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DEAR GUEST

Welcome to Fanø. We hope you have a wonderful stay and many wonderful holiday experiences. Already on the ferry between Esbjerg and Fanø you can feel your heartbeat drop and calmness set in.

When you read this holiday guide, you are probably already staying at your accommodation. If you haven't yet figured out where to stay, the guide can also help you find the right accommodation, whether it's a hotel, camping, holiday home or B&B.

If you are planning a day trip to Fanø, there is also plenty of inspiration here. A good tip, leave the car on the mainland and use the bike on Fanø. If you don't bring your own bike, there are several bike rental companies on the is-

Fanø holds many experiences, both big and small. The huge sandy beach is the biggest attraction, but there are also plenty of exciting experiences in nature behind the dunes and in the 2 urban environments of Nordby and Sønderho. Seals, Duck decoys, block art, 4 museums and much more.

There is a great deal that you can experience on your own, but it gives the experience an extra dimension when

you are told the story by a local guide. At visitfanoe.dk and Vadehavskysten.dk you can get an overview of the many activities that take place on Fanø. It is easy to order and buy the exciting experiences and excursions that Fanø offers. The events can be purchased both online or directly from the organizers.

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OPENING HOURS ON FANØ:

The normal opening hours for shops on Fanø are Monday to Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Supermarkets are normally open all weekdays 8 a.m. to 6 or 7 p.m. Opening hours do vary depending on type of shop. There are also seasonal variations. Opening hours are typically longer in July and August.









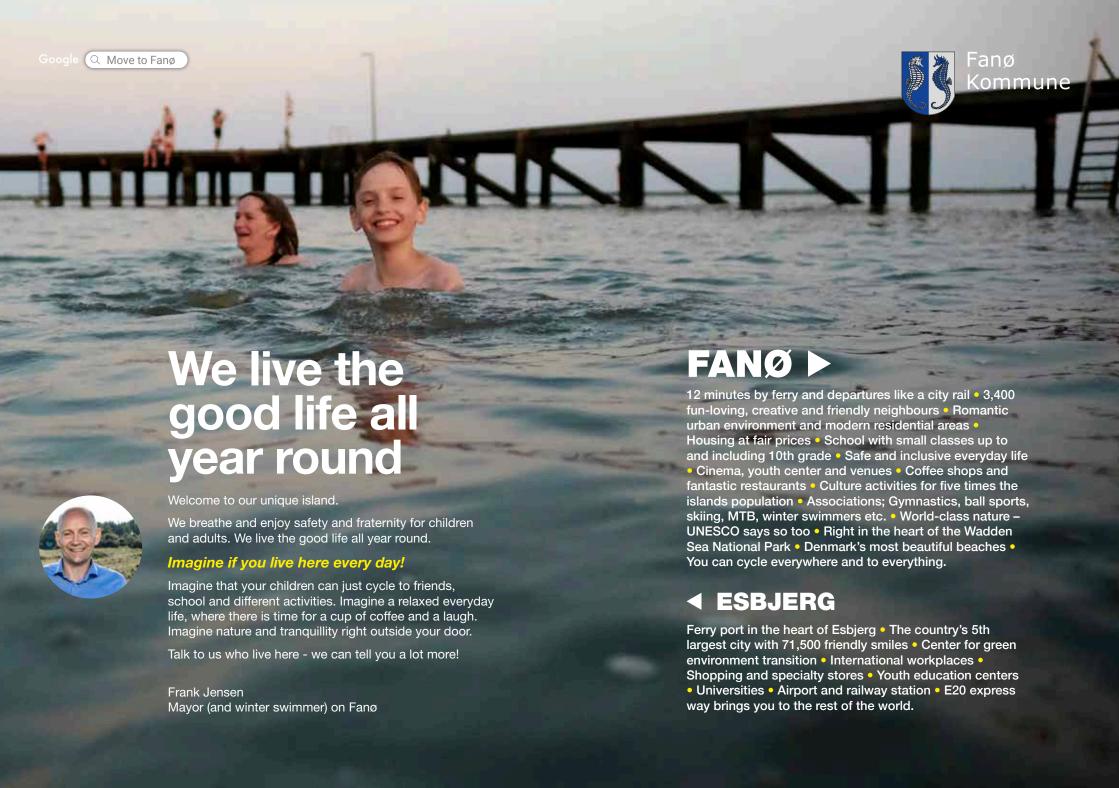




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THE ISLAND



Fanø was formed into an island approximately 8000 years ago. Before then, the stretch from Blåvandshuk to Sild was probably one coast line. The lower heathlands were flooded by the sea, forming the large sand barriers which in turn developed the protective island group known as Fanø, Mandø and Rømø, Because of this protection, the Wadden Sea transformed into the landscape we know today. Tides, storm surges and wind has since caused Fanø to grow towards the West.

It is not precisely known when people first settled on Fanø although the first records are from 1231. From then until 1741 Fanø was the property of the Danish king. However, potsherds have been found at Halen, which are approximately 2,000 years old, so it is possible that Fanø was also inhabited in the earlier Iron Age. Today the island measures about 60km2.

Despite is modest size, Fanø is an independent municipality. In 2005, an election was held to decide if Fanø should join the new, larger Esbjerg Municipality. 65% of the inhabitants on Fanø voted for the island to remain independent, Today, Fang is the second smallest municipality in Denmark.

Many small islands and rural districts are struggling with

fewer workplaces and a decrease in population. This is not the case on Fanø. Our population has been increasing and we are now more than 3.500 citizens. A significant reason for the increasing population is the proximity to Esbierg. With only a twelve-minute ferry ride, it is easy to live on Fanø and work in Esbjerg. More than 700 people commute to the mainland every day. In return, about 300 people commute the other way, to Fanø, every day

FANØ MUNICIPALITY

Fang is run by a municipal council consisting of 11 persons who are elected every four years. The last elections took place in November 2021. 5 different parties have seats in the council, who elected Frank Jensen as new

THE SCHOOL ON FANØ

Fanø Skole, the school on Fanø, is located in Nordby, Most of the children on the island attend school here, from kindergarten class and up to the 9th or 10th grade. In connection to the school, there is also a public and school library and an after-school club. In very close proximity to the school, you also have the island's indoor and outdoor sports facilities.



HEALTHCARE

Fanø has a large health centre which is situated in an old building that used to house the navigational training centre. Besides housing Fanø Municipality's own healthcare personnel, located here is a private medical practice and a private dialysis centre for kidney patients. The nearest hospital is located in Esbjerg. An ambulance is stationed on the island, and an agreement has been made with the ferry to have people on call to complete emergency transports 24 hours a day. This means that the ferry can sail right away, should there be a need for an emergency transport.

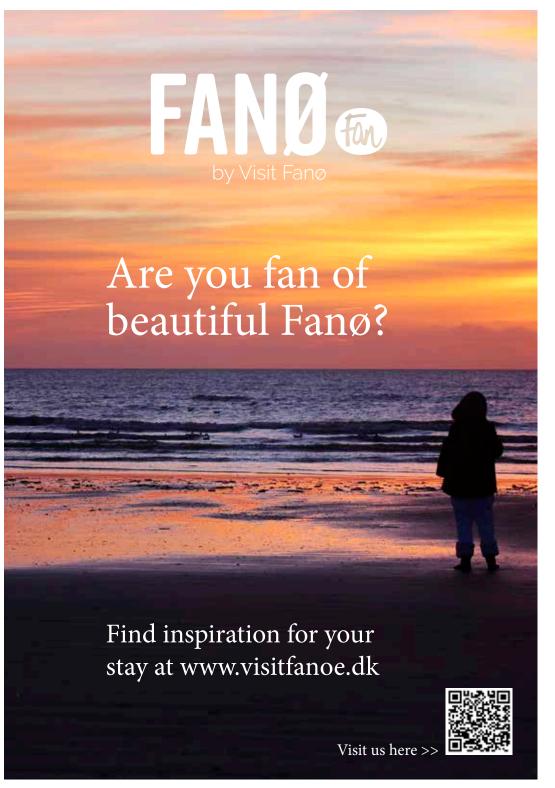


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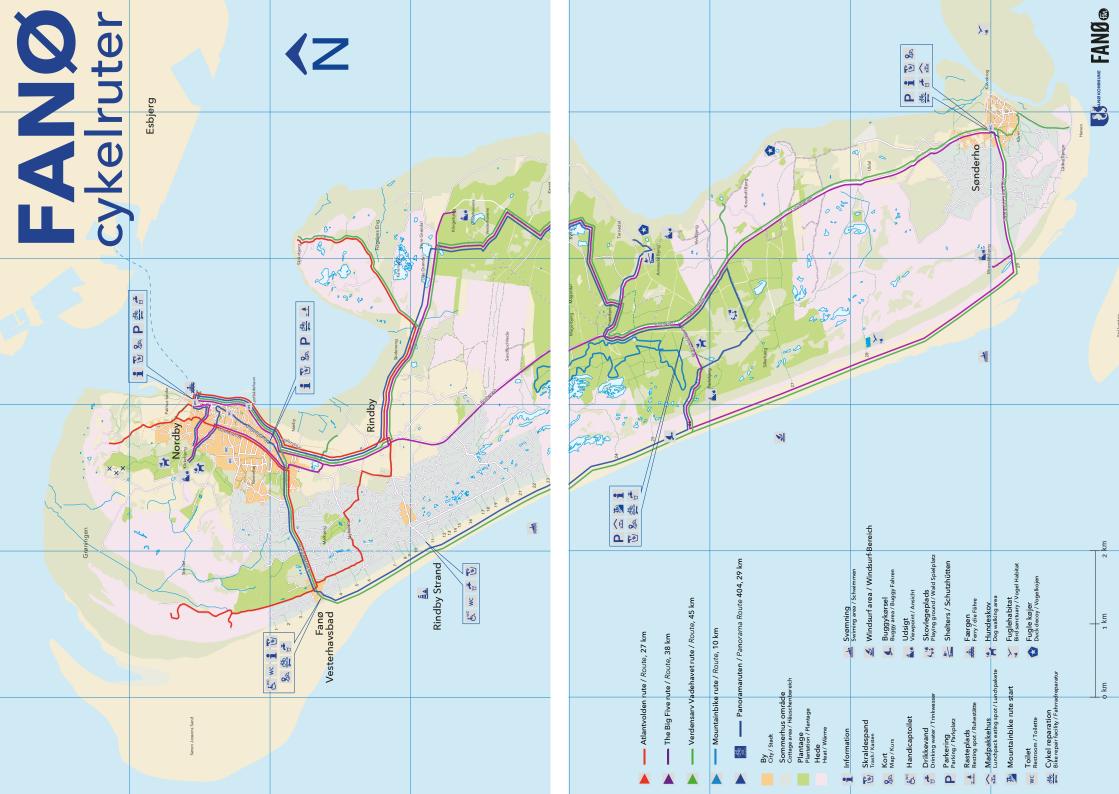
LIBRARIES

There are two libraries on the island, one in Nordby and one in Sønderho. They are both subdivisions of Esbjerg Bibliotik, the library in Esbjerg. The libraries have books, movies, games and free access to computers. It is also possible to visit the libraries as a visitor. Both libraries are open from morning till evening all days of the week. Most of the time, the libraries are self-serviced.

