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Food, history, arts & craft



ODSHERRED TOURISM AND ACTIVITIES

The Danish region of Odsherred has always been known for its natural beauty.

Situated on the coast of Zealand, Odsherred's rolling inland hills are dotted with forests. At its northernmost point, it tapers into a long finger of land that juts into the Kattegat strait.

The area offers the perfect opportunity for nature-lovers of all kinds, whether one prefers water or land.



The area is rich in Bronze-age archaeological sites and unique geographical features that transport visitors back to the ice-age, when the awesome might of giant glaciers shaped the landscape.

Copenhageners and other citydwellers have been aware of the natural beauty of Denmark's first UNESCO geopark since the start of the last century. In the summertime, the 365-square-kilometre Geopark Odsherred is a top destination for Danes seeking wild and immersive nature holidays.

But Odsherred is not only defined by its breathtaking nature.

In the last couple of decades, it has become a hotspot for food, drink and farm produce. Countless artisans in Odsherred work closely with the land, growing and making products that exhibit the best of the region.

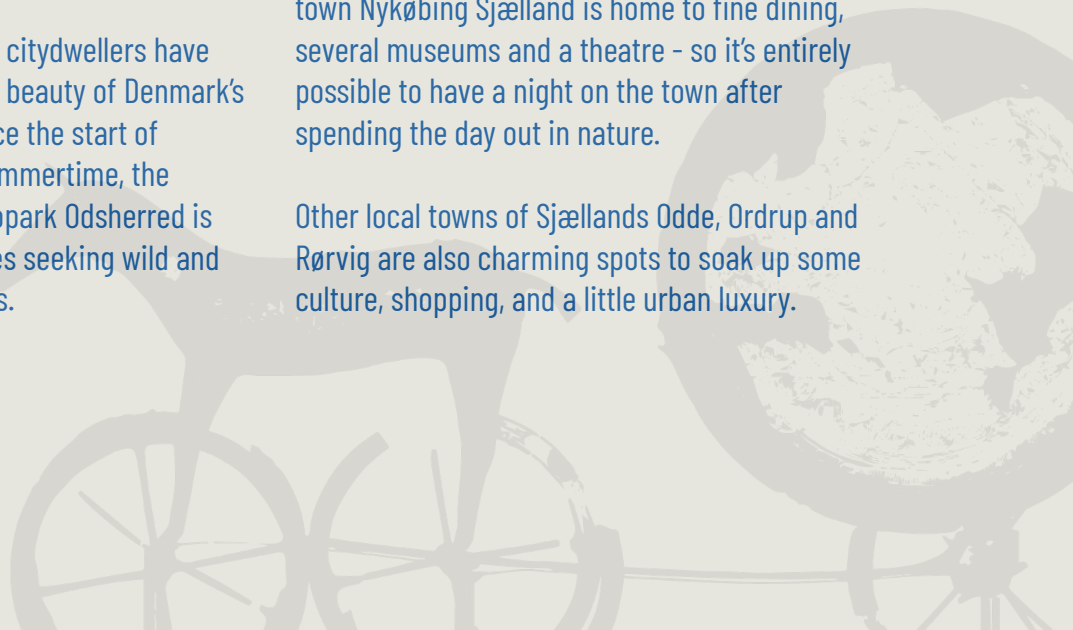
Where the villages were once sleepy hamlets, many new shops are selling wine, honey and vegetables produced in the surrounding fields. Now, visitors can not only cook their evening meal with carrots, beetroots and potatoes grown in their backyard, but also experience tastes and textures that one won't find outside of Odsherred.

The exquisite flavour of the fruit and vegetables in the region is largely due to the superior-quality soil used for farming. This soil not only benefits the plants, but also the ecologically-raised livestock. Animals here lead natural lives roaming on open, grassy fields.

Beyond Odsherred's fields, forests, and waterways lie its picturesque towns.

In the northern part of the region, the largest town Nykøbing Sjælland is home to fine dining, several museums and a theatre - so it's entirely possible to have a night on the town after spending the day out in nature.

Other local towns of Sjællands Odde, Ordrup and Rørvig are also charming spots to soak up some culture, shopping, and a little urban luxury.





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Odsherred Geopark's investment in the cultural side of the region has fostered an exciting atmosphere of modernity where new artistic endeavours and expressions intertwine with tradition and history.

Its thriving array of cultural institutions, artists' studios and galleries are well worth discovering, and visitors often return home with a vase, painting or sculpture made by one of the many local artists.

For those interested in history, Odsherred is particularly enriching. The region is home to a vast number of preserved Bronze and Stone Age sites, which bring vibrantly to life the traces of ancient societies.

Some of Denmark's biggest archaeological treasures were found here. 'The Sun Chariot', for example, is a beautiful example of Bronze Age religious art that is now on permanent display in the National Museum of Denmark.

Elsewhere, the landscape is littered with castles, ruins and old stone-mounts, offering ample opportunity to roam and dive into the history of the region.

What's more, most sites are free to visit, meaning it's simple to plan a flexible and easygoing trip.

For more information, go to [visitodsherred.com](https://www.visitodsherred.com)

” ” *... a perfect getaway for families visiting Odsherred*



SOMMERLAND SJÆLLAND

A delightful family getaway in the centre of Odsherred

The family amusement and water park Sommerland Sjælland, just a short trip from Nykøbing Sjælland, is a perfect getaway for families visiting Odsherred.

First opened in 1985, it has since become a staple Danish destination for family-friendly activities for both young and old. Sommerland Sjælland has never sought to be the biggest and wildest park in Denmark, but has instead crafted a perfect mixture of relaxation and excitement for the whole family.

