



The Rise and Fall of the Vikings

You may know the Viking Age as a time marked by violent raids, murders, and plundering. But it is so much more. It's a story of farmers and warriors, skilled merchants, fierce intrigues, new technologies, a religious revolution, the birth of Denmark, everyday life, slavery, sorcery, remarkable architecture, and craftsmanship. Join the route and explore the harsh yet fascinating world of the Vikings.

On Funen, you can enjoy the following sites:

Vikingemuseet Ladby

In Ladby, you step directly into the dark burial mound of the Ladby King and stand beside the warship intended to carry the king into the realm of the dead. This unique experience can't be found anywhere else in the world. Here, you can also delve into the Vikings' world and see a reconstruction of the Ladby King's ship.



vikingemuseetladby.dk. Vikingevej 123. 5300 Kerteminde



TID - Museum for Odense

The ring fortress Nonnebakken, built by Harald Bluetooth, is now a UNESCO World Heritage site. At first glance, you may not see much, as it is the only fortress within a city—a city that has grown over it. Begin at TID – Museum of Odense to learn its fascinating history before exploring the city in the footsteps of the Vikings.

tidmuseum.dk. Møntestræde 1. 5000 Odense C

Meet the Last Viking King

Cnut the Holy was the last Viking king to try to restore the North Sea Empire. With his death, we bid farewell to the Viking Age. Cnut was canonized, drawing Christians from far and wide to the city to atone for their sins. Visit the king yourself in the cathedral's crypt.



Odense Domkirke. Klosterbakken 2. 5000 Odense C



Other Attractions - Zealand:

Vikingskibsmuseet
vikingskibsmuseet.dk. Vindeboder 12. 4000 Roskilde

Sagnlandet Lejre
sagnlandet.dk. Slangealleen 2. 4320 Lejre

Lejre Museum
lejremuseum.dk. Orehøjvej 4B. 4320 Lejre

Other Attractions - Jutland:

Kongernes Jelling
kongernesjelling.dk. Gormsgade 23. 7300 Jelling

Vejlemuseerne
vejlemuseerne.dk. Spinderigade 11. 7100 Vejle



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Jutland: Glory and Decline

The monumental grandeur of the Viking Age culminates in Kongernes Jelling. It is the place of records: the largest rune stone, longest ship setting, biggest burial mound, and longest bridge in 1,000 years, perhaps only used for 5 years.



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Funen: Graves and Fortress

Experience Denmark's only Viking ship grave and explore the world of the Ladby King. Visit the last Viking king, Cnut the Holy, resting in the crypt of Odense Cathedral, and trace the remnants of the Nonnebakken ring fortress.



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Zealand: Legends and Raids

See how archaeology breathes new life into myths at Lejre Museum. Discover Denmark's largest royal hall, recreated at Land of Legends. And explore the Viking Ship Museum with original Viking ships, bearing witness to daring raids on distant shores.