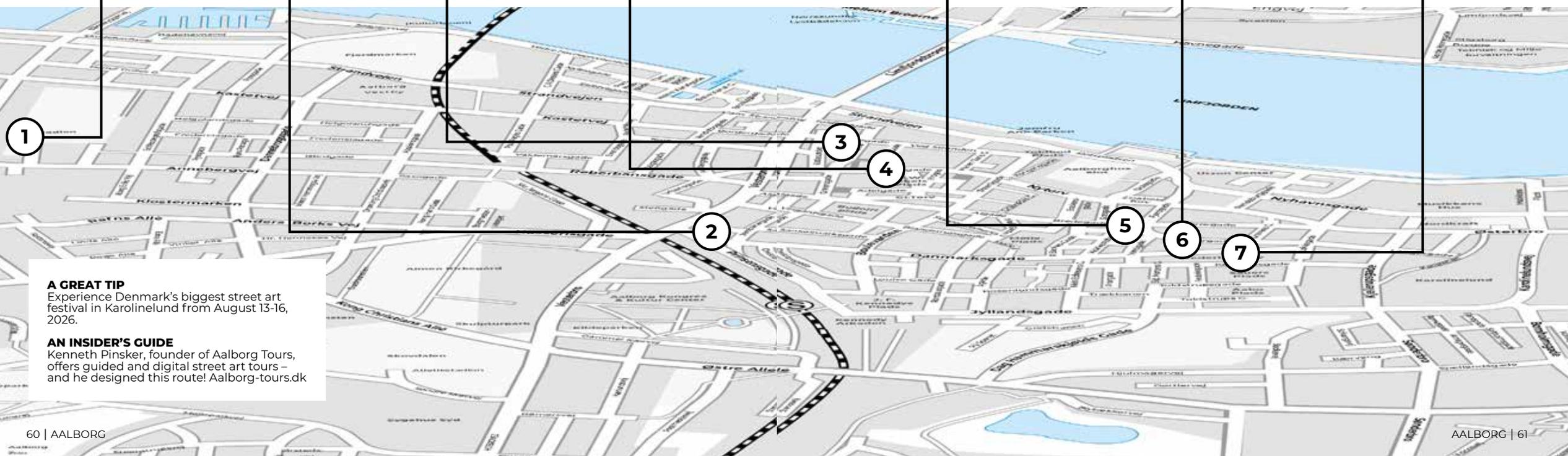
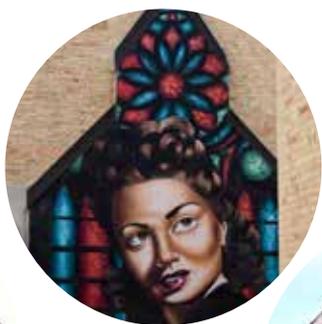
2014 Musikkens Hus

As early as 1982, the idea of creating a music venue of international calibre in Aalborg was conceived, and in 2014 the doors to Musikkens Hus finally opened. Here, nothing is left to chance, and as you step into the foyer, you're met by moving architecture that sets the scene for great moments.

FREDERIK SØRENSEN, JAN BEHRENSDORFF, KIM MIKAEL JENSEN, LASSE BRUHN, METTE JOHNSEN, NICOLAS CHO MEIER, SOFIE STÉE, RASMUS HUORTSHØJ, PATRICK BO ELKJÆR, VISIT NORDSJÆLLAND

Street art in the heart of the city

Over 90 giant murals bring Aalborg's walls to life – far too many to see in one go! Follow this route by Kenneth Pinsker, founder of Aalborg Tours, to discover some of the city's best street art.