Nordby Library, Stadionvej 17, Nordby Sønderho Library, Landevejen 41, Sønderho Opening hours: www.esbjergbibliotek.dk/biblioteker







LIFE FEELS GREATER



The bike is the ideal way to get around Fanø. The whole island is only approx. 15 km long and approx. 5 km at the widest point, so the distances are short. There are cycle paths between all the urban areas on Fanø (Nordby, Fanø Bad, Rindby Strand and Sønderho), so it is safe and secure to cycle on Fanø - for children and adults.

If you want to venture further away from the main tho - roughfares, there are plenty of beautiful nature experiences by following the gravel and dirt roads at the northern and eastern ends of the island. Even in the dune plantation there are roads and paths on which it is possible to cycle. Others are more suitable for a mountain bike. Cycling around the small roads in the holiday home areas in Fanø Bad, Rindby Strand and Sønderho is definitely an experience too. As something very special, it is easy to cycle on the beach on the west side of Fanø.

There are 5 resting spots around the island, at the harbor in Nordby, next to Nordby Church, by the public toilets in Fanø Bad, in Fanø Klitplantage and next to Sønderho Church. As a minimum, the rest areas have a large map of the island, garbage racks and bicycle pump. The rest area in the dune plantation at Mågekolonivej also has a covered picnic area and hammocks if a little nap is needed. There is bicycle rental in both Nordby, Rindby Strand and Sønderho.

BIKING ROUTES ON FANØ

There are 5 folders available containing information on biking routes on Fanø. In each folder there is a map, a description of the route and a briefing on what you may encounter during the tour. You can either download maps and descriptions at www.visitfanoe.dk or acquire the leaflets at Club Fanø for free.

Route no. 1: The World Heritage Wadden Sea route is 42 kilometres long. This route takes you all the way around the island, and while cycling you will experience some of the most important landscapes that has helped Fanø and the sea around Fang to achieve national park and World Heritage status. From the flat meadows to the northeast, via the dunes, the dune plantation and the North Sea beach to the southeastern tip south of Sønderho, called Hønen.

Route no. 2: The Atlantic Wall route: it is 26 kilometres long and will take you to several of the most interesting bunkers on the island. These bunkers were built during the 2 World War Most of the more than 300 bunkers on Fanø today are completely covered in sand, but this trip takes you around to some of the bunkers that can still be experienced.

Route no. 3: The Panoramic Route 404 is the only one that has been marked by signs. It is 26 kilometres long



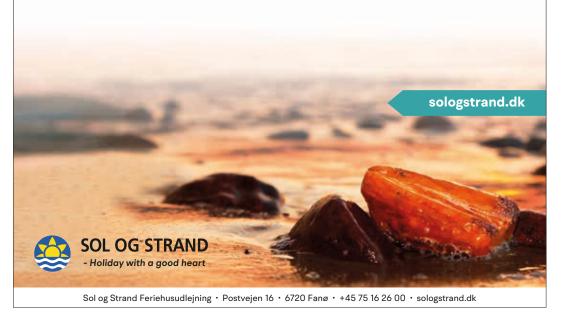
and provides an opportunity to go to some of the best viewpoints and landscapes on the northern part of Fanø.

Route no. 4: "The Big Five" takes you to the 5 viewpoints made up of the 5 largest hills on Fanø and is 37 kilometres long. The 5 "mountains" are Kikkebjerg, Klingebjerg, Annedalsbjerg, Pælebjerg and Mosedalsbjerg



Route no. 5: The Mountain Bike trail is 7 kilometres long and is located in a beautiful area in the western part of Fanø Klitplantage. The route is relatively flat with a few small inclines. It is a very beautiful ride that is suitable for beginners

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HIKING ON FANØ

Go exploring in nature and the landscape on Fanø or in the 2 idyllic villages of Nordby and Sønderho. experiences around the corner. You can go on guided city walks in both Sønderho and Nordby, as well as the very popular walk on the seabed out to the large seal bank west of Sønderho. See more at www.visitfanoe.dk and vadehavskysten.dk. Of course, there are also many options for trips on your own.

SØREN JESSENS SAND

The beach is by far the most popular place to walk, whether it's a short walk along the water's edge or a longer walk along the 15 km long North Sea beach. A very special experience is Søren Jessens Sand, which is the large beach area north of Fanø Bad. At its widest point, the beach here is almost 2 km wide, so here it is more like a sandy desert than a beach. It is a fascinating place where you can experience what you think are large merchant ships coming sailing in the sand. Of course they don't, from the middle of the beach you can't see the water and it therefore seems as if the ships are sailing in the sand.

FANØ DUNE PLANTATION

The area at Fanø Klitplantage is a very varied and exciting landscape, which is criss-crossed by forest roads and paths that you can walk on. It is a good idea to have the experience card "When we cycle and hike on Fanø" with you on the trip if you move outside the marked routes. The maps on mobile phones do not include all roads and paths.

There is a marked hiking route in Fanø Klitplantage of approximately 10 km in total. The route can be divided into 2 trips, one east and one west of approx. 3.5 and 6.5 km respectively. The routes are marked with poles. The route east of the main road goes through both forest and open dune areas with heather. At the end of summer, the heather blooms and makes these routes something very special. In several places there is a nice view of the Wadden Sea to the east. The route west of the main road goes through forest and open dune areas, where there is a view of the beach and the North Sea. The forest playground and the island's highest point Pælebjerg are located along these routes.

During the winter, it usually rains so much that parts of the path network are flooded. This applies especially to the dunes in the western part, but also to other low-lying places.

DUCK DECOYS

On the marked walking routes the plantation to the east, you will pass several duck decoys. The 2 birdhouses which are best preserved and open to the public are Albue Fuglekøje and Sønderho GI. fuglekøjet. In the same area are 2 more dusk decoys, Ternedal Fuglekøje and Sønderho Fuglekøje. Signs of another decoy have been found in the area, so perhaps there were once 5. The last 3 are now all overgrown.

A duck decoy is a facility that was formerly used for catching wild ducks and other migratory birds. An artificially created hexagonal pond is provided in each corner with 6 channels, which are covered with nets. The duck decoys were built in the middle of the 19th century following the Dutch model, where they have existed since the 16th century.

In 1931, it was forbidden to catch birds in this way and they have since functioned as small open-air museums and natural gems.

KIKKEBJERG KLITPLANTAGE

In the plantation west of Nordby, there is a marked walking route in the slightly hilly dune area. Close to the route is Kikkebjerg itself, which is a dune peak with a small house on top. From here there is a beautiful view over both the landscape to the west and north, as well as over Nordby and in the background Esbjerg and Esbjerg Harbour. Originally it was used as a vantage point for the pilots in Nordby. The building at the top is not the original pilot building. It was destroyed by the storm in 1999.

Just north of the dune plantation is the best-preserved defense installation from the Second World War, the so-called "Flak Nord", where you can see a number of bunkers and flak positions in the dune landscape.

HØNEN

The most popular hiking route at Sønderho is the trip around the southern tip of Fanø. You can advantageously start the trip at the old harbor and go south to Hønen. Sanding of the old navigation channel to Sønderho has created this small salt marsh, where you can find a large part of the Wadden Sea's flora in a very small area. From Hønen, follow the beach to the northwest with views of Mandø and Galgerev with the large seal colony. Follow Sønderho Strandvei back to Sønderho.





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THE MOUNTAINS ON FANØ

Mountaineering on Fanø? It sounds like a joke and maybe it is. But we have made a route that we call "The 5 big ones". The 5 big ones are Kikkebjerg, Pælebjerg, Klingebjerg, Annedalsbjerg and Mosedalsbjerg.

It is possible to do it both as a bike ride or as the destination for a hike in the areas where one of the mountains is located. They are all located in some of the most scenic areas on Fanø and offer a fantastic view of the landscape. It's a fun treasure hunt for the whole family, leading to places not normally discovered.

The mountains on Fanø are in reality dunes which have been created by sand and wind through hundreds of years. The oldest dunes on Fanø, ie. Annesdals Bjerg and Klingebjerg, are on the east coast. The farther towards west we go, the younger the dunes are. On the beach between Fanø Bad and Rindby Strand, you can see a new generation of dunes being created.

CITYWALKS

City walks Most visitors to Fanø naturally come to Nordby and Sønderho, either to shop or take a walk through the main streets. However, there is a lot to experience if you venture into the side streets. Many of the streets were originally paths and therefore wind in an almost labyrinthine pattern. Despite their size, you can actually get lost

As something special, part of the old paths, which connected the larger roads, are still preserved. They are marked with poles with a small blue sign. Sometimes it looks like you are entering private property, but these are publicly accessible trails that show the 2 cities from a completely different side

SEA FOG

The fog, or sea fog as it is called, is a true spring phenomenon. It is created on the ocean when warm and moist air pumped up towards Denmark from southwest meets a cold ocean. When at the same time, the sun shines inland, the ground and the air is warmed up and this results in a sea breeze, an onshore wind that drives the sea fog towards the coast.

