

COPEN- HAGEN

— *a city for life*

Copenhagen is cosmopolitan and at the same time has a cozy small-town feel. You have the architecture, the Michelin restaurants, and Danish design with its stringent lines. But what is just as striking is the sense of a city with its own laid-back pulse. Here is in fact a city for life.

In Copenhagen you can have that big-city vibe without feeling lost. The city is compact and easy to navigate. Put on your walking boots or do it the Copenhagen way and get on a bike.

You will find a rich cultural scene boasting everything from design and architectural exhibitions to opera, ballet, music and food festivals. The shopping possibilities are endless, and as equally diverse as the cultural scene. Here you can shop for international brands or edgy, affordable Danish fashion.

The Copenhagen restaurant scene is bound to astound you. It boasts both international restaurants and places committed to the new Nordic kitchen with its innovative style and its focus on organic and local produce. The restaurants in Copenhagen are some of the best in the world, yet they are much as the city itself – unpretentious, cozy and creative.

There is a feeling of freedom connected to Copenhagen. Maybe because it is small in a big way. You can ride your bike or go by foot all around the city – and still find yourself in surprising new places.

Copenhagen city areas at a glance - from posh to hipster at a heartbeat



INNER CITY – HISTORIC HOUSES AND EXCLUSIVE SHOPPING
Businessmen and politicians cycling to work at the Danish Parliament or one of the ministries. Chic women heading to Louis Vuitton, Christian Louboutin or the concept store Storm. Or teenagers working their way down one of the world's longest pedestrian streets, Strøget. The inner city of Copenhagen has the highest concentration of attractions, not to mention great shopping, hotels and restaurants. Some of the most important galleries in Copenhagen are situated in Bredgade – close to Amalienborg Palace and Nyhavn with its picturesque houses. If you need a break from the hustle

and bustle, then Kongens Have (The King's Garden) is the place to go. This is where Copenhageners come to relax after work and during weekends. Head over the bridge to the district of Christianshavn – a small village-like area with a distinct charm: old houses facing the canals and of course the free town Christiania, founded in 1971.

FAMILY-FRIENDLY ØSTERBRO

Broad boulevards, parks, delicacies, design shops. The neighborhood of Østerbro is somewhat posh and at the same time completely down to earth. Located north of Copenhagen city center it is one of Copenhagen's most attractive and expensive living areas with

the shops to match. Shop design at Normann Copenhagen, sip a glass of wine at Panzon, eat casual and cool organic food at Gustavs Bistro or chill in Fælledparken – Denmark's largest public park.

MULTICULTURAL NØRREBRO

Vibrant, colorful, casual and young at heart. In Nørrebro you will find trendy bars and small designer shops next door to dodgy dive bars and cheap kebab places. One of the most popular and hyped streets in Copenhagen in recent years is Jægersborggade. Small design shops with everything from ceramics to jewelry and vintage clothes line the streets. If you are into unique design shops, head for Elmegade or Jægersborggade, and if you like antiques, Ravnshøjsgade is the place to go. At Sankt Hans Torv and the streets around it you have several choices for dinner and drinks. And at Assistens Cemetery you can visit the grave of famous Danes or do like the Nørrebro citizens and relax in the park.

POSH FREDERIKSBERG

Frederiksberg is a fashionable part of Copenhagen with excellent shopping opportunities and green spaces. It is more posh than Nørrebro and Vesterbro, and the people living here are usually older and more established. The main street through Frederiksberg is Gammel Kongevej – 'King's Road'. Shopping is great here with many clothing shops as well as sushi restaurants, cafes and delis. The same is true for street Værnedamsvej, which is both cozy and cool. Frederiksberg is also a green oasis with Frederiksberg Gardens, the romantic Garden of the Faculty of Life Sciences and Søndermarken park.