1. Sam Bates aka SMUG
Untitled
The artist works entirely freehand with spray cans, creating stunning photorealistic murals.
📍 Vestre fjordvej 26

2. Claus Frederiksen aka BURNON
Untitled
BurnOn is Aalborg's undisputed graffiti king, known for his raw, gritty take on reality – reality, who also primarily paints with spray cans.
📍 Jernbanegade 19

3. PichiAvo
Love Desire
The artist duo mixes classical art

with modern street vibes, gaining recognition for blending painting and sculpture in urban settings.
📍 Kattesundet 47

4. Frida Still Vium aka Projekt NADA
2020
The mural features Frida Kahlo – with a clever twist: Frida is painting herself.
📍 Jomfru Ane Gade 16

5. Fintan Magee
The Pyramid
Inspired by personal experiences and global themes, the artist's figurative paintings reflect urban life, exploring diversity, migration, change,

consumerism, loss and the natural environment.
📍 Sankt Hans Gade 4

6. INTI
Our Land
Bathed in a warm orange glow, the artist's murals bring together themes of life, death, ancient religions, and Christianity – always with a few quirky characters thrown into the mix.
📍 Nørregade 31

7. Oliver Vernon
Untitled
Every painting by the artist follows its own rules, creating a unique blend of color, form, energy and architecture.
📍 Løkkegade 12

A GREAT TIP
Experience Denmark's biggest street art festival in Karolinelund from August 13-16, 2026.

AN INSIDER'S GUIDE
Kenneth Pinsker, founder of Aalborg Tours, offers guided and digital street art tours – and he designed this route! aalborg-tours.dk



Art and Culture

North Jutland is alive with art and culture, offering a vibrant blend of local creativity and global inspiration.

Let us guide you through the region's must-see sights, sounds and experiences – from **festivals** and **artisan crafts** to **world-class art** spanning from north to south.

GREAT ART

Art experiences abound in North Jutland, and with less than a 90-minute drive from Aalborg to Skagen, it's the perfect place to explore a wide range of them. We've mapped the cultural highlights, so all you need to do is set your GPS based on your preferences.

SOUTH TO NORTH



MODERN

AALBORG

KUNSTEN MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

The modern art museum and experience center showcases Danish and international art from the 1900s to the present. The collection is diverse and so are the exhibitions, which change multiple times a year.

AALBORG

UTZON CENTER

The place was designed by the world-renowned Danish architect Jørn Utzon with the vision that it should not be a traditional museum, but an active and dynamic hub for architecture, design and art.

BRØNDERSLEV

DRONNINGLUND KUNSTCENTER

The exhibition space for contemporary art focuses on painting and sculpture from Denmark and abroad. Throughout the year, special exhibitions offer a nuanced perspective on contemporary art, each with a unique vision to engage the audience.



MORE MODERN

- + Kunsthal NORD i Nordkraft
- + Læsø Kunsthal
- + North Urban Art Studio, Aalborg



HISTORICAL

BRØNDERSLEV

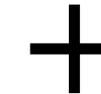
VOERGAARD SLOT

At Voergaard Castle, you'll take a guided tour through the castle's rooms, which exude decadence and a completely different way of life. Both priceless artworks and royal antiques are on display.

SKAGEN

ANCHERS HUS & DRACHMANN'S HUS

The artists' homes, part of Skagen's Art Museums, offer an exciting glimpse into the city's rich art and cultural history.



MORE HISTORICAL

- + Frederikshavn Kunstmuseum
- + Skagen Kunsthal
- + Grenen Kunstmuseum
- + Kystmuseet Skagen



CLASSIC

SKAGEN

SKAGENS MUSEUM

The museum, part of Skagens Art Museums, houses the world's largest collection of works from the artist colony that made the city famous in the 1880s. It's a unique experience to see the Skagen paintings here, where it all began.



NORTH JUTLAND'S HIDDEN ART GEMS

Ready to discover unique handcrafted art? We've put together a carefully curated list of the best pieces.



LANGES KUNSTHÅNDVÆRK



SKAGENS GLASPUSTERI



FIDILI



SÆBY GLASPUSTERI



BIRGITTE MUNCH

Precious metal

Charlotte Wæhrens
Frederikshavn
Goldsmith Charlotte Wæhrens handcrafts unique jewelry in her working studio.

Birgitte Munch
Frederikshavn
Birgitte Munch designs and handcrafts her jewelry from scratch, using only the finest metals and gemstones.

Fidili
Frederikshavn
Fie Møjen creates jewelry with a bold, distinctive design language, giving each piece its own unique character.

Cicilie Jewellery
Frederikshavn
With a flair for craftsmanship and detail, Cicilie Frandsen crafts unique jewelry in her own design.