It happens incredibly fast! It is almost as though the sea fog surprises you while your back is turned. The fog can be so close that is it is impossible to see anything. Nothing! And if you are wandering in the Wadden landscape, sea fog is a danger you had best beware. So, keep an eye on the weather report.

THE BEACH AND THE SEASIDE VILLAGES



Fanø Bad and Rindby beach are really typical Danish seaside resorts. A small town center close to the beach and then the large areas with holiday homes, campsites and hotels. Right down to the beach.

FANØ VESTERHAVS BAD

With the golf course, 2 miniature golf facilities, tennis and Paddle tennis, Club Fanø's activity centre, candle workshop and several exciting shops and restaurants, Fanø Bad is well on its way to recreating the place's heyday.

It was in the 1880s that the initial ideas of creating Denmark's first spa emerged. Spa tourism in other parts of Europe had become a great success, which made Denmark's Tourist Association scout for a place to build our own luxurious spa. The choice fell on Fanø Bad, partly because of the beach and the nature, partly because it was possible to buy both land, beach and beach front here.

In 1892 the spa hotel, 'Kurhotellet', was opened, and also a number of large private holiday homes were built. In the following years, the hotels 'Kongen af Danmark' and 'Strandhotellet' were built along with other facilities which were meant to cater to affluent guests.

'Fanø Vesterhavsbad' had its most success in the years between 1st and 2nd World War. As early as 1901 the first golf course of Denmark was established in the dunes just north of the hotels. The course, 'Fanø Golf Links', remains the only real links golf course in Denmark. Between 1919 and 1924 international motor races took place directly on the beach. However, a tragic death during a race and an attempt to reach a new world record, put an end to races in 1924.

The 2nd World War ended tourism and 'Fanø Vesterhav-sbad'. When the war ended, the whole area was in a poor state. Despite attempts to renovate and revive it as a holiday spot, it never reached its former popularity and the hotels replaced by the holiday apartment complexes that characterise Fanø Bad today. Only few remains from the luxurious days are left. The original 'Kellers Konditori' is still standing, and today it is known as 'Kellers Badehotel og Spisehus'. Some of the large holiday homes can still be seen, and the golf course is doing well; today it is the main attraction of Fanø Bad.

RINDBY BEACH

Rindby beach is the largest holiday area with holiday homes beautifully situated in the dune landscape. The development really took off in the 1960s, when the area went from a few hundred summer houses to the current around 1,400 holiday homes.

Rindby Strand is also the center of camping life on Fanø. 4 of the island's 7 campsites are located in a row along Kirkevejen and create lots of life in the area. All the campsites were established in the late 1950s and early 1960s. Fanø was such a popular camping destination that in the early 1980s there were 13 campsites on the island. The 6 places have since either been closed or merged with one of the other campsites.

In Rindby Strand there are two minigolf courses, a football golf course and an indoor playground in connection to the campsites. There is also a supermarket, cafes and shops here.

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BEACH LIFE



The beach is big enough that there is space for everyone, whether you wish to swim, sunbathe, fly kites, drive a Blokart or Kite-Buggy, wind- or kitesurf, look for amber, go for a walk, observe the sunset, or watch the birds. There is also space for dogs and their owners, but please remember to be considerate. From 1st April to 31st September all dogs must be on a leash.

The part of the beach situated between Fanø Bad and Rindby Strand is the most popular part for those visitors who like to swim in the ocean.

It is one of the most family friendly beaches, shallow and with less current than most other places. Therefore, one should still take heed and follow the bathing advice: Learn to swim, never bathe alone, go only to the navel, swim along the shore, never bathe with alcohol and narcotics in the blood and go up when you start to freeze.

The beach is a dynamic piece of nature, constantly changing. Contrary to many other places on the West Coast, the beaches on Fanø are getting ever wider. The currents of the sea bring sand with them, which is then deposited by Fanø, Mandø and Rømø, The 3 islands are sheltered by Horns Rev located north of Blåvands Huk

At Fanø Bad, the beach is now more than 700 metres wide. The farther south you go, the narrower the beach gets. The beach by Fanø Bad and Rindby is now so wide that new rows of dunes are forming in the middle of it. In the Fanø Bad stretch, the area between the new and the old dune row is transforming into salt meadow as the sand gradually becomes muddy soil. West of the new row of dunes, we thus have the 'new' North Sea beach with fine white sand.

It is permitted to drive on the beach between Fanø Bad and Sønderho. The speed limit is 30 km/h. The beaches at Fanø Bad and Rindby Strand are the most popular beaches for swimming. Farther south, you have the so-called 'Buggy beach' where surfing and Blokart racing is permitted.

North of Fanø Bad is a special area Søren Jessens Sand. The area is car-free and "unofficial" naturist beach.

KITE FLYING

Fanø is the kite flyers' El Dorado. The wide beach and stable wind conditions make Fanø one of the best places in the world for flying kites.

Kite flying is for everyone. There are several shops that sell ready-made kites for both beginners and advanced users. If you feel like building your own kite, Club Fanø arranges kite-building workshops for children all year round

Kite flying is also a sport. Most of the summer season from April to October, kite flyers come to Fanø to set up their kites. These come in all shapes and sizes, from small traditional handheld kites to huge kites that are fixed to the ground.

Every year in June, about 5,000 kite enthusiasts from all over the world gather on Fanø. Many of the participants design and build their own kites, often shaped as people. cartoon characters, animals and, of course, kites. The old tradition of decorating the kites can also be experienced on Fanø.

FOR THE NEW KITE ELIER

You can start by judging the size of the kite compared to the strength of the wind. You can do this before you start flying it by holding the kite up by hand; you can then feel how much the wind pulls the kite.

Connect the kite with the flying line and then, against the wind direction, roll out approximately 40 metres of the line. Get a good hold on the handle and then ask mom or dad to hold the kite up against the wind before letting it go. The kite should not be thrown into the air but rather catch the wind by itself and then rise up. Now you should be able to enjoy the amazing view of your kite against the sky. If the kite starts falling, you should be able to solve this by pulling slightly on the flying line or alternatively by walking a few steps against the wind direction.

BLOKART AND KITE BUGGY

Whirling across the beach in a wind-powered beach racer is awesome! Fanø has one of Europe's best beaches for land sailing. There is a marked area, approximately 3 km south of Rindby, for this type of activity.

There are many different types of land sailing vehicles.

One of which is a small, three-wheeled, open carriage. Some types are powered by a mounted sail, others by a handheld kite. Some vehicles require expansive knowhow, others you can learn to operate in 10 minutes.

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Blokart is the most popular type for rental. It is easy to ride and perfect for beginners. There is also a two-seater version, so even smaller children can experience the rush. It is a sport for all ages, for children aged 8 or 10 years and up to 88-year-olds. Blokart lessons and rental takes place on the beach from ester to October.

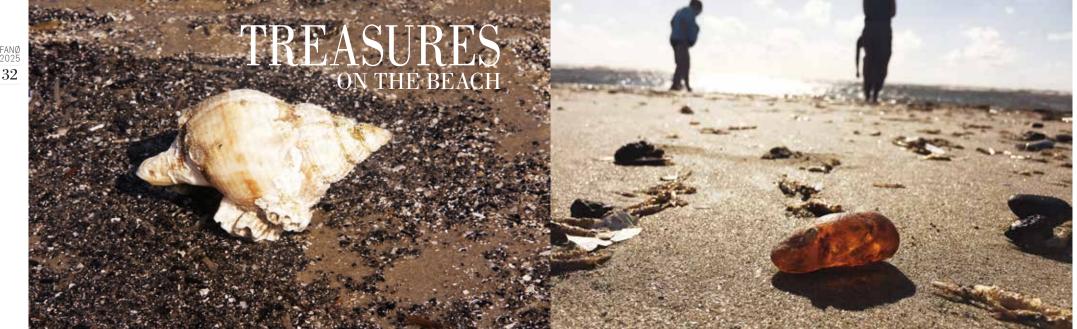
Kite buggy is the name of another very popular type. It is driven with a handheld kite and requires more practice. Fanø attracts some of the best kite buggy drivers.

SURFING

For the beginner, as well as for the more trained surfer who seeks to perfect their style and tricks in the waves, this is a really good place to learn wave surfing.

The ocean at Fanø is easily accessible and user friendly. This means that you can drive all the way down to the water, and, contrary to many other places, you do not have to drag your equipment several 100 metres.

At the beach south of Rindby, there are lessons in both blokart, kitebuggy and kitelandboarding, kitesurfing and one-wheelers



The sea washes up many things on the beach. It is primarily in the winter that the sea is rough and therefore washes up a lot on the beach. The most well-known and sought-after wash up is of course amber, but there are also many other interesting things that wash up on the beach and which are often much easier to find than amber. Shells from cockles and knife clams can be found everywhere on the beach.

THE CONCH IS THE WONDER OF THE BEACH

The conch always brings joy when you come across it at the water's edge. The large, beautifully twisted snail shells are eye-catching and almost exotic in appearance. After a windy weather there can be hundreds of snail shells on the beach in some places, and time goes by quickly when you keep spotting an even more beautiful specimen than the one you picked up a moment ago. The conch is actually a popular collective term for a multitude of species, each with their own name. The conch shells we find in the Wadden Sea are either from the common conch or red conch species. They can both grow to about 10 cm. They can actually be told apart by the shape of the mouth

The red conch has a longer, extended mouth shaped like a gutter, the so-called keel. Both species lav eggs in large clumps, which may collect eggs from several females. The egg lumps are often seen washed up on the beach in a dried state. In total, such egg masses can contain 300.000 larvae. However, many are eaten by predators before they develop into adult snails.

Few people are aware that conch snails are real predators, constantly on the hunt for prey. After all, snails are not fast hunters, but still manage to catch living mussels by surprise and slide the edge of the snail shell between the mussel's open shells, so that these cannot be closed.

