

# Welcome

Frederiksborg Castle is beautifully situated in Hillerød north of Copenhagen. Surrounded by the Castle Lake, a Baroque Garden and romantic landscaped gardens Frederiksborg Castle is an ideal excursion spot, offering cultural experiences as well as scenic walks and boat tours. Frederiksborg Castle is the largest Renaissance Castle in Scandinavia and often referred to as the Nordic Versailles. It was built in the first decades of the 17th century by King Christian IV and incorporates the finest Renaissance architecture and craftsmanship. Since 1878 Frederiksborg Castle has housed The Museum of National History. A tour through the beautiful rooms of the museum is a tour through 500 years of Danish history, illustrated by

portraits, history paintings, furniture and decorative art. Here you encounter people and events that have shaped Danish history and development from the Middle Ages to the 21st century.

# **Opening hours**

The museum is open all year Monday - Sunday: April 1st - October 31st: 10-17 November 1st - March 31st: 11-15

#### **Museum shop:**

The Museum shop has the same opening hours as the museum. The shop offers a variety of catalogues, books, post cards and souvenirs.

#### **Entry prices**

Adults: 75 DKK Children (6-15 years): 20 DKK Students: 60 DKK Senior citizens (65+): 60 DKK Family ticket: (2 adults + 3 children): 150 DKK Groups (min. 10 persons): 60 DKK pr. person Annual pass: 300 DKK A ticket lasts the whole day.



# **Guided tours:**

From Easter to mid-October a free guided tour is offered to guests at 11.30 am every Saturday and Sunday.

# The Castle Hosts

In the museum's beautiful rooms, you are welcomed by the Castle Hosts. The Castle Hosts are wearing costumes which have a connection to the museum's collection. The costumes are made especially for the museum, and they are created after portraits exhibited at the museum. All the Castle Hosts study history or art history at the university, and the museum's guests can ask them all sorts of questions in relation to the museum, the costume or the portrait, or you can have a photograph taken with them.

You can meet the Castle Hosts from Easter till mid-October in weekends and holidays.

# Audio guides

The ticket box of the museum lends free audio guides in English, German, French, Spanish, Japanese, Italian, Chinese, and Russian. A passport, driver's license, or credit card must be deposited during the loan.

For groups, it is only possible to borrow ten audio guides at the time.

The audio guides are also available to download. There is free Wi-Fi at the museum's entrance area.

# Exhibitions

Several times a year, The Museum of National History at Frederiksborg Castle arranges a series of exhibitions, where the Danish history, the portrait genre or other areas with a relation to the museum are put into perspective and thereby provides a new angle.

# **Danish History for Children**

The Museum of National History has an entire department especially for the children called "Danish History for Children" in the old wine cellar of the Castle. Here you can explore the museum's exhibition for children "Christian the Fourth - child and king" that tells the story of this famous king of Denmark focusing on his childhood. Also, the youngest can write with

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feather and ink, color drawings or dress up in one of the beautiful renaissance gowns for children especially made for The Museum of National History.

The children's department is open every weekend and every day during the holidays from Easter till mid-October.

# How to get here by car

The Castle is a 45-minute drive from Copenhagen. If you are travelling by car from Copenhagen, take the highway 16 towards Hillerød. If you have a GPS set the destination to "Frederiksborg Slot" or "Møntportvejen".

# How to get here by public transportation

You can also travel by public transportation. Take the S-train line E to Hillerød (approximately 40 minutes from Copenhagen). From Hillerød Station you can walk to the castle (15 minutes) through the city or along the Castle Lake.

From Hillerød Station you can also take the local busses 301 (direction: Ullerød) or 302 (direction: Sophienlund) and get off at the stop "Frederiksborg Slot".

# Parking

There are two public parking lots in walking distance to the castle. One is situated by Annaborg and one at the Market Place. Both belong to the principality of Hillerød. Please read the instructions provided at the parking lot before parking your car. Any complaints should be directed to Europark. There are two parking bays, reserved for cars with a handicap permit. The parking bays are located in the outer courtyard (Fountain courtyard), to the right of the gate tower.

Furthermore, the museum offers the opportunity to drop off disabled visitors in the outer courtyard or, by special agreement, in the inner courtyard in order to minimize walking distance.

# Handicapped accessible entrance

A wheelchair accessible entrance is located in the corner to the right of the main entrance. Press the button to call for assistance.

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# Elevator and handicap toilet

There is an elevator connecting all floors of the museum. The elevator is located in the east wing of the museum. The entire museum is therefore available for wheelchair users. The only exception is the Great Hall, where four steep steps lead to the Hall. However, the Great Hall can be viewed from the bottom of the stairs. If the four steps that lead to the Great Hall are manageable, there is a wheelchair available in the Hall.

The handicap toilet is located in the basement (use the elevator in the east wing).

# Loan of wheelchairs

The museum has two wheelchairs, which can be borrowed from the ticket box.

## **Guide dogs**

Licensed guide and service dogs are allowed in the exhibition.

## Lunch and refreshments

For lunch and refreshments, visit Spisestedet (Eatery) Leonora. Leonora is situated in close proximity to the castle in one of its former stables and named after the famous daughter - Leonora Christine - of the castle's builder, King Christian 4.

Here, you can enjoy a traditional Danish lunch, a salad or coffee and cake. In good weather, it is possible to sit outside by the picturesque Castle Lake and enjoy the sight of the majestic castle.

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