SKAGEN POTTERI

Ceramics

Skagen Potteri
Skagen
Henrik B. Kjær's handcrafted stoneware combines artistry and function, with his beautifully crafted sinks being a standout specialty.

BeideB
Sæby
Lene Merethe Bertelsen's pottery is playful and beautifully crafted, featuring pitchers, cups and mugs.

Sæby Porcelæn
Sæby
Looking for sleek, handcrafted porcelain? Nils Møller is known for his timeless designs, especially his range of beautifully glazed cups.

Keramiker Rikke Barlebo
Dronninglund
Rikke Barlebo stamps her pottery with designs inspired by places and people that have left a lasting impression.

Keramiker Jette Abildgaard
Hjallerup
Jette Abildgaard adorns each piece with unique, beautiful motifs – no two are ever the same.

Langes Kunsthåndværk
Aalborg
For decades, the Lange family has been creating stunning ceramics and glass art, with their

Glass

Skagen Glaspusteri
Skagen
Jonas Brus Stæhr makes hand-blown lamps, vases and glassware for water, wine and more.

Sæby Glaspusteri
Sæby
Leni Bille shapes 1,000-degree molten glass into stunning vases and sculptures.

Yarn

Læsø Garnspinderi
Byrum
Else Marie Pedersen has the finest mohair yarn from the island's own goats on offer – bouclé, silk, and merino. For something truly special, order a custom hand-knit design made by the owner.

YOUR GO-TO GUIDE FOR FESTIVALS, VENUES AND EVENTS



STAY TUNED FOR THE LINEUP

Aalborg Kongres & Kultur Center
Hosting over 100 theater and music events every year.

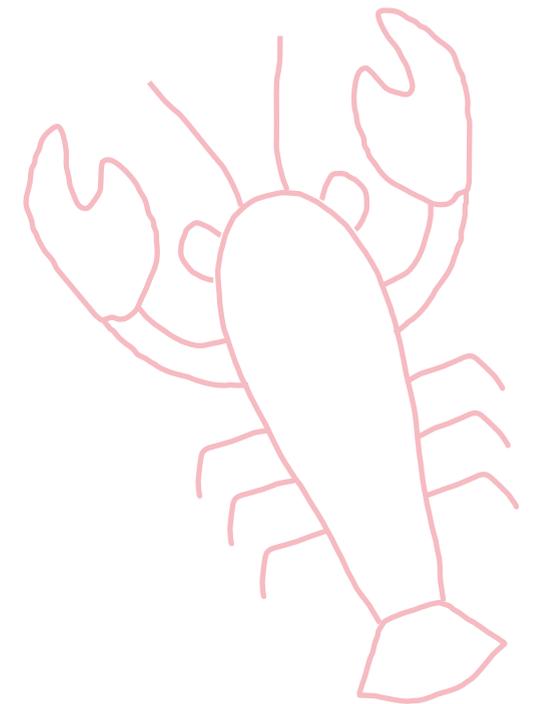
Musikkens Hus
Four concert halls, five stages and a top-notch restaurant by Aalborg's waterfront.

Skråen
Live music, stand-up comedy and shows inside Nordkraft, Aalborg's former power station.

Kulturhus Kappelborg
Skagen's cultural hub for music, exhibitions and film.

Maskinhallen Frederikshavn
A culture and concert venue focused on folk and roots music.

Arena Nord
Musicals, sports events & concerts across 15,000 m² in Frederikshavn.



Aalborg Regatta

A maritime festival filled with entertainment, water activities and stunning sailing ships.
📍 Aalborg, Juli 31 to August 2