A rough tongue is then inserted between the mussel shells, and the conch begins to devour the mussel's soft parts. The Konken also uses a slimy nerve agent that paralyzes its prey. The konken sniffs out its prey and also often feeds on carrion.

The red conch's Latin name Neptunus probably sounds familiar to many. It means god of the sea! The conch

In the winter, you can experience a lot of violet light dots on the beach. It is not creatures from space that have come to visit. It is amber hunters who are looking for amber with their lamps with ultraviolet light. It is clear to see the amber that lights up when the ultraviolet light hits it. The amber lamps have meant that more amber is found than ever on Fanø.

However, it is neither necessary to use amber lamp nor to be on the beach at night to find amber. Also during the day it is possible to find amber. If you have been skilled enough or lucky enough to find a beautiful piece of amber at the water's edge, then you are irrevocably sold to the hunt for amber. Most people are caught by the hunting instinct and an increasing "gold fever" when they discover that it is actually possible to find amber. At the same time, hunting for amber is a great activity, when the weather is not warm enough for sunbathing. Actually, raw and cold weather is best, which is when the amber is swept towards the shore.

Everything, also amber, floats best when the water is cold, and that is why summer is not a good season. During the winter, the weather is naturally marked by stronger wind and more storms, which is when amber as well as other substances are washed ashore.

The secret, as most people know, lies partly in the direction of the wind. On Fanø, the right wind direction is from the southwest, but this will vary from place to place. As well, the wind can also be too fierce!

Only when the tide has pulled back is the hunting ground revealed. Many separate events have to fit together, but this is a large part of the pleasure. It is not a coincidence that the most experienced amber collectors find the best pieces, for they know exactly when and where the conditions are just right. However, there are no guarantees. A good tip is to keep an eye out for seagulls. Where large

flocks of seagulls gather on the shore chances are that mussels, vegetable matter and, very likely, amber have washed up on the beach.

The prehistoric rivers in the Baltic Sea areas have moved the amber from one place to another. Especially the Ice Age glaciers have transported the amber to the North Sea, where storms and currents wash the amber ashore so we can collect it on the beaches. Just like people have done for the last 9,000 years.

A few years ago on Fanø, a German guest found a piece of amber jewellery made in the Stone Ages. The jewellery probably came from one of the now flooded North Sea settlements. The chances of finding such a piece of iewellery or perhaps just a nugget with an embedded insect or leaf naturally increase the fascination for finding and collecting amber.

On Fanø we also notice many years of use of the sea as a landfill. Especially in the winter months, rubbish washes up on the beach, mostly plastic, Fortunately, there are many guests who would like to help us remove the waste. The association Ren Strand Fanø organizes the collection of waste from the sea. In many places, you can receive red bags to collect waste in. The bags are left on the beach and subsequently picked up by Ren Strand Fanø. It is now many tons of waste that we have removed from nature.



The seals are one of the main attractions on Fanø. Here, we can experience the harbour seal and the grey seal in their natural environment. Several places in the sea around Fanø, the seals can be seen basking in the sun on the sandbanks or bopping their heads up in the water.

There are guided tours to Galgerev, a large sandbank, south west of Sønderho, where it is possible to see up to 700 seals. At low tide, you can walk approximately 1.7 km on the seabed all the way to Galgerev. This is a sandbank that isn't flooded at high tide. Between us and the seals is a channel with a width of approximately 100 metres, so the seals are not disturbed by us. Sometimes, a seal will jump into the water and swim closer to see what is going on.

THE HARBOR SEAL IS HALE AND HEARTY

You can experience the harbor seal in all Danish waters. The population is especially large in the Wadden Sea. The harbor seal has, since 1977, been totally protected. Slowly, the seals have grown accustomed to mankind no longer being so dangerous, which means that it is possible to get close to these fascinating animals, thus observing their impressive adjustment to life in the ocean. Although seals are specialized for a life in the ocean, they are totally dependent on being able to reach land where they can rest and feed their young. The many mudflats in the Wadden Sea are therefore as important as the shallow ocean with its rich diversity of food.

After being sought after for many years, the spotted seal was completely protected in 1977. Slowly, the seals have got used to the fact that humans are not that dangerous anymore. This means that today we can get very close to the fascinating animal and observe its impressive adaptation to life in the sea.

Since water is much more difficult to move in than air, animals associated with the sea have a torpedo-shaped body. This of course applies to fish, but also diving ducks, auks and seals. The seals are thickest in the middle of the body, which is the most ideal shape for an animal that must be able to shoot forward quickly in the water. In fact, the seals have more blubber in the middle of their bodies than is actually necessary if it was just a matter of insulation.

There must also not be too much protruding from the

body when the resistance from the water is to be limited. Therefore, we can only see the seals' "hands", called mittens. The "arm" is thus hidden inside the body. On the other hand, the mitt is particularly suitable for swimming. The fur is short and lies close to the body, naturally also to reduce water resistance. The individual hairs are even flat, and not round like in other mammals.

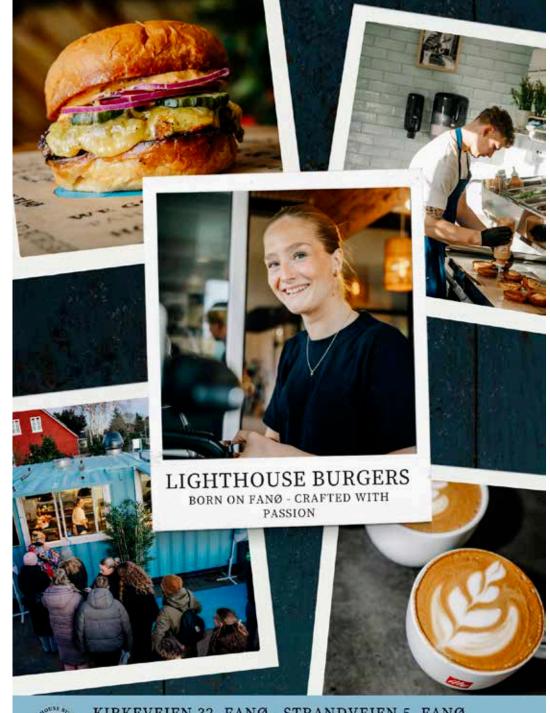
It is precisely when the seals are molting that we have the best opportunities to experience them. Then they go ashore, often in large groups, which in the Wadden Sea can consist of several hundred animals. The harbor seal molts in late summer (July/August).

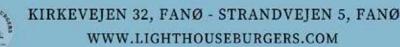
THE GREY SEAL. A GIANT RETURNS

In recent years, people in the Wadden Sea have been able to enjoy the sight of not only the common spotted seal, but also the rarer gray seal. Perhaps the gray seal was more common than the spotted seal in the past. In each falls, the archaeologists find more bone remains from the gray seal at settlements from the Stone Age. But it may also be connected to the fact that it has been easier to hunt the gray seal, which spends a large part of the time on land during the breeding season. in this country, and only with conservation in 1969 did things move forward again.

Today we are visited by gray seals from both the Baltic Sea areas and from Scotland, Germany and the Netherlands. In the Wadden Sea, it is not surprising that the expanding population in the North Sea results in more animals. Over the past ten years, the groups of gray seals on the sandbars have grown, and on Langjord off Fanø it is not unusual to count 50 animals in May when the seals molt. The male weighs up to 300 kilos and is often very dark, almost black. The smaller females may be more difficult to distinguish from the harbor seal, but are nevertheless obvious larger than this and has the gray seal's characteristic cone-shaped head. The head of a harbor seal is more round.

Gray seals give birth during the winter, unlike harbor seals, which give birth around June. No gray seals have yet been born with certainty in the Danish Wadden Sea. But just south of the border, the stock is growing, so you have to expect that to happen soon.





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Fanø is a small island with few opportunities for largescale agriculture and food production. However, the recent decades' focus on slow-food and local foods has given Fanø a boost, so that today the island is known as a place where a number of high-quality niche products are produced.

On Fanø, meat is produced from both cattle and lamb from the island's farm shops, as well as hams, sausages and other charcuterie from the award-winning butcher Christiansen. When we talk about award-winning foods. we must also mention the smoked salmon from the company Fanø Laks.

In recent years, the production of beverages has also started. Fanø Bryghus has been in existence for a number of years and is winning more and more awards and has been named microbrewery of the year in Denmark. Later, an old tradition from the sailing ship era with Rum has been resumed by Fanø Skibsrom. In addition, there is also a smaller production of gin and other types of spirits.

This diversity of good ingredients has also had an effect on the restaurants on Fanø. Today, there are a great many cafes and restaurants that serve dishes with locally produced ingredients, often supplemented with in-house production of various foods.

NATURE'S TABLE IS SET

There are plenty of possibilities for exploring the nature and gathering your own wild-growing produce.

Some of these on Fanø include herbs, berries and flowers. Since Fanø is surrounded by the sea, it is of course also possible to try to catch a fish or two. However, the large amount of seals will compete with those who make the attempt.

Salicornia, or marsh samphire, is a tasty and salty vegetable used as garnish for fish or in a salad. The plant is also found on the east coast and on the beach in Sønderho. In the dune heaths and in the plantations in autumn, you will find a variety of berries and mushrooms. Beware that not all mushrooms are edible. Bring a guide or a guidebook, and if you are in doubt, don't eat it!