The park features small rollercoasters, carousels, and other activities in different themed zones, resulting in a diverse park with something for everyone. In the 'Amazonas' area, you can take a gentle ride through the park on makeshift rafts, or embark on treacherous jungle paths bursting with fun challenges.

In the Old American West town of 'Silver City', visitors can look for gold, take a trek on mechanical horses, and experience a 3D western cinema. For the motor enthusiasts of the family, the 'Fart og Tempo' ('Speed and Pace') area offers go-karting and other thrilling rides and activities.



Meanwhile, the 'Blue Lagoon' is the biggest waterpark on the entire island of Sjælland. The park has a sizeable area for the youngest visitors, with carousels, child-friendly rollercoasters and a wide selection of other activities for little ones.

Elsewhere, the park is filled with rides of every type and for every taste. There are 60 different rides and activities in total - enough to occupy several days of fun and exploration. For those who want to stay beyond a single day and see more of the park, Sommerland Sjælland offers holiday home rentals just a short walk from the park.

There are multiple lodgings ranging from classical cabins to forest shelters and prairie wagons. Unwind in a cabin with a private softub spa, or stay in a hobbit-house - an especially popular one with the kids. Meanwhile, tenting and camping options are available for the more outdoorsy types. Park access is included in the booking price for both the cabins and the prairie wagons.

And the furry members of the family are just as welcome. Certain cabins are dog-friendly, and there is even a doggy-playground, so your four-legged companion can enjoy the amusement park, too.

Last, but not least, Sommerland Sjælland offers a diverse range of dining options - from restaurants, to take-away and on-the-go food spots - so you can try something new for every meal. For those who love to take it slow in the mornings, an affordable breakfast-buffet can be added on to bookings.

Over a single day or multiple, Sommerland Sjælland will delight, surprise and treat families, couples and individual visitors alike. This Danish holiday gem will linger in your memory long after you've left.

For more information visit sommerlandsj.dk



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ANNEBERG KULTURPARK

Anneberg Kulturpark started in 2018 with the aim of supporting and providing a framework for a wide range of cultural offerings. Based on beautiful and historic buildings, the former mental hospital, Anneberg Kulturpark has quickly grown to become an artistic, cultural and culinary powerhouse for the entire area and a beacon for tourism and local sustainable food production.

Anneberg Kulturpark includes several exciting companies spanning a Michelin restaurant (MOTA), a pasta restaurant (ERBA) and an artist wing with around 30 artists. Anneberg Kulturpark has its own food hub with local

companies from Odsherred - including Dansk Tang, Deeper Roots microbrewery, Contemphrary Nordic Tempeh, Højsgaard microwinery, and Isøre Ice.

In addition, Odsherred Kulturhistoriske Forening and Nykøbing Sj. Psychiatric Museum are located in Anneberg Kulturpark.

Anneberg Kulturpark is one of five experiential beacons in Odsherred. For visitors who want to spend the night on the grounds, there is a very cozy guest house with 31 rooms, and more hotel concepts are on the way over the next few years.

Wandering around the park, the eye is drawn to the many sculptures that dot the grounds - 17 to be exact. They are made by artists from all around the world, and each is based on one of the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals.

The sculptures are the result of a collaboration between Anneberg Kulturpark, Odsherred Kommune and a local art collective - a perfect expression of the park's philosophy and ambitions.

This is truly a retreat for body and mind, offering time and space to both absorb the creative spirit of Anneberg Kulturpark, and to wander in the fabulous nature of its surroundings.

For more information about Anneberg Kulturpark visit annebergkulturpark.dk



” *... the castle is also a gastronomic experience beyond the usual.*



Claus Henriksen

DRAGSHOLM CASTLE

Dragsholm Castle is a combination of all the finer things in life - perfect for visitors who are seeking a little opulence in Odsherred.

The beautiful medieval castle features a restaurant and a bistro, charming historical interiors and contemporary luxuries that make for an enchanting stay - on par with the best hotels in any European city.

Stepping out of the hotel room, it's easy to feel transported back in time. The castle, built at the start of the 14th century, was originally home to the lords of the surrounding countryside.

It has been restored multiple times throughout history and several important historical events have left their mark on the castle. In 1932, it became public property and, during the Second World War, the occupying German military forces used the castle as a headquarters.

The castle is located outside the town of Hørve, a short walk from the beach and surrounded by rolling fields. The castle grounds are forested, and teeming with life. Lucky visitors might stumble upon deer, hares, foxes and even badgers. The woodland is also home to the castle's pigs, which wander freely in the wilderness.

To experience the castle to its fullest extent, spending the night is a must. The castle offers 41 rooms in varying sizes, each with its own unique interior design. In a sense, each room tells its own story, so every guest will discover something singular. All the rooms feature modern luxuries and share the heritage architectural and design language of the historical surroundings.

A stay at Dragsholm Castle also offers an uncommonly fine gastronomic experience. There are three restaurants on site, one of which has a Michelin-star. Its menu is based on the Nordic kitchen, with ingredients harvested and foraged locally. Dishes are altered seasonally to ensure that guests are always treated to the best natural and sustainable cuisine.

After a long day of exploring the castle's magical history, modern culture, and nature, visitors can relax with an evening drink at the castle bar.

Dotted around the castle are several notable sites and attractions. There are multiple museums in the nearby vicinity that can easily be reached by bike, and the small hamlets and villages in the locality offer many small artisan businesses and other little secrets. Elsewhere, visitors can find golf and watersports to help them make the most of Odsherred's long summer days.

For more information, visit Dragsholm Castle's official website at dragsholm-slot.dk





See you in Odsherred