Christmas at Voergaard Castle

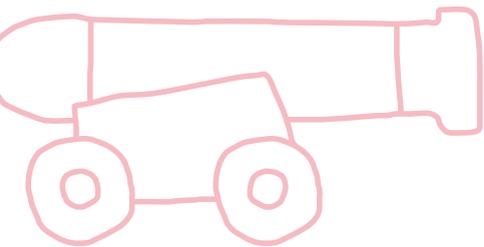
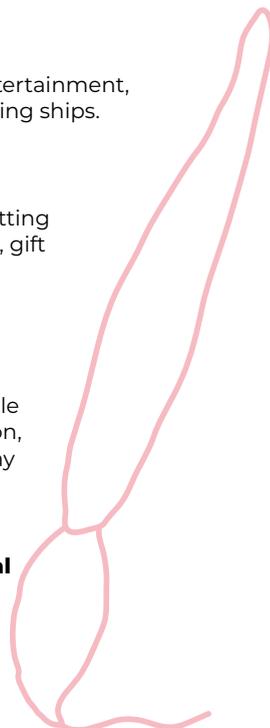
Step into a magical Christmas setting with festive vibes, entertainment, gift inspiration and seasonal treats.
📍 Dronninglund, find dates at voergaardslot.dk

Læsø Lobster Festival

At Østerby Harbor, top chefs battle it out in a high-stakes competition, while visitors enjoy a fun-filled day with plenty of activities.
📍 Læsø, Saturday, August 1

Skagen Winter Bathing Festival

Embrace the icy thrill with sauna sessions and cozy moments alongside winter swimmers from all over Denmark.
📍 Skagen, late January 2027



Big and famous

Middelalderdage at Voergaard Slot

Colorful characters, impressive craftsmanship, roaring bonfires and a fantastic atmosphere.
📍 Dronninglund, July 11-18

Tordenskjold's Days – The Year is 1717

Frederikshavn as it used to be – packed with kid-friendly adventures.
📍 Frederikshavn, find dates at krudttaarnet.dk

Bangsbo Fort 4045

History comes to life with reenactments, military vehicles and live events.
📍 Frederikshavn, June 20–21

Aalborg Carnival

Samba beats and a sea of happy people at Northern Europe's largest carnival.
📍 Aalborg, May 23

Nibe Festival

Great music, great vibes and one of Denmark's biggest festivals.
📍 Nibe, July 1–4

Small and quirky

Ordkraft 2026

A festival celebrating literature in all its forms, from bestsellers to bold, experimental works.
📍 Aalborg, April 9–11

Læsø Cultural Heritage Days

Step into Læsø's fascinating history with salt boiling, pioneering women, seaweed roofs, the journey to UNESCO World Heritage status, nature, fishing and a vibrant community. Enjoy activities, talks and workshops.
📍 Læsø, September 17-19

SUP & Water Festival

The harbors of Hou, Strandby, Hals, Sæby, Aalbæk and Asaa invite you to dive into a weekend of water sports and fun for all.
📍 Find dates at EnjoyNordjylland.dk



A photograph of a person standing in a forest, looking out over a valley. The person is silhouetted against the bright light coming from the horizon. The forest is dense with tall trees, and the ground is covered in fallen leaves and twigs. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and scenic.

Discover North Jutland's best experiences

Looking for exciting events, activities or unique experiences to make your trip unforgettable?

Check out [EnjoyNordjylland.com](https://www.enjoy nordjylland.com) for a constantly updated calendar of what's happening – from cozy markets and local concerts to stunning nature experiences and family-friendly fun.

EXPLORE



Quality Hotel The Reef

Certified with the Nordic Swan Ecolabel as part of an ambitious 2030 strategy for climate-neutral operations.



Utzon

Certified as a Green Attraction.



PLANT A TREE. For just 25 DKK, you can help reduce the CO2 footprint of your travels in North Jutland. We've partnered with Klimaskovfonden to plant trees in the region. Learn more at EnjoyNordjylland.dk/giv-et-trae

GO BY TRAIN. Skip the car and travel hassle-free by rail. Check out the map on page 74 for an overview of train and bus routes in North Jutland.

EAT GREEN. Many places in North Jutland offer delicious vegetarian options! On page 52, you'll find a guide to Aalborg's best vegetarian restaurants.

WANT MORE? Discover eco-certified hotels and attractions at EnjoyNordjylland.com



Nygaardsminde Vineyard

A Green Attraction certified conference venue with its own winery.

Nordsøen Oceanarium

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Kunsten

Certified as a Green Attraction.



Color Hotel Skagen

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GREEN



First Camp Råbjerg Mile

A Green Camping certified site in Skagen.