LOCAL DISHES

Bakskuld is a salted and smoked flatfish - usually dab, but flounder and plaice are also used - which is fried in a pan and served with rye bread and coffee punch (coffee with schnapps). In the past, it could also be served with a dollop of rice pudding. Bakskuld is served in most restau-

OPEN-FACED FANOE SANDWICHES (Fanøsmørrebrød), these are made of thin slices of bread covered with six different kinds of cold cuts. Each slice is cut into three pieces and the sandwiches are laid on a plate in a layer cake pattern consisting of three layers. There are differences in how they are made in Nordby and Sønderho. In Sønderho there are always sausages and salted meat, cheese and chopped eggs and homemade

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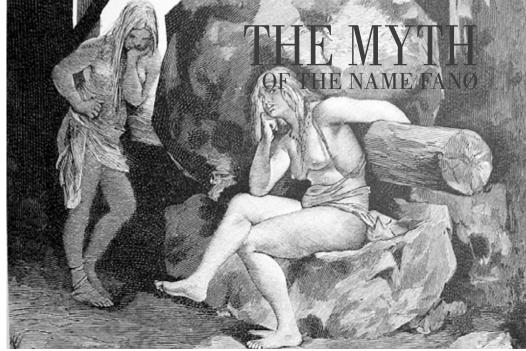
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The 3 ferries that sail to and from Fanø are called Fenja, Menja and Grotte. The names come from nordic mythology.

According to the legend, the sisters Fenja and Menja were giantesses with enormous powers. They were slaves to King Frode, who forced them to grind gold and create good times with the grinder Grotte. However, the sisters did not notice the good times, because King Frode did not grant them more rest than it took "to sing a verse". But the sisters took revenge and brought up the sea king Mysing with an army that defeated King Frode. Mysing, the sea king, traded with salt and he took the sisters and the Grotte on board his ship, where he forced them to grind salt. Eventually the ship got overweight from the salt and went to the bottom. Down on the seabed, Grotte, the grinder, kept grinding on salt, and that is why Snorri Sturluson tells us, the sea is salty.

A more recent version of the legend states that the ship went to the bottom of the sea between Fanø and Mandø, because the sea is particularly salty there, and because the names of the two islands fit with the two sisters. The two ships were named after the two giantesses. The two skippers did the giantesses a favor and as a reward each got a grinder that could grind salt. They took the mills on board, ground salt and sold it in various ports. In a storm the two ships ran aground. One on a sandbar that was named Menjø (Mandø), and the other on a sandbar that was named Fenjø (Fanø). The names came after the stranded ships.

NORDBY AND SØNDERHO

Midway between Nordby and Sønderho you will find a square boulder with the names Nordby and Sønderho carved into it. It is a landmark that marks the old parish boundary between Fanø (Nordby) and Sønderho parish.

From 1742 until 1970, the island was divided into two parishes, each with its own parish council. There are many stories about the rivalry between the 2 parishes. There is therefore no general term for people who live on Fanø. The main road between the two towns also changes name at the old parish boundary, to the north it is called Postvejen, to the south it is called Landvejen. The stone used to stand outside the road itself, but in 2014 was moved to the cycle path so that it became more visible. Fanø's highest point, Pælebjerg, also got its name from one of the milestones that were set up to mark the border between the 2 parishes.

A person from Nordby is called a Fannik, while a person from Sønderho is called a Sønderhoning. A Fannik is also called a Gojer, while a Sønderhoning is called a Japper. Til gengæld er der kun én betegnelse for de personer, der kommer fra Rindby. De bliver kaldt de rødhårede. What is the name of a person (often from Copenhagen) who owns a summer house in Sønderho town? A "Københoning" of course. En tilflytter, som hverken er indfødt eller turist, bliver naturligvis kaldt en Hyerkner.



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Both churches on Fanø are unusual for Danish churches. These are so-called hall churches, where the church space is crosswise and without division into nave and chancel.

The churches and their belongings are not only beautiful, peaceful places, but also reflect Fanø's maritime history, for better or for worse, and they are definitely worth a visit.

SØNDERHO CHURCH

The current church was built in 1782 and rebuilt in 1865, but already as early as 1538 there was a church and cemetery on the same site.

The size of the church is determined by the fact that there had to be room for the entire adult population of the parish (760 seats), where each family had fixed seats. Today there is room for 450 people, more than live in Sønderho. The pulpit along the north wall of the church was, among other things, for use by guests coming from outside. According to legend, the Romanesque baptismal font is a gift from the English king's daughter Thyra, who was rescued on the way to Ribe, to marry Gorm the old.

The set-up and most of the furnishings have been taken over from the old church. The pulpit is from the 17th century, with the basket possibly originating from Ribe hospital's church. The altar is from the beginning of the 18th century. The lectern (now sacristy) was restored in 1764, presumably around the same time when the pulpit on the north wall was erected. Of the 11 chandeliers, 4 come from the old church.

The most striking are probably the 14 naves (model ships), most of them built in the late 1800s. The naval frigate Anna Chatarine Calej from 1747. According to the missing set out, loaded with tea, by a Dutch East India ship. In the north-west corner of the church are located a number of graves. The oldest are from the Sonnichsen family, which in 1952 and 1988 were moved indoors. On the wall hangs the grave memorial of the pirate, Peder Hansen Brinch.

Both the cemetery by the church and Sønderho Ny Kirkegaard, located on the northern edge of Sønderho,



bear the stamp of the island's maritime history. Many sailors are buried there, including people who died far from Sønderho. At the new cementery, there is a memorial to all the sailors who perished at sea. In the old cemetery there are also 4 graves of British and German sailors who perished during the naval battles in the North Sea during the First World War.

NORDBY CHURCH

The current church in Nordby is also built as a replacement for an older church. The original church was located in Rindby, but in 1782 Fanø church was built, as it was called for many years.

The altar and pulpit, both from 1622, are centrally located in the middle of the south wall and is the first thing you see when you enter the church. The baptismal font is an ore font, and probably dates from the latter half of the 15th century. At the corners of the north wall, the nursing chairs are placed, benches reserved for nursing mothers.

There are 2 small later additions, a sacristy in the middle of the south wall and a porch in the middle of the north wall. There was originally room for 700 people, but with the installation of the pulpit, the number was increased to 1000.

The church has 9 naves hanging from the ceiling. These model ships were made between 1700 and 1966. There are both models of fanø island ships and warships. The Fanø barque "Prinsesse Marie" sank in 1910 south of Australia and all 18 sailors perished.

As with Sønderho church, the cemetery is characterized by the maritime past. Close to the main entrance is a memorial to those who died from the brig Klaus of Fanø. In 1897, the ship was on its way from Norway to England, but wrecked on the beach at Fanø a few km. from their home, and all 8 sailors on board perished.

The newer Assistens cemetery in the plantation also contains a number of memorials for fallen sailors, including a large granite obelisk commemorating the 20 sailors who died during the First World War. As well as a commemorative plaque for the 24 sailors who perished during the Second World War.

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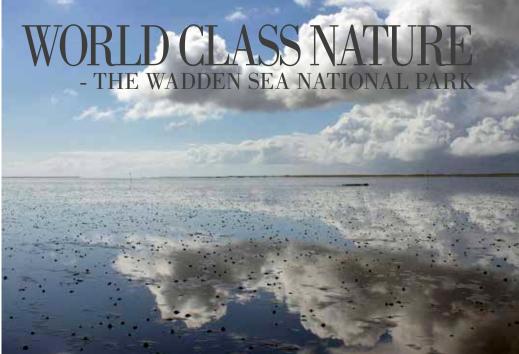
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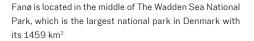
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The Danish part of the Wadden Sea stretches about 100 kilometre from Blåvandshuk in the north to the German border in the south. The Wadden Sea, however, continues through the German and Dutch coastline, and ends in Den Helder in the Netherlands. Altogether, the coastal landscape is about 500 kilometer's long.

About 80 percent of Nationalpark Vadehavet is made up of sea. The land areas take up about 300 km2 and include Fanø, the neighbours Rømø, Mandø and Langli, as well as the Marbæk area north of Esbjerg, the peninsula Skallingen, some river valleys and several marsh areas. Ribemarsken and Tøndermarsken are among the largest marshes. As such, Nationalpark Vadehavet contains some characteristic types of landscape: mudflats, salt meadows, beaches, dune landscapes, heaths, tidal canals and marsh

The Wadden Sea is especially known for the dried-up sea floor. These mudflats, or tidal flats, are revealed during ebb, and the Danish word for this, 'vaden', has given the natural area its Danish name. Vadehavet.

The tidal flows are the big drivers of the Wadden Sea. The difference between ebb and flow is on average 1.5 metres. Twice every 24 hours, a billion cubic metres of water flow in and out of the Danish part of the Wadden Sea through the deeper canals between Sild, Rømø, Mandø and Fanø as well as Skallingen. The flow floods the mudflats, and together with sun light it creates an impressive biological production. It produces microscopic algae which is the main food source for lots of worms, mussels. snails and crayfish.

The mudflats may look dead and monotonous at first glance, but this is not at all the case. Most animals dig themselves into the sea floor and have adjusted to large fluctuations in temperature, currents and humidity. The mass (weight) of live animals in the mudflats is 10 times higher than in the general sea floor.

The large amounts of mudflat animals form the foundation for a rich animal and bird life in the area. As such. about 12 million water birds, geese and ducks pass by the Wadden Sea each year on their journey between their breeding grounds in the north and their winter habitats towards the south. The Wadden Sea is also important as a start of life for many of the fish living in the North Sea. On top of the food chain are seals and humans.











Nationalpark Vadehavet is more than nature. Historically, there are traces of human presence dating back to antiquity, and one of the key places in the national park, Ribe, is Denmark's oldest town. Overall, there is a richness of living culture and heritage within the Wadden Sea area. The folk music and dance from Fanø are a good example. In terms of maritime heritage, the flat-bottomed boats and ships made especially for the shallow waters, along with the tradition for sailing, create an important historical chapter. Another special thing is the architecture of the houses and buildings, found both on Fanø, the other islands and on the mainland.

WORLD HERITAGE WADDEN SEA

The Wadden Sea is not only a national park - it was also given status as World Heritage. In fact, the UN-organisa-



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only 5 years later in June 2014 that the Danish part was appointed World Heritage, too. It is an important point; we share this World Heritage with Germany and the Netherlands. 3 nations - one World Heritage.

UNESCO appointed the Wadden Sea World Heritage because they deemed it of 'unique universal value'. It is also a recognition of the conservation work, that Denmark. Germany and the Netherlands have put into the area. The value of the Wadden Sea lies in the protection of biodiversity as well as the ecological and geolocial processes taking place here.

