

2015

## Funen Island Hopping

*Experience the many beautiful islands off the coast of Funen. Enjoy the incredible view of the green hills and charming little towns.*

Funen is a wonderful spot for a cycling holiday. The distances between attractions are short, and beautiful landscapes and friendly people surrounds you along the coast as well as on inland routes. This tour lets you experience both the old royal capital of Denmark, Nyborg, many of the charming islands in the archipelago, the proud maritime capital of South Funen, Svendborg, and the romantic yet modern city Odense, that is the third biggest city in Denmark.

### **Day 1. Arrival in Nyborg**

Welcome to Funen and to old, historic Nyborg, where Danish kings once preferred to stay. The royal castle is the oldest one in the Nordic countries, and for more than 400 years up to 1560 Nyborg was the capital and center of Denmark. Nowadays it is a charming city where you can easily follow the trails back in time.

### **Day 2. Nyborg – Svendborg, 48-54 kms**

Today you pass or visit castles and manor houses on your way to Svendborg. "Holckenhavn Slot" is just outside Nyborg at the beautiful Holckenhavn Fjord. The route goes partly through soft rolling hills inland and along the coast with stunning views to the sea and the islands Thurø, Tåsinge and Langeland until you reach Svendborg. Take a detour to Tåsinge and visit the Valdemar's Castle 7,5 km from Svendborg or take a stroll in the lively and charming city.

### **Day 3. Daytrip to South Funen Islands, 25-30 kms**

Make a nice daytrip to the beautiful islands off the coast of Funen, and adjust the stretch according to your own mood and needs. Sail an hour from Svendborg and visit the peaceful island Ærø, or go by bike across the smaller islands, Thurø, Tåsinge and Langeland. A third option is the island Drejø and Skarsø, which are easily and quickly explored by bike, and enjoy the great beaches and nice island atmosphere before going back to Svendborg.



## Information

**Tour Code:** DKF2 – Funen Roundtrip

**Tour Type:** Individual, self-guided tour

**Duration:** 8 days

**Travel Period:** 2 May – 5 September  
2015

**Start Dates:** Every Saturday  
In July every Wednesday & Saturday  
Other days possible at 6+ persons

**Total Tour Length:** app. 190-280 kms

**Accommodation:** 3\*-4\* hotels

**Route Characteristics:** Easy tour

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#### **Day 4. Svendborg – Faaborg, 30 kms**

The route from Svendborg to Faaborg is one of the most beautiful stretches on the island. Stunning views over the South Funen Archipelago and soft hills lead you past manor houses, romantic half-timbered houses and small villages. The sea has always played an important role in this area, and many cities have proud maritime and trading traditions and a thriving culture. Faaborg is a charming city and the goal for your tour today.

#### **Day 5. Daytrip to the South Funen Islands, 15-40 kms**

If you are in need of a resting day, this is your chance. Spend the day in charming Faaborg or set out to explore other small islands off the coast. Visit Ærø and the small picturesque beach houses if you did not do it from Svendborg, or bring the bikes on the ferry to Lyø or Avernakø with an amazing nature and wildlife. The village on the island full of charming half-timbered houses with thatched roofs makes a wonderful view and great pictures from your trip.

#### **Day 6. Faaborg – Odense, 56 kms**

Outside Faaborg the “Svanninge Bakker” is a hilly, woody area called “The Funen Alps” (128 m). Enjoy the view! At Brobyværk the first weapons factory in Denmark was established in 1648 and here the landscape changes character into a more even plain. You end in Odense – the biggest city on the island of Funen and birthplace of the world famous poet Hans Christian Andersen, whose fairytale spirit still reigns the streets of his city.

#### **Day 7. Odense – Nyborg, 33-48 kms**

On this last day you cycle to Kerteminde, which is a very charming, old fishing town. Go under water at the maritime centre “Fjord & Bælt” or enjoy art at the “Johannes Larsen Museum“. After Kerteminde you ride along the coast to Nyborg. For a shorter route, you may skip Kerteminde and go directly across Funen from Odense to Nyborg.

#### **Day 8. Nyborg**

Individual departure or prolongation with extra days at the beach of Nyborg or in Odense or any other city of Funen ... or perhaps in wonderful Copenhagen?

#### **Travel dates 2015**

- Arrival every Saturday from 2 May to 5 September 2015
- In July it is also possible to arrive on Wednesdays
- It is furthermore possible to arrange specific dates for your arrival. If your group consists of less than 6 people there is a surcharge of € 65 per person, and for groups of more than 6 people this is a free service.

#### **Minimum participants**

Prices are based on minimum 2 persons.



## Services included in the Tour:

- 7 nights in comfortable 3\* and 4\* hotels
- 7 x breakfast (or half board if added)
- Daily luggage transport
- Road book, maps, route descriptions
- Relevant tourist information materials
- Service hotline
- Free parking

## Services NOT included:

- Your transport to and from Nyborg
- Ferries in Funen
- Visits to attractions, museums, etc.
- Drinks and meals other than breakfast (unless half board has been added)

## General Information

- The bike tours are unescorted and self-guided.
- The mileages stated are approximates of the distances for the recommended routes and detours.
- Detailed maps and information is given making it possible to do individual detours without getting lost.
- It is not mandatory to wear helmet in Denmark – however, it is safer to do so 😊



## Rental Bikes and Equipment

For this tour we offer trekking bikes equipped with 21 gears, freewheel and hand brakes as standard. Our bikes are available in different models for both men and women in different frame sizes.

Bikes for children, gators, tag-alongs, children seats, etc. are available upon request.

Also electrically supported bikes with 3, 6 or 7 gears, pedal brakes and high quality, long lasting batteries with capacity up to 60-80 km are available upon request. Electrically supported bikes are available in unisex frames only.

Each bike is equipped with 1 pannier, tools and repair kit, spare tube, pump and 2 locks.



## Accommodation

This tour is available in Cat. A with overnight stays in comfortable 3\* and 4\* hotels.

## Arrival, Departure and Parking

Guests arriving by car can park it (free) at the hotel during the entire tour.

For guests arriving by air the nearest airport is Hans Christian Andersen Airport in Odense. However, international flights are limited.

From Copenhagen Airport direct trains to Odense operate several times per hour.

Both Copenhagen and Billund Airports are international.

## Prices

		Price per person
Price per person in double room	€	678
Price per person in single room	€	933
Half board, 3 courses or buffet dinner	€	320
Bike rental 7 / 21 gears	€	95
Electrically supported bike rental	€	185
Additional night in Nyborg/Odense in double room	€	62
Additional night in Nyborg/Odense in single room	€	98
Additional night in Svendborg in double room	€	70
Additional night in Svendborg in double room	€	107

*All prices are stated in Euros per person.*