

WHY SHOULD I GO TO COPENHAGEN



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THE CITY YOU DEFINITELY
NEED TO VISIT
BEFORE YOU TURN 30 (OR 130)





THIS IS WHY!

Copenhagen is one of our favourite Nordic cities: it's calm and lively at the same time, and nice and close to the water. The city radiates green and sustainable living, with numerous parks, endless bike lanes, and eco-friendly innovations. One example is CopenHill, an energy plant that doubles as an artificial ski slope.

In Scandinavia, almost everything is a bit more expensive (to put it mildly), but with a few tips and tricks, visiting Copenhagen doesn't have to break the bank. Explore the different areas, avoid the tourist crowd at Nyhavn, and head to the neighbourhood of Nørrebro. Take in the scenery and soak up the atmosphere – that's what we love to do too.

Instead of going out for dinner, treat yourself to a fancy lunch and end the day with pizza or other street food. Wait for the sunset at Reffen or blend in with the locals at Dronning Louises Bro. Book a nice hostel, make sure to rent a bike, and visit museums like Ny Carlsberg Glyptotek, the wonderful Designmuseum, or Lykkemuseet (museum of happiness). Make sure to visit the flea markets and vintage shops as well: you're bound to find treasures of a lifetime.

Whether you're into culture, delicious food, or simply the vibe of an energetic city, Copenhagen has it all. Discover it for yourself and let the city inspire you. One thing is certain, you will want to come back for more. And more.

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NEIGHBOURHOODS

Copenhagen is divided into several areas that can be recognised by their names as well as their postcodes. First-time visitors will generally start in København K. But don't forget to explore other areas too. Due to its compact size, you'll quickly get to know the city.

Indre By – København K (1000-1473)

Indre By (meaning: inner city), also known as København K, is the vibrant heart of Copenhagen. This bustling neighbourhood is home to many of the city's most iconic landmarks, including the historic Tivoli Gardens, the picturesque harbour Nyhavn, and the grand Christiansborg Palace. Indre By, with its charming cobblestone streets, diverse shopping options,

and array of restaurants, cafés, and bars is perfect for those who love to explore on foot. Whether you're interested in history, culture, or simply soaking up the urban atmosphere, Indre By has something for everyone.

Vesterbro – København V (1500-1799)

Once a gritty, working-class district, Vesterbro has transformed into one of the trendiest neighbourhoods. Known for its vibrant nightlife, eclectic mix of bars, restaurants, and cafés, Vesterbro attracts a diverse crowd. The Meatpacking District (Kødbyen) is a particular hotspot, bustling with trendy eateries and art galleries. Vesterbro is a lively area that perfectly balances its edgy past with a modern vibe.



Frederiksberg (2000)

Frederiksberg is a charming and quiet residential area, known for its blend of urban design and nature. Although it's an independent municipality, it is entirely surrounded by the city of Copenhagen, which is why it is sometimes referred to as a city in the city, which also characterises its distinctive identity and it perfectly combines the energy of the city with the peace and quiet of the suburbs.

Østerbro – København Ø (2100)

Østerbro is one of the city's more upscale and quiet neighbourhoods, known for its leafy lanes, elegant architecture, and proximity to the beautiful Fælledparken park. It's a family-friendly area with plenty of green spaces, playgrounds, and a variety of

cafés and boutiques. Østerbro offers a mix of modern and historic attractions, including the iconic Little Mermaid statue and the impressive Kastellet fortress. This neighbourhood is perfect if you are looking to enjoy a more relaxed and refined side of the city.

Nørrebro – København N (2200)

Nørrebro is a dynamic and multicultural neighbourhood pulsing with energy. Known for its diverse community, Nørrebro is a melting pot of cultures, reflected in its wide variety of restaurants offering global cuisines. The area is famous for its creative scene, with numerous independent boutiques and art galleries, as well as vibrant street art. Key highlights include the Assistens Cemetery, where famous Danes like Hans Christian Andersen are buried, and the

Superkilen park, a unique public space celebrating global diversity.

Nordvest – København NV (2400)

Nordvest is a rapidly developing area, known for its mix of old industrial buildings and new housing developments. The neighbourhood is attracting a creative crowd, and spots like Flere Fugle – a bakery, café, and pizza place – are popular among the city's creative communities. Rentemestervej is a notable street, blending historical charm and modern innovation, making Nordvest an exciting place to explore.

Sydhavn – København S (2300 & 2450)

Sydhavn, or South Harbour, is an evolving neighbourhood with a blend of contemporary buildings and historical sites, waterfront views and an increasing number of trendy cafés and shops. Sydhavn is

perfect for those looking to experience a less touristy side of Copenhagen, with ample opportunities for waterfront dips and local dining.

Hellerup/Charlottenlund/Klampenborg – Storkøbenhavn (2900, 2920 & 2930)

Located just north of central Copenhagen, the areas of Hellerup, Charlottenlund, and Klampenborg offer a glimpse into the more affluent side of Danish life. Known for their beautiful residential streets, upscale shops, and proximity to the coast, these neighbourhoods are ideal if you are seeking a peaceful retreat from the city buzz. Key attractions include the stunning Bellevue Beach, the scenic Charlottenlund Forest, and the historic Bakken amusement park. These areas provide a perfect blend of nature, luxury, and tranquillity.



PRACTICAL INFO



TRAVEL

Exploring Copenhagen on foot is one of the best ways to absorb the city's charm and beauty. Many of the main attractions, such as Tivoli Gardens, Nyhavn, and Amalienborg Palace, are within walking distance of each other.

Copenhagen is renowned for its cycling culture: it has been named Europe's best biking city multiple years in a row. Cycling offers a unique perspective of the city. Common etiquette includes cycling on the right, raising your hand or fist to signal stopping or slowing down, and indicating turning by sticking out your arm in that direction. Helmets are optional. There are countless shops that rent bikes for a day, or you could download the Donkey Republic bike-sharing app to easily find an orange bike to pick up.

The public transport system is extensive and reliable. You can download the DOT Tickets app to pay for your fares and plan your journeys. It allows you to purchase a City Pass, giving you access to all forms of public transport for 24 hours to 5 days. Alternatively, you can find DOT ticket machines at any station. The metro is in service 24/7. Wait times are never more than 2-4 minutes during rush hour and even in the evening, metros run every 15-20 minutes. There are three lines that overlap at a few stations, so transferring is easy. In 2019, seventeen new stations were added to the metro system. This M3 metro line, also known as the City Circle Line, connects Vesterbro, Frederiksberg, Nørrebro, Østerbro, København K. Another great way to get around the city is the Harbour Bus.