HIP AND VIBRANT VESTERBRO

Vesterbro is both trendy and trashy. The infamous red light district and former working-class area of Copenhagen is actually one of today's hippest areas in the Danish capital. Locals, students, and more well-established couples all head for The Meatpacking District for a night out. With its bars, excellent dining options, galleries and clubs, it is the place to be on a Friday night. The red light district is still here, but the rest of Vesterbro has turned into a trendy place and housing prices have gone up accordingly. Still, there is a chill-out atmosphere not far from what you might experience in Berlin.

Architectural splendor **WATERFRONT ARCHITECTURE**

Danish architecture is going through a new golden age with internationally acclaimed local architects, such as Henning Larsen and BIG, Bjarke Ingels Group, leaving their mark on Copenhagen as well as on the rest of the world. The cityscape in the center of the Danish capital is dominated by four- to six-story buildings rather than the typical glass and steel skyscrapers found in many other capital cities. However, the city is far from an architectural standstill.

Contemporary architectural additions to the city are shooting up everywhere and manage to blend in beautifully with the old historic buildings and palaces.

Water, space, sustainability and light are the key elements in the recent architectural boom in maritime Copenhagen. The emergence of bold urban planning and world-class architecture is found in four key parts of the city, namely Ørestad, Nordhavn, the city center and not least along Copenhagen's waterfront. The proximity to and reflection of the water in these new buildings are common characteristics.

The newest examples of waterfront architecture are The Blue Planet – Copenhagen's brand new aquarium and Northern Europe's largest. With its whirling architecture, it is situated beautifully at Øresund. Another new addition is the M/S Maritime Museum situated in Elsinore in Northern Zealand. Opened in late June and designed by BIG, the new museum houses exhibitions based on interactivity and involvement. They have a strong focus on visual experiences with colorful scenography and immersive film projections.

THE BLACK DIAMOND

An extension to the Royal Library in Copenhagen which houses The National Museum of Photography, a bookshop, eateries and a concert and theater hall.

→ www.kb.dk

M/S MARITIME MUSEUM

Designed by BIG, Bjarke Ingels Group, and with exhibitions based on interactivity.

→ Opened June 2013.

THE ROYAL DANISH OPERA HOUSE

The Copenhagen Opera House is designed by Danish architect Henning Larsen, and a number of Danish artists have contributed to the decor, among them artist Per Kirkeby who has created four bronze reliefs, and Danish-Icelandic artist Olafur Eliasson.

→ www.kglteater.dk

THE ROYAL DANISH PLAYHOUSE

The Royal Danish Playhouse is Denmark's national stage for the dramatic arts. Designed by Danish architect Lene Tranberg, it's a hangout during summer when the café serves cool drinks and food on the deck with a view you can't beat.

→ www.kglteater.dk

THE BLUE PLANET

Northern Europe's largest aquarium, beautifully situated at Øresund and with the architecture to match. → www.denblaaplanet.dk

THE DANISH ARCHITECTURE CENTER

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Copenhagen classics

COPENHAGEN HAS ITS MUST-SEES. ONE OF THEM IS THE LITTLE MERMAID, KNOWN FROM THE FAMOUS H. C. ANDERSEN FAIRY TALE.

Though the statue is small in size, it is one of the most photographed statues in the world, and one of Copenhagen's top attractions. The year 2013 will be no exception as The Little Mermaid celebrates her 100th birthday on 23 August. The Little Mermaid has actually led quite a crazy life, being the victim of vandalism several times – she has lost her head twice, had her arm sawn off, and she has had paint poured on her more than once. However, she is still much loved – by Copenhageners and tourists alike.

If you are a first-timer in Copenhagen, there is no way around visiting the royals – or their residence, that is. Constructed in the 1700's, the Queen's residence Amalienborg Palace is considered one of the greatest works of Danish Rococo architecture. Don't forget to watch The Danish Royal Guards marching from Rosenborg Castle at 11:30 daily through the streets of Copenhagen, and then carrying out the changing of the guard in front of Amalienborg Palace at 12:00. Rosenborg Castle is also a must-see, housing some of Denmark's greatest cultural treasures, not least the Crown Jewels and the Danish Crown Regalia.