The landscape is extremely dynamic - and it is the world's largest, connected system of tidal flats.





The playground is situated in the westernmost edge of the plantation. It is a good point of departure for hikes in this characteristic nature area.

The forest playground is a magnificent natural area, a resting and picnic spot and not least a fantastic playground.

From Landevejen, a concrete road from World War II, Mågekolonivej, leads directly to the Forest Playground. However, be aware that in the summer it can be difficult to find a free parking space if you come by car. The road can also be flooded in winter. Alternatively, there is a gravel path from the parking lot at Sønderho GI Fuglekøje, where you then have to walk 800 m to the forest playground through a beautiful landscape.

The playground is a rather large area containing various



playground equipment and wooden sculptures made of materials from the plantation. There are obstacle courses, climbing frames and different games. Often formed like trolls and other fantasy figures, much of the equipment is created by international tree sculptors. In the Sherwood Forest, you can play Robin Hood and his merry men.

In connection to the forest playground, there is a large picnic area with fire pits and barbecue pits, some outdoors and some under a canopy which has an area that seats approximately 50 persons. There are also toilet facilities at the playground.

The forest playground is run by volunteers from Fanø and if you want to support the association's work, there is information on the site about how you can donate an amount for maintenance and renewal of the site.



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THE PIRATE



In the north-west corner of Sønderho church there are a number of old tombstones. One of these is a black tombstone hanging on the wall. It is so weathered that it can be difficult to read the text, but it is Ship Captain Peder Hansen Brinch's gravestone. He was also called the "sea robber", and was a significant figure in Sønderho in the years around 1800.

You can still see the pirate's house on the corner of Digevej and Østerland. The house has a beautiful view of the Wadden Sea, which is probably why he chose to build the house with the gables facing north and south instead of the normal east-west. The house is also built in a different style than the typical Sønderho houses from that time. Something that confirms the stories of the pirate as someone who did just what he wanted. The house has since been renovated several times and first got the 2 distinctive "towers" with the names Helene and Ellen in 1892.

WHY WAS HE CALLED THE PIRATE?

Like most other men from Fanø, he became a sailor, and already at the end of the 18th century he had his own ship, the galley "Andreas". Most other Fanø ships at the time sailed in the immediate area of Northern Europe, but Peder Hansen Brinch also sailed in the Mediterranean. It is his activities in the Mediterranean that gave him the name "The pirate", and also the right to use the French designation "Capitain".

How many of the stories are true, and how many are fiction is unknown. There are several stories that during the French Revolution he made a lot of money smuggling French nobles out of France. Later, "Andreas" was hired as a supply ship for Napoleon's army when he tried to conquer Egypt in 1798. At first it went well, but in a major

naval battle the same year, the English wiped out most of the French fleet. The following year, Napoleon had to flee back to France. During the great naval battle, Peder Hansen Brinch is supposed to have saved a high-ranking French officer and brought him to Marseilles. As a thank you, he was appointed "Captain".

The period 1807-14 was a difficult period due to the war between France and England. Merchant ships were in great danger of being brought up and captured by the English, which also happened to several Sønderho ships. However, Peder Hansen Brinch continued with a very lucrative voyage to Norway with food and avoided being brought up

It was therefore natural that Peder Hansen Brinch became commander-in-chief of the land militia that had to defend Sønderho against possible attacks from the English. According to the legends, the defense was needed only once, an English warship had anchored and sent rowboats towards land. However, they had been discovered and the 3 gun batteries were ready to take up the fight. When the boats approached, Peder Brinch is said to have said the famous words: "In the name of God and the King and at my expense - FIRE!". The bullets did not hit the boats, but it was enough to frighten the English so much that they turned back. Other versions of the story say that an English naval officer was hit by a silver button that had lodged in the cannon along with the cannon ball.

After the war, Peder Hansen Brinch was one of the few who was able to immediately resume merchant shipping, which he continued until his death in 1826. In 2024, one of Peder Hansen's Brinch's descendants, Napoleon Brinch, has had a memorial erected to the colorful pirate.



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FANØ'S CAPITAL





Already on the ferry from Esbjerg you get the first impression of the island and of Nordby. A small, cosy town characterised by the many lovely houses from the 19th century and surrounded by beautiful nature.

The closeness to nature is already felt at the harbour. From the promenade, one can sit and enjoy the many wading birds. Moreover, seals often lie on the small sandbank only 50 metres from the harbour.

In comparison with old photographs, you can see that many of the small streets and paths have not changed significantly for centuries. You shouldn't let yourself miss out on the great experience it is to walk about in the narrow streets in Nordby.

Nordby is also a modern and active little town. With its 2.800 inhabitants. Nordby is the commercial and administrative centre on Fanø. Town Hall, the Health Centre. the Public Library, the Sports Centre, the Tourist Office and other institutions are located here.

On Skolevej is the town hall, housed in the old Nordby school. The new school is located a few hundred meters



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to the west, along with the town's sports facilities.

Directly opposite the town hall is a large building called "Strien". The house is today an assembly hall with a banquet hall and meeting rooms and the center for a wide range of activities. The house is actually called "Industry and Craftsmen's Association House" and was built at the end of the 19th century as a private technical school.

The cultural center "Realen" is also located in the same area. Originally it was a school. Until the mid-1970s, there were 2 tracks for the primary school students after 7th grade - 8th grade or the real class for the most talented bookish students. Now the building is a cultural center with concerts, stand-up comedy performances and the like. On the pavement in front of the Realen, a "Boardwalk of fame" has been created with some of the artists who have performed at the "Realen".

Most shops are clustered along Hovedgaden. Many of the shops are beautifully and tastefully decorated in the old houses from the sailing ship era, which give the shopping street a very special character. Between shops, cafes and restaurants are also normal residences. In recent years,



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the cafe life has really blossomed in Nordby and there are many opportunities for refreshment.

In the summer, large parts of Hovedgaden (tha main street) are pedestrianized, so leave the car in one of the parking lots by the harbor or, best of all, take the bike. The supermarkets also have large parking lots.

FANØ SHIPPING & COSTUME COLLECTION

The museum shows the history of the history of shipping on Fanø, which has been of crucial importance for the island's development. At the exhibitions, you can experience both ship paintings and fine ship models on the same scale 1:48. The building was originally home to the Fanø Shipowners' Association.

On the 1st floor you get an insight into the women's life on



the island and their characteristic Fanø costumes.

Here is also the Riggerloftet. At the rigger loft, the museum's guests can try to make handicrafts out of ropes, well helped by the volunteer sailors. Look for opening hours on www.fanoskibs-dragt.dk

FANÓ MUSEUM

The museum is housed in one of Fang's oldest houses from the end of the 17th century. The museum is designed so that you can get an impression of the living conditions of a skipper family in the 18th and 19th centuries.

Outside the entrance to the museum is a copy of one of the traditional bathing carts that were used on the beach by the guests in Fanø Bad. Look for opening hours on www.fanomuseum.dk



A visit to Sønderho is a "must" when visiting Fanø. It is not without reason that Sønderho won the award as Denmark's most beautiful village. When you walk in the narrow streets with the fine old houses, you feel relegated to another time.

The many old houses are characterized by two things: Firstly, the rough nature along the North Sea coast and, secondly, the wealth the island accumulated during the maritime era from the mid-18th century to the end of the 19th century.

The very special farm buildings and skipper houses in Nordby and Sønderho are usually one-winged, one-storey houses with living quarters and stables in the same building. Due to the freezing west winds of winter, most of the houses' gables are placed east to west, with the stables placed at the end of the building closest to the road / path.

Leftovers of timber frames, small windows and gables reveal the age of the houses. The oldest houses from before 1800 have wooden siding all the way down to the eaves. From 1800 to 1850, it became more popular with wooded siding in the upper gable triangle. From the mid-19th century, the houses were usually built without the wood siding and were sometimes also tiled.

Another characteristic detail is the green, black and white painted bricks above doors and windows (eyebrows). The three colours symbolize hope, grief and life.

Park the car in the parking lot by the church and spend a few hours on a city walk. The many old, well-preserved buildings date mainly from the middle of the 18th century and 100 years onwards, when Sønderho was the dominant maritime town on Jutland's west coast.

The harbor and shipyard area were located in a small, sheltered bay at the northeastern end of Sønderho. But the entrance gradually became sandier and a new island has been created east of Sønderho. Now the entrance has been cleaned up and there is life again at the harbor with small pleasure boats and kayaks

At the southern end of Sønderho, an old sea mark has been



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rebuilt. From "Kåveren" there is a fantastic view of Sønderho, the Wadden Sea and the special small nature area on the southern tip of Fanø, called "Hønen". The old dunes are very vulnerable, so remember to only walk on the marked paths in the area.

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SØNDERHO WINDMILL

In the old days, the Sønderhonings had to use the King's mill in Ribe when the grain was to be ground. But in 1701 the priest was given permission to build the first mill. The current mill was built in 1895, operated until 1923.

HANNES HUS

The house was built in the 1750's. The old environment has been preserved, so one would think that the skipper and his wife had just left home. Here you can see the original



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furniture, the oven box, pictures, the stable for the sheep and the things the skipper brought home from his travels. Opening hours: www.fondengamlesonderho.dk/homeen-

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The spray house is one of Denmark's oldest and best preserved. The building has housed Sønderho's fire extinguisher since 1868. The sprayer is from 1895 and originates from Schackenborg. It is of the same type as Sønderho's original fire extinguisher.

THE OLD RESCUE STATION, Sønderho Strandvej

Is fully equipped with lifeboat and rescue equipment. The boat was pulled to the shore by 6 horses. Furthermore, there are a number of posters with old photographs, descriptions and crew lists.

THE TILE COLLECTION

At the restaurant, Nanas Stue, you can see a large exhibit of Dutch wall tiles, also known as Fanø tiles. The tiles were brought home by the sailors in the 19th century and used as both decoration and to reflect the heat from the houses'



The tiny sandy island on the west coast was once a maritime "superpower" – even with the same population size as we have today.

