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Denmark – Funen and Ærø Biking Tour 2021
Individual Self-Guided
7 days / 6 nights



Whether you love cycling along beautiful beaches, over breathtaking hills with stunning views or through charming villages with cozy cafés, South Fyn will be perfect for you. Sailing is an important part of your holiday here. The ferry ride to Ærø gives you intriguing glimpses into life on the small islands, inhabited only by few people – and in some cases, only by grazing cattle. Ærø itself is a highlight, with fertile landscapes where small farms sit idyllically between the rolling hills and small, old maritime towns. Our hotels are on the beach just outside Svendborg and Faaborg (2-3 km) so you can enjoy being close to nature and the sandy beaches. We also have hotels on the island of Ærø. We highly recommend you to visit the “capital” of Fyn, Odense, which is the home town of the world famous poet and fairy-tale author Hans Christian Andersen. Odense has it all: charming high streets, fascinating museums and galleries, inviting green parks and delightful cafés. Odense is also rightly known for being a remarkably bike-friendly city. In fact, there is no better way to explore this modern, lively and authentically “hyggelige” city than by bike.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Svendborg, the old seaside town – squeezed in between sea and hills. Home port for many beautiful wooden ships
- The south Funen Archipelago, a paradise for cyclists – as well as yachtsmen and hikers
- Valdemar Castle
- Ærø – a unique island community
- Ferry trips and lovely beaches
- Odense, the home town of H.C Andersen

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Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival to Svendborg

Svendborg is a vibrant and exciting town with a historical centre. Shops and restaurants offer tasty, healthy and locally grown food, which has become a brand for South Fyn: "The Taste of Funen" - "Smagen af Fyn". You can explore the traditional wooden shipyard or visit the modern museum of natural history. All our hotels are situated with easy access to cycle friendly roads. If you have rented bikes, they will be at the hotel on the afternoon on your arrival. Overnight stay in Svendborg.



Day 2: Svendborg and surroundings 35 km or 53 km

Explore the beautiful surroundings of Svendborg. Go across the bridge to the island of Thurø, where you can visit the maritime centre. From here you can take the vintage ship 'M/S Helge' to Tåsinge where you pass cute, timbered houses on your way to Valdemar's Castle. You can also go see the more than 400 year old oak tree The Ambrosius Oak and visit various farm shops along the way. As you bike along the peaceful roads, you will pass stunning nature sights and beautiful views. Make a stop at the cozy harbour Skovballe Havn and breathe in the fresh ocean air. Don't forget to visit Svendborg Brewery, where you can buy tasty beer, local wine and delicious chocolates. You can also spend the day at Egeskov Castle, north of Svendborg. Egeskov Castle offers great experiences for the whole family. Here

you can explore one of the most beautiful parks in Europe, where you'll also find a fun maze, as well as a playground, a large collection of vintage cars and motorbikes, a hunting and trophy museum and much more. Overnight stay in Svendborg.

Day 3: Svendborg - Ærø 29 km

Take the ferry from Svendborg to Ærøskøbing on Ærø (departing mid-morning; sailing time is a bit over 1 hour). On Ærø you will find yourself in a 19th century atmosphere, with narrow cobblestone lanes, half-timbered houses with hollyhocks - and lots of time. Everywhere you go you will find farm shops where you can buy fruit, vegetables and honey. Ærø has its own brewery and is known for its production of ice cream and chocolate. You are never far away from the beach or a bench and each of the three main towns has its own charm. Note that the bus is free on Ærø. Overnight stay on Ærø.

Day 4: Ærø - Faaborg 36 km

Bike along the coastline to Voderup Klint and Vitsø Mill. You should also visit the manor Søbysgaard with its interesting art exhibitions and enjoy a delicious cup of coffee at a small cycle café, a little south of Søbys. Later on in the afternoon, you will take a ferry from Søbys to Faaborg (sailing time approx. 1 hour). Overnight stay in Faaborg.





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Day 5: Faaborg and the surroundings 41 km

Enjoy a day in Svanninge Bakker (The “Alps” of Fyn), which is one of the most exciting nature areas on Fyn, created during the Ice Age. You can also go to the small village of Diernæs, passing Kaleko Mill on your way, where the very popular Danish Christmas show Nissebanden was filmed. You can also pass great woods, shelters and Holstenshuus Castle. Continue cycling to Falsted where you can find one of the best restaurants in Denmark, and from here, back to Faaborg. Alternatively, you can do a more relaxed trip, cycling to the beaches on the Horneland peninsula, to the west of Faaborg. Overnight stay in Faaborg.

Day 6: Faaborg - Svendborg 44 km

Cycle along an absolutely idyllic route along the coastline to Svendborg. Remember to stop for a picnic at one of the picnic areas on the way. If you want to extend the day’s stage, we suggest you cycle through the South Fyn hills, passing meltwater lakes and fertile fields with cud-chewing cattle, before heading to Svendborg along the coast. Overnight stay in Svendborg.



Day 7: Departure Check out and departure.

You have now reached the end of the tour and it’s time to enjoy the last of Fyn’s magic. Spend time in the beautiful nature areas around the hotel, take a walk along the water or visit the city’s cosy streets and cafés. If you still want to go biking you can rent a bike at the hotel and go further into the surroundings of Svendborg - maybe you should go visit Egeskov Castle if you didn’t see it already? It’s also possible to make a stop in Odense on your way back. Here you can visit the Hans Christian Andersen Exhibition, which gives an insight into the famous Danish writer’s life, The Danish Railway Museum, Odense Zoo or the open-air museum The Funen Village. The capital of Fyn is full of history and unique culture and is definitely worth a visit.



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Route



Technical Characteristics:

Tour Profile: Relatively Easy. The terrain is flat with occasional small hills. It is a leisurely tour and is suited for cyclists in average physical condition. You ride along bike paths, and minor roads.

Total Distance: 114 km

Travel Season: Sunday departures from May 23 to September 5, 2021



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Price per Person:

Double Occupancy	€ 748.00
Single Occupancy	€ 1048.00
Extra Bed	€ 398.00
Children aged 0-2 years sharing parents bed	Free of charge
Bike Rental Hybrid bike 7 gear with foot and hand brake	€ 100.00
E-Bike Rental	€ 300.00
Child's Bike Rental	€ 80.00
Child's Seat	€ 40.00
Helmet	€ 10.00
Hybrid Bike Insurance (excess 100 Euros theft and damage in accident)	€40.00
E-Bike Insurance	€100.00
Children's trailer: Burley for 1 or 2 children or tag along (follow me)	€80.00
Extra Nights Copenhagen Double Occupancy	€ 128.00
Extra Nights Copenhagen Single Occupancy	€ 168.00

Accommodation:

You will stay at Hotel Christiansminde, Hotel Faaborg Fjord, Ærø Hotel or similar hotels.

Included:

- Accommodation in comfortable 3-4* hotels including breakfast buffet
- Luggage transfer from hotel to hotel
- Ferry from Svendborg to Ærø and back from Ærø to Faaborg
- Information about highlights and sightseeing
- Hotline service in case of problems or questions
- GPS and road book with daily descriptions



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Bikes

All rentals include a pannier, a repair kit, pump, bell, lock, lights, and a cycle computer (one per room).



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