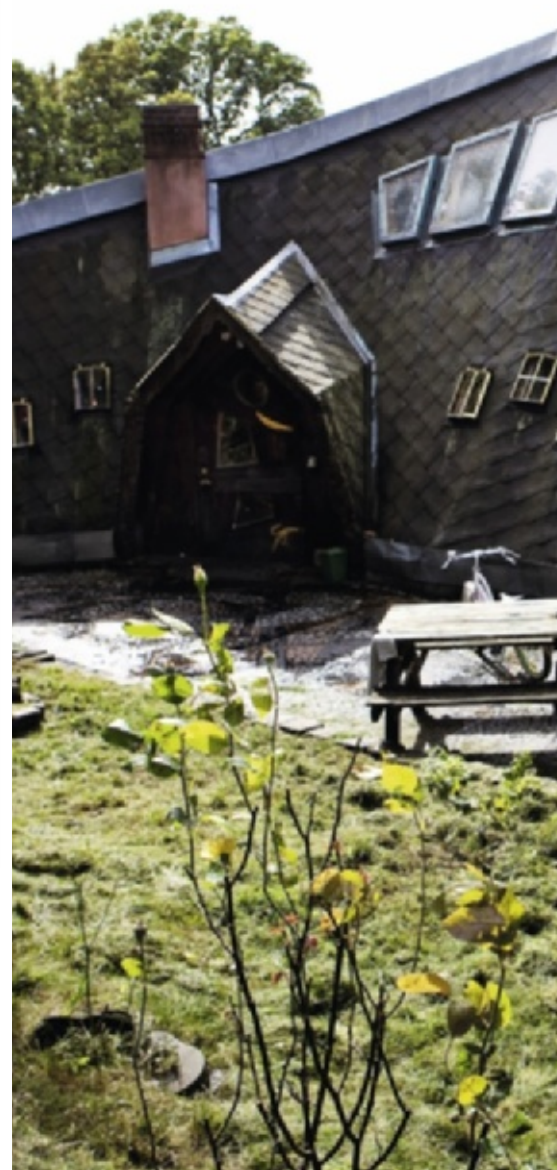
Copenhagen has its share of museums ranging from both classic and contemporary. At the National Museum you can learn about the history of the Danes right down to the present day, and from late June until mid-November 2013, you can catch a big Viking exhibition, which shows the wreck of the longest Viking longship in the world. Another must-see is Ny Carlsberg Glyptotek, an art museum founded by the

inventor of the world-famous Carlsberg beer. It contains two main departments of ancient Egyptian, Greek, Etruscan and Roman art, as well as Danish and French paintings and sculptures from the 19th and 20th centuries. The architectural surroundings are beautiful, and there's a brilliant café at the Glyptotek as well.

Another fascinating combination of beautiful surroundings and equally brilliant art is Thorvaldsens Museum, which became the first public museum in Denmark when it opened in 1848. The museum shows the works of famous Danish sculptor Bertel Thorvaldsen (1770-1844), and the architecture of the place and the sculptures of Thorvaldsen make for a perfect match.

If you're interested in art, both classic and contemporary, a visit to the National Gallery of Denmark is a must. It houses both temporary exhibitions and three main royal collections of painting and sculpture, graphic art and of plaster cast. And speaking of art, there is no way around Louisiana, the leading international museum of modern art located on the Øresund. Its picturesque setting is stunning, and together with the exhibitions and the museum's collection, which includes works by Picasso, Giacometti, Warhol and Klein, it is a must-see when in Copenhagen. It takes approximately 30 minutes to get there from Copenhagen city center by train.

Not sure if one can call it a classic, but still. Freetown Christiania is worth a visit, and one of Copenhagen's big attractions. It was founded in 1971 by a group of hippies who developed their own set of rules, completely independent



of the Danish government. It is a society within a society, but open to the public – even with guided tours. Christiania is a mixture of creatively built houses, workshops, galleries, music venues, cheap eateries and beautiful nature. Do not take pictures in Pusher Street, though.

Tivoli Gardens, one of the world's oldest amusement parks, is situated in the heart of Copenhagen, and is a must for both children and grown-ups. The rides are great, but the atmosphere and the beauty of the place are just as spectacular. There are several good restaurants in Tivoli, as well as the luxe hotel Nimb.

Freetown Christiania has crooked houses, cafés and concert venues.



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World renowned art museum Louisiana is situated beautifully at the Oresund





Copenhagen is cooking

SEASONAL INGREDIENTS. ORGANIC AND INNOVATIVE. THESE ARE SOME DESCRIBING WORDS OF THE COPENHAGEN GASTRONOMIC SCENE TODAY.



Just a decade ago, not many people took notice of the Nordic kitchen, but this has changed dramatically. Copenhagen is fast becoming one of the world's leading gastronomic destinations.

Copenhagen has its own food festival – Copenhagen Cooking – which will be on for the ninth time from 23 August to 1 September. The events are diverse, ranging from pop-up restaurants to cooking schools, street kitchens and Michelin dining.

The essence of the Nordic kitchen is in short the focus on mainly using the natural resources of the Nordic larder. Fresh seasonal vegetables, locally caught fish and cured or smoked fish and meats. These are some of the hallmark ingredients that have helped shape a modern local kitchen with international appeal.

When dining out in Copenhagen today – whether you are into Italian, the Singapore street kitchen or Nordic gastronomy – you will discover a restaurant scene in all price ranges that takes pride in serving fresh ingredients – often with a focus on organic produce. One thing

you can be sure of is the focus on high quality and an unpretentious take on dining out. It might be among the world's best, but you can still dine in jeans and a t-shirt.

Copenhagen has more Michelin stars than any other Scandinavian city (15 to be exact), and also a fair amount of 'Bib Gourmand' restaurants, meaning restaurants of high quality that are also good value for money. Places such as noma, AOC, Relæ, Geranium and Søllerød Kro all hold Michelin stars and are as such the city's finest exponents of high-end cuisine.

Even the traditional smørrebrød (open sandwiches) has gotten an upgrade in recent years. Smørrebrød has been given a revival and is a trendy lunch option for young Danes today. Many of the chefs focus on high quality and innovation of this old traditional lunch, yet keeping the prices reasonable. This illustrates the revolution of the Copenhagen restaurant scene in the last decade – it is all about high quality, seasonal ingredients and innovation.

EATS AND DRINKS

A total of 15 Michelin stars were awarded to 13 restaurants in the city of Copenhagen in 2013 – more than to any other Scandinavian city. Here is a small selection of Michelin restaurants and a guide to some Copenhagen restaurants definitely worth a try. Copenhagen is fast becoming a cocktail and wine bar city in its own right. The settings vary – from the happening district of Vesterbro to the more polished inner city with cocktail bars in old historic houses. And don't forget about the beer. Copenhagen is home to some of the finest breweries in the world.

NOMA **

Book a table at least a couple of months in advance at Noma. Nominated the world's best restaurant in 2010, 2011 and 2012. → www.noma.dk

GERANIUM **

This light, lucid and largely organic kitchen is run by chef Rasmus Kofoed, who is a triple winner of the gold, silver and bronze medals – the most prized chef ever in the Bocuse d'Or competition. → www.geranium.dk

RELÆ*

The restaurant, located in the Nørrebro area of Copenhagen, prides itself on delivering a no-nonsense gastronomic experience. → www.restaurant-relae.dk

KØDBYENS FISKEBAR (MEATPACKING DISTRICT FISH BAR)

Situated in The Meatpacking District, this restaurant serves some of the best fish and shellfish in town. → www.fiskebaren.dk

AAMANNS ETABLISSEMENT

Chef Adam Aamann has a new take on the traditional smørrebød and serves it using largely organic produce. He opened a branch in New York last year to critical acclaim. → www.aamanns.dk

CHIC COCKTAIL AND WINE BARS

RUBY

Visit this unique cocktail bar, housed in a posh canal-side flat in the inner city of Copenhagen. → www.rby.dk

1105

The modern and stylish décor is trendy yet welcoming and you will be sure to enjoy the skilfully crafted top-quality classic cocktails and modern shakes that are served here. → www.1105.dk

LIDKØB

Lidkøb is housed in a beautifully renovated building, located in a backyard on Vesterbro. The décor is relaxed and cozy, drinks superb. → www.lidkoe.dk

VED STRANDEN 10

Just across from the Danish Parliament, you will find this exquisite combined wine bar and wine shop situated in one of the old canal apartments. → www.vedstranden10.dk

Dining in Copenhagen is unpretentious and quality is high.



The traditional smørrebød (open faced sandwiches) are popular among Danes.



Shopper's paradise

COPENHAGEN IS A SHOPPER'S PARADISE, NO LESS.

Whether you are into international brands, vintage thrills or Danish design, it's all here. Ever heard of the term "democratic fashion"? Think Danish fashion and you are almost there. The term covers wearable and high-quality clothes that are affordable to most people. This rings true to most of Danish fashion, which – like Danish design – is functional with an edge.

When you visit Copenhagen, shopping should definitely be on your "to-do list". Not many places can boast of having so many mid-priced shops with modern, high-quality fashion. Ranking among the top ten fashion centers in the world and a cool No. 1 in Scandinavia, Denmark has gradually risen to a high level of fashion consciousness with the designers and shops to match.

Start your shopping trip in the inner city of Copenhagen. At one of the longest pedestrian streets, Strøget, you will find most of the big chain stores, and as you make your way to The King's Square (Kongens Nytorv) the shops get more exclusive – from Gucci to Louis Vuitton. Make sure to visit the beautiful Georg Jensen flagship store. The jewelry and flatware are so exquisite that they have become synonymous with Danish silver.

The real gems, however, are found in the side streets. Try the small streets parallel to Strøget and Købmagergade. Here you will find both



Shopping in Copenhagen is diverse – from vintage to new designers.



vintage, Danish designers such as Wood Wood, DAY, Malene Birger and Henrik Vibskov, concept store Storm, as well as small jewelry and ceramics shops. Streets outside the inner city

that are worth checking out are Istedgade, Gammel Kongevej, Elmegade, Jægersborggade and Østerbrogade. Enjoy, and remember your walking shoes.

GOOD ONES FOR FASHION SHOPPING

STORM

A small scale Collette, this über-cool store has an exclusive collection of clothing for men and women plus art books, sunglasses and skin care products. → www.stormfashion.dk

WOOD WOOD

Casual clothes from Danish design duo Wood Wood as well as international names at this trendy store. → www.woodwood.dk

TIME'S UP VINTAGE

Brace yourselves, vintage lovers! In this superbly curated vintage shop, you will find Yves Saint Laurent, Dior and the likes at reasonable prices. → www.timesupshop.com

OLE LYNGGAARD COPENHAGEN

Celebrating a 50-year anniversary this year Ole Lynggaard Copenhagen continues to make beautiful and innovative jewelry. The family-

run house is one of Northern Europe's biggest fine jewelry workshops.

→ www.oleynggaard.com



Danish design shopping

**FUNCTIONAL. ELEGANT. TIMELESS SIMPLICITY.
DANISH DESIGN IS ALL THOSE THINGS AND MORE.**

It is known all over the world for its clean lines and focus on materials. Some of the prominent Danish designers from the mid-century period, Georg Jensen, Hans J. Wegner, Finn Juhl and Arne Jacobsen, just to name a few, all made Danish design popular on the international scale. A lot of their design has become iconic and is still in use and production – prominent examples are Arne Jacobsen's Egg chair, Hans J. Wegner's Y chair and the Jørn Utzon's world-known Opera House in Sydney.

In the homes of Danes today, you will find Danish design classics paired with modern-day Danish designs and the odd flea market find. It all boils down to it being “hyggeligt,” that is, cozy and livable. Some of today's designers such as Louise Campbell, HAY, Normann Copenhagen, Cecilie Manz and Muuto all draw on elements of Danish design classics. They all have a focus on great craftsmanship and

materials, but they have also incorporated lots of colors and a somewhat humorous approach to their design.

You can shop for Danish design all over the city. In the area of Nørrebro you will find hip Jægersborggade with its small ceramics shops and Ravnsborggade with antiques. If you want an overview of Danish high-end design, head to Illums Bolighus on Strøget, right next to Royal Copenhagen. Here you will find Danish furniture, lamps, ceramics, silver etc. Also on Strøget, visit HAY for colorful new Danish design. On Østerbro, Normann Copenhagen is a must. Situated in an old cinema, it is a huge store with everything from small vases to sofas. Many vintage Danish design classics are sold in prominent stores in Bredgade. In this majestic street you will find many shops with some of the best Danish design furniture in Copenhagen. Prices are steep, but quality is equally high.

THREE GOOD ONES FOR DESIGN SHOPPING

NORMANN COPENHAGEN

Own design as well as carefully selected designer items. You will find everything from clothes and ceramics to sofas in this huge store.

→ www.normann-copenhagen.com

ILLUMS BOLIGHUS

Danish design paradise in this three-story store. You will find both the Danish classics and new names.

→ www.illumsbolighus.dk

HAY

HAY on Strøget collaborates with young Danish designers as well as established making innovative contemporary design at reasonable prices.

→ www.hay.dk

GOOD TO KNOW

A cOPENhagen CARD gives you free access to public transport as well as discounts to several museums, attractions, restaurants etc. More on www.copenhagencard.com

Info on Copenhagen, what to see and do, where to eat etc. plus practical info www.visitcopenhagen.com



THORVALDSENS MUSEUM

Vivid colours and grand architectural design characterise Thorvaldsens Museum, which houses the work of the world-famous Danish sculptor Bertel Thorvaldsen. The conspicuous museum building creates an amazing contrast to the classic white marble sculptures. Free audio guides offer visitors a unique glimpse into the history of the sculptures, for instance the mythology behind Venus the goddess of beauty. Located on The Castle Island (Slotsholmen) in the heart of Copenhagen the museum is very close to popular attractions in the city.

THORVALDSENS MUSEUM, Bertel Thorvaldsens Plads 2, 1213 København K, Tel. +45 33 32 15 32, www.thorvaldsensmuseum.dk



NATIONAL MUSEUM OF DENMARK

Explore the Vikings' globalized world and see the remains of the world's largest Viking ship on display for the very first time. Follow the adventurous Vikings on wild expeditions to four continents, learn more about their religion and beliefs - and see if you have what it takes to become a REAL VIKING. VIKING is the National Museum of Denmark's largest special exhibition on Vikings in twenty years and includes unique objects from museums of twelve European countries. Open 22 June - 17 November 2013 Opening hours: Tuesday-Sunday 10am-5pm - Mondays closed - Free admission.

THE PRINCE'S PALACE - Frederiksholms Kanal 12 - 1220 Copenhagen - Denmark - www.natmus.dk



A NORDIC FAIRYTALE

Frederiksborg Castle is situated in Hillerød, north of Copenhagen. This impressive and unrivalled Renaissance castle was built in the first decades of the 17th century by the legendary Danish King Christian IV and incorporates the best of Renaissance architecture and craftsmanship. The enchanting location in the middle of the Castle Lake, surrounded by the Baroque Garden and romantic landscaped gardens, makes Frederiksborg Castle a unique place for superb cultural experiences, scenic walks and boat tours. Open all days: April-October 10 - 17, November-March 11 - 15

THE MUSEUM OF NATIONAL HISTORY, Frederiksborg Castle, DK-3400 Hillerød, Tel. +45 - 4820 0439, www.dnm.dk



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ARBEJDERMUSEET, The Workers' Museum, Rømersgade 22, 1362 Copenhagen K, Every day: 10-16 www.arbejdermuseet.dk