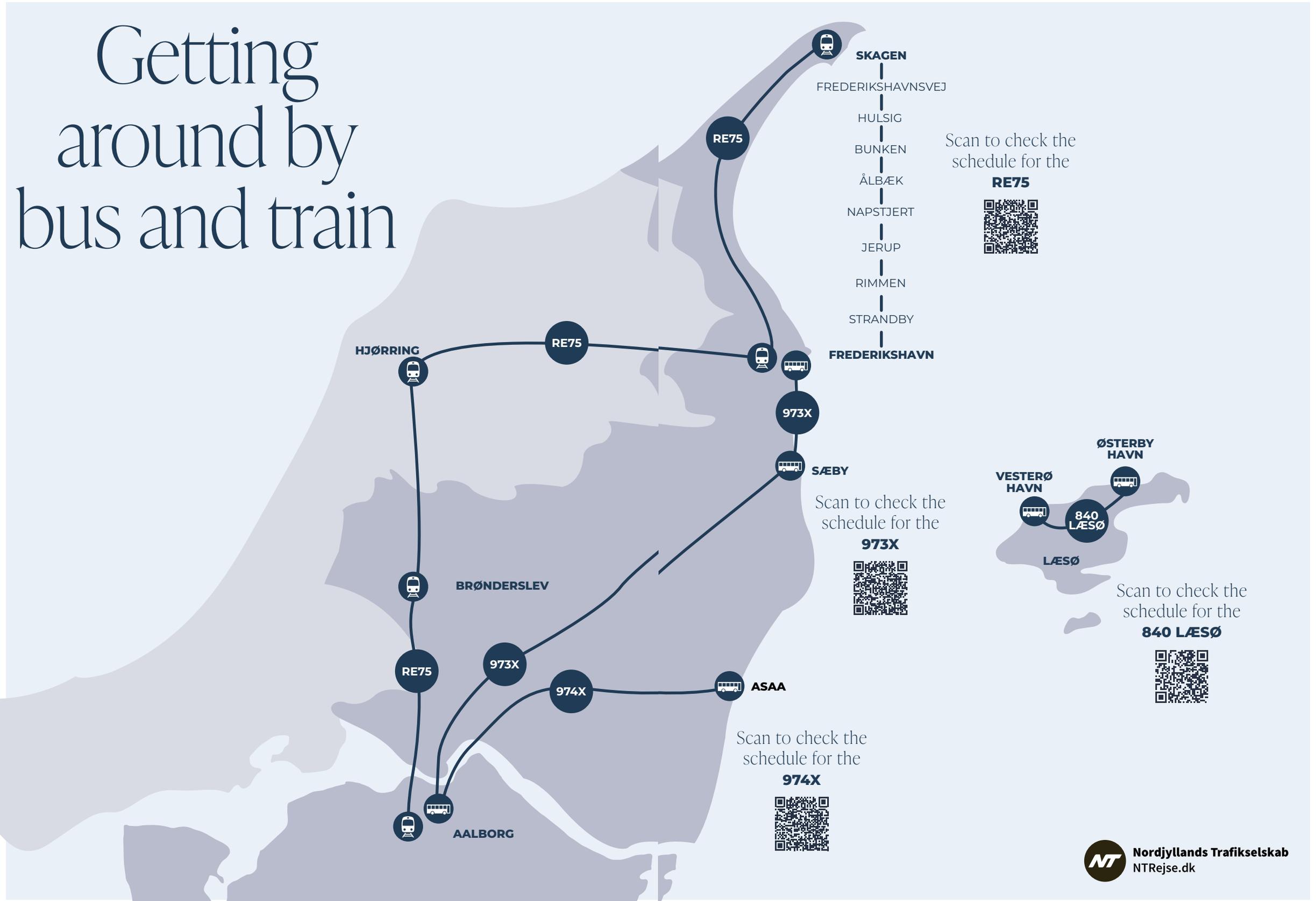


Fårup Sommerland

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NORTH JUTLAND

Getting around by bus and train



- SKAGEN
- FREDERIKSHAVNSVEJ
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- ÅLBÆK
- NAPSTJERT
- JERUP
- RIMMEN
- STRANDBY
- FREDERIKSHAVN

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