

Vacation Guide

Denmark, land of a hundred ferry routes

A glance at the map will tell the tourist that Denmark is an archipelago. Jutland, the 