Fanø has always been a place for sailors. In the 1500s, a small fishing village was located at 'Odden', today known as Nordby. Later, the sailors went to other places to seek employment on larger fishing boats and merchant ships. They went out sailing on foreign seas, thus gaining experience and expertise in sailing the large oceans.

THE 1741 BUY-OUT

Until 1741, Fanø belonged to the Danish Crown. Fanø was administered from Ribe which, at the time, was an important commercial centre and had monopoly on trade. The inhabitants of Fanø were skilled fishermen, but all fish export had to go through Ribe to be declared. Therefore, there was a strong desire to buy out the island and thus be freed from the ties to Ribe.

After an unsuccessful attempt to buy out the island in 1719, another chance arose in 1741, when King Christian VI wished to sell off his possessions to be able to finance various castle building projects. Together, the people from Nordby and Sønderho went to Ribe where the auction took place on July 10, 1741. There are many stories about the tricks that were put into operation to secure the purchase. In the end, the people of Fanø succeeded in buying the island and boost the development that led Fanø to become a maritime island of great significance.

THE MARITIME ERA

In the 1760s, the people of Fanø started their own shipping companies and started building ships on Fanø. It was a difficult task as they had to import all wood from the mainland. The shipyards – in both Nordby and Sønder-

ho – were situated directly on the beach, near the deep waters. It isn't difficult to imagine the life and activity this brought to the island.

The 1850s were the golden age of shipbuilding on Fanø. There were nine shipyards, and all together they employed 100 workers and a number of sub-contractors.

From 1768 to 1896, a total of 1100 ships were built on Fanø – in the beginning a lot of small ships, but gradually they became bigger. From the mid-1860s, the local ship-yards were no longer able to meet the demands. At the same time, the harbour in Sønderho was beginning to have problems with silting.

In the 1880s, the shipping companies went from wooden ships to iron and steel ships, and the last Fanø ship was built in 1896. The size of the ship also made it impossible to use Fanø as harbour. Sailing ships were also replaced by steam ships, and by 1919, all shipping companies had moved to other harbours.

The maritime era brought wealth and inspiration from other parts of the world to Fanø. The many beautiful mansions built by captains are still there to remind us of this.

THE STAFFORDSHIRE PORCELAIN DOGS ON FANØ

In many of the windows here on Fanø, you will see the two porcelain dogs. During the period 1860-1900, the dogs were the souvenir to bring back home from England. And it was expected that every sailor brought home at least one pair.

The dogs always come as a pair, looking towards each other. Traditionally, they symbolize loyalty and security. When they look out of the window, the man of the house is at sea; when they look into the house, he is at home.

At the harbor front in Nordby, you'll find a sculpture with the pair of dogs – made by the artist Poul Isbak.

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ART, CRAFTS AND DESIGN ON FANØ

Throughout the past 100 years and even up to today, Fanø has experienced a large influx of visual artists who have taken up more or less permanent residence on the island. The environment, the motivs and the fine light have had a particularly attractive effect on the painters. In Sønderho in particular, in certain periods one could speak of a whole colony of painters – just like in Skagen. It was, among other things, about Julius Exner, Carl Johan Forsberg, Johan Rohde, August Wilckens, Reinhard Heinemann and August Dohm, whose works are exhibited at Fanø Kunstmuseum.

This attraction is stronger than ever, and Fanø still has an arts colony, e.g. Margit Enggård and Marie Louise Exner.

The basis for the art collection at Fanø Art Museum was created by Ruth Heinemann, who started collecting art from Fanø in the 1960s. In 1992, Fanø Art Museum was set up in Kromanns House, which had originally been a grocer's and ship's provision shop. The collection today contains more than 1,250 works related to Fanø. In terms of time, the collection spans paintings from 1850 to the present day.

The art from Fanø has not been characterized by particular art trends or art associations, so it is more about a number of individual artists who have over time been inspired by the dramatic landscape and the distinctive culture on Fanø. The exhibition thus spans from the earliest depictions of folk life and naturalistic painters, to the more abstract trends that spread after the Second World War. In addition to the permanent exhibition, the museum has 2 halls with changing special exhibitions, also with Fanø and the Wadden Sea as a common theme. See an overview of special exhibitions on the museum's website: www.fanoekunstmuseum.dk

Fanø is also well represented in design and handicrafts. They find inspiration in Fanø's nature. There is also a clear international orientation. It is a wide spectrum of hand crafts that are represented on the island, from knitwear and clothing to jewelry to cast candles. Most workshops and shops are located in Nordby and Sønderho, but the Kunstladen shop in Rindby also offers exciting products.



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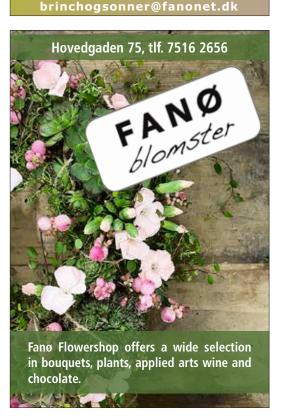


















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Grey bunkers can still be seen in many dunes around Fanø. These are a remnant of the Atlantic Wall, which was a huge defensive system stretching from northern Norway to Spain. This fortification of the coast was started by the Germans during WWII, aiming to prevent an invasion from the Western allies. Denmark was occupied by the German forces from 9th April 1940 until 5th of May 1945 (Bornholm was freed in 1946). The occupation took place without any major acts of war in the country, and was mainly a step in the plan towards conquering the strategically important Norway as well as to control the sail routes going into the Baltic Sea.

The establishment of the enormous defensive system along the entirety of Europe's coast was sped up in order to prevent the coming invasion from allied troops (the UK, Canada and the US). In Denmark this system was especially focused around Hanstholm and Esbjerg as these were considered the most strategically important areas to defend. As a result a larger number of defensive buildings and measurements were constructed around these harbours. From December 1942 until the end of the war, approximately 1300 bunkers were constructed between Ringkøbing Fjord and Ribe.

Due to Fanø's placement at the entrance water way to Esbjerg harbour, around 300 bunkers, concrete roads, canons, anti-armoured vehicle trenches, personnel buildings and more were established. These were mainly placed on the northern and middle part of the island. The fortress strategy consisted of a larger amount of coastal- and air batteries from Pælebjerg (the Pælebjerg position) towards north at the Western Sea-battery and the Grådyb-battery, as well as the Anti-marine Battery

North position (located north of Nordby). In addition to this, coastal defence positions, radar stations and barracks for the troops were built to the west. Furthermore, some 49000 mines as well as large marine minefields were laid out to the west. The German occupational force on Fanø consisted of around 2300 soldiers and of 1275 Danish workers who aided in building the bunkers.

Denmark and Fanø remained a relatively peaceful place to be during the entire war. However, the anti-air batteries whose intended use were to fire at enemy air crafts, came into use multiple times. One such notable time was on the 27th of August 1944 during a day-attack on the military airport by Esbjerg. On this day, 5 allied aircrafts were shot down.

Many of the Atlantic Wall bunkers have been partly or wholly hidden under the sand today, and have as such became part of the dune landscape. A few of the bunkers in the area between Rindby Strand and Sønderho are still fully exposed and free from the dunes on the beach and can be observed up close. Among these bunkers is the well-known "Be Free" bunker, which has been painted with graffiti. A visit to the positions on Halen is definitely also worth taking the time to do. The best place to get up close to the bunkers is at the Fanø North position. This is also where the organisation "Fang in the Atlantic Wall" has their weekly tours around the bunkers. Please be aware that the area is privately owned and that the position is located in a fragile natural area, therefore we kindly ask that respect is given to these facts. Riding a bike or walking out there on the gravel road, Vesternasen, is entirely possible and recommended!





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At the northern end of Nordby is a very special butcher shop, Slagter Christiansen. From the outside it looks like so many other stores, but when you step inside for the first time, you can't help but be surprised and impressed. Who would have thought that you could furnish a butcher's shop with such great aesthetic sense. Plus it's more than a butcher shop. It is truly a temple for a gourmet.

Henrik Christiansen is the name of the man who created this company. "I am the 4th generation in a family of butchers, and have made it a special thing that the family's craftsmanship and pride can be seen in all our fantastic, homemade products."

"I was born and raised in Esbjerg. My Grandfather was a master butcher in Strandgade, and the same with my father. So already as a boy I helped in the shop during the summer holidays and after school". Fortunately, the same did not happen to Henrik, as to his father, with his confirmation money. "It was hard times at the time my father was confirmed, so the money from his confirmation was used to pay the butcher's bills"

"After school, I apprenticed in another butcher's shop, where I also met Rikke, my former wife. Later I worked at butcher Jensen in Storegade in Esbjerg as a journeyman. I had always known that I wanted to be self-employed, so through my father's accountant one day we spotted the

store on Fanø. After some thinking, we took the plunge and opened on April 12, 1994. It was a hectic few days because we got the keys the 9th of april to clean, hold a reception on the 10th, cut meat and be ready for opening for business on april 12th, but we got ready."

"We took over an existing butcher shop that Sonnichsen family had run for generations. Anna Lise and Sonny Sonnichsen took over the business in 1953 after Sonny's father, Sofus Sonnichsen. It was originally located at Hovedgaden 17, but in 1960 they moved it to Hovedgaden 16, where it was also located when we bought it. We fell head over heels for this unusually cozy butcher shop. We were extremely lucky, because Anna Lise and Sonny had built up a really good butcher shop, where quality, craftsmanship and good customer care were paramount. We had something to live up to. We were very nervous at the start, but all our customers welcomed us."

"As production expanded and new products were added, the space became too tight. So when the opportunity arose, they bought the property on the opposite side of the street. There had most recently been a grocer's shop, but the shop premises were empty and the whole building needed a loving hand. An urban renewal project on the property was completed, and in 2008 Slagter Christiansen was able to move into the new premises at Hovedgaden 17, the same place where the butcher's

shop was originally located. However, we also kept Hovedgaden 16 and rented it out to a bakery, but after the bakery closed, we kept it ourselves, and it is now used for storage and ham production".

The craftsmanship is to be seen. On the wall behind the large glass counter hangs countless diplomas that Henrik has won for his shop and his products over the years. And he is not resting on his laurels.

In 2019, Slagter Christiansen was named Denmark's best butcher for the second time. As stated in the comments for the award, "Slagter Christiansen was particularly honored for his cured sausages and high ribs maturing into the big gold medal. The jury commented that it was clear to see that the Fanø butcher has attitudes towards the meat. And also to how it should be treated for an optimal result."

The most recent awards are: Winner in the category Denmark's best grilled sausage at the Danish championchip in Butcher Craftmanship 2023/24.

Fanø Ham has been produced since 1996, carefully selected according to size, color and fat distribution. An inspiration trip to Italy was the starting point. It is dry-salted with sea salt and seasoned with i.a. cloves, garlic and pepper, after which it is smoked. After 6 months of storage, it is silky soft and tender.

On the website www.grydeskeen.dk, the ham receives this assessment from Søren J. Damm: "Butcher Henrik Christiansen's original Fanø Ham is, in my opinion, the only air-dried Danish-produced ham that has a flavor depth and nuance that can compare with the best from Italy and Spain. Here the taste is deep, complex, full of umami, and not just salty to the brim, as is often the case with Danish and German specialty hams. A unique gas-

tronomic product that really only has one superior/ham, namely the Spanish blackfoot ham. Fanø Ham: 8.5 points out of a possible 10."

Most recently, a new ham has arrived, the Wadden Sea ham, which takes 18-24 months to make and has the fermented taste that is also known from the Italian Parma ham. While the Fanø ham is also produced for others, the Wadden Sea ham can only be obtained in the shop on Fanø.

Naturally, Henrik cannot do this alone. Slagter Christiansen currently has 14 employees in production and the shop respectively, plus summer help.

So what does the future hold?

"I am not interested in getting bigger and expanding production, but we will constantly develop and refine our products. And the next generation is about to take place. My son is trained as a butcher in the shop, and we now work together, and once I retire, he can take the business on."























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Fanø's fantastic beach and nature invite you to hike, run and cycle. These options are described elsewhere in the guide. This also applies to the various types of water and beach sports, which are very popular on Fanø.

Fanø Golf Links is one of Denmark's most famous golf courses. As early as 1901, Denmark's first golf course was built in the dunes just north of the old beach hotels. Fanø Golf Links is still Denmark's only true links golf course. The special characteristics of a links course are that it lies close to the coast on sandy ground without trees, and that the original dunes and depressions have been preserved as much as possible. The golf course is one of the few remaining remnants of the resort that was built at the end of the 19th century, with beach hotels, large summer mansions and a summer life for the Danish and German elite.

Paddle tennis is one of the newer popular sports that can now also be played on Fanø. At Rødgaard camping in

Rindby Strand and at the golf course in Fanø Bad, paddle tennis courts have been set up, which can be rented from Rødgaard Camping and Pelargonie House respectively.

In the same place, you can also hire mini golf. Rødgaard camping has 1 pitch, while there are 2 pitches at Pelargoniehuset in Fanø Bad. Another well-known and popular minigolf course is Pirate golf, located at Feldberg Familie Camping in Rindby Strand, which is also responsible for the rental.

Fanø Fodboldgolf is located in Rindby strand. The facility is located at Storetoft just north of Feldberg Familie Camping. There are several other activities available to the site's customers

There are tennis courts both in Fanø Bad, Rindby Strand and in connection with the sports halls in Nordby. In the sports halls in Nordby, there is a Fittnes center and outside a skateboard track, including a halfpipe.

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and photo art all with motifs from Fanø. In addition, the store has a wide range of sustainable products, including clothes from Basic Apparel, organic soaps, jewelry

and bags from local artisans, as well as various quality handicrafts.

- BAKERY DEPARTMENT
- LARGE SELECTION OF WINES
- MEAT FOR ANY OCCASION



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Strandvejen 27 6720 Fanø Tel.: 7516 3120

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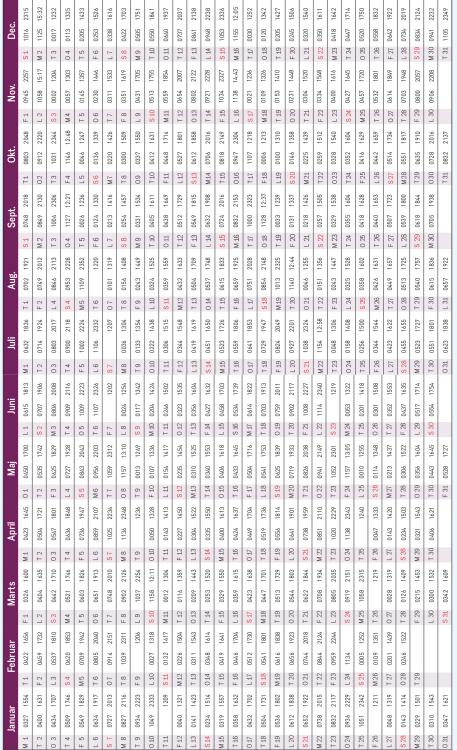




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GOOD TO KNOW (PRACTICAL INFORMATION)

DEFRIBILI ATORS

There are defribillators on the these places:

NORDBY:

On board the ferry Kallesbjergvej 24A

Danibo, Langelinie 9b

Fanø Sports Hall, Stadionvej 11

Fanø Bank, Hovedgaden 51

Lindevei 3

Fanø School, Stadionvei 17

Town Hall, Skolevej 5-7

Medical Center, Vestervejen 1

SuperBrugsen, Hovedgaden 87

Tempo Superspar, Strandvejen 27

Fanø Bad:

Fanø Golfklub, Golfveien 5

Feriecenter Vesterhavet, Strandvejen 59

RINDBY:

Novasol - Dansommer, Vestertoft 2A Life Guard Tower, Kirkeveien 79

SØNDERHO:

Sønderho Bus Station Gl. Byvej 20 Crafts Shop, Sønder Land 8

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Waste management and recycling glass, paper, tins and chemical waste must be sorted and delivered to the Refuse Recycling Centre or put into the recycling containers provided. Medicines should be handed in at the chemist. When in doubt, please contact the personnel at the Recycling Centre.

Opening hours:

Monday: 14.00 - 18.00 / Tuesday: Closed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 0715 - 09.15 and 14.00 - 18.00 Saturday: 10.00 - 14.00

WATER PLANT

The drinking water on Fanø is of highest quality. The water is clean and bacteria free and you can safely drink it directly from the tap.

Fanø Vand A/S: +45 2445 0088

Rindby Vand, vandforsyning: +45 7538 1750 Fanø Bad, vandforsyning: +45 7666 0077

DOGS

According to the law, dogs must ALWAYS be on a leash in the towns, the holiday cottage areal, the dunes and the woods. Dogs must always be on a leash on the beach from April 1 till September 30.

Dog park: At the parking space at Pælebjerg in the Fanø Klitplantage, a six-hectare off-leash dog wood park has been established. Provided that you have full control of your dog, it may run free in the dog wood park.

Please remove droppings: show consideration! Always bring a bag for your dog's droppings. At several places on Fang you find stands with free bags for dog's droppings.

CAMPING

Camping on Fanø is not allowed outside authorized camping sites. Motoring and camping is forbidden in dues and dune plantations.

Tents, caravans, mobile-homes and other vehicles furnished with sleeping arrangements may neither be parked in streets, on roads, at parking and picnic sites, nor on the beach from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m.

ILL OR INJURED ANIMALS

BLM Veterinarian: Hæsset 1, Rindby

+45 2899 7557

Fanø Veterinary Clinic:

Hovedgaden 126, Nordby. Consutation by appointment only. Please call +45 2924 7663 eller bente@fanonet.dk

Veterinary clinics on the mainland:

Esbjerg Animal Hospital, Dortheasvej 27, 6700 Esbjerg, tlf. +45 7512 2167.

Horses: Ansager Dyrehospital, Gartnerhaven 5, 6723 Ansager, tlf. +45 7529 7066. Emergency veterinarian: from 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. plus weekends and holidays. Please call +45 7070 2335.

There is no local wild animal management station. All wild matters is dealt with by the forester or the police.

Fanø Local Police: 114

The Danish Animal Protection Agency also has an emergency phone number: 1812. Further developments in a case will be decided by the Animal Protection Agency. Runaway cats are to be reported to the vet, while runaway dogs are to be reported to the police.

DRIVING ON THE BEACH

It is allowed to drive motor vehicles on the beach. The speed limit is 30 km./h. It is not allowed to let minors and persons without a driver license to drive motor vehicles or let them sit together with an adult at the drivers seat. Violation of these rules will result in penalty fines.

PARKING PLACES IN FANÓ

P-pladser Nordby

Langelinie, Færgestrand 6

Lystbådehavnen, Postveien

Kærnevei 2

Suensonsvei 1

Sprøjthuspladsen

Fanø Hallen, Stadionvej 11

Fanø Skole, Stadionvei 17

Nordby Kirke, Hovedgaden 103

Rådhuset, Skolevei 7

Realen, Niels Engersvej 5A

Ved Skibsværftet 4

Fanø Færgen

Hovedgaden/Strandveien

Niels Engersvei (Vesterveien 37)

Kroslippe 4

Færgevej (Hovedgaden 15)

Strien, Lindevej 5

Buegangen (Lindevej 6)

Museumspladsen, Skolevej 2

PARKING PLACES IN SØNDERHO

Sønderho Kirke, Sønderho Strandvej 2 Busstationen, Landevejen 35

Digevei 17

Hannes Hus, Digevei 31

Doctor's office: Vesterveien 1. Nordby Tel.: +45 7516 3222 / Doctor on call: +45 7011 0707 Police: Skolevej 5-7, Nordby. Tel.: +45 2174 1448 / Police guard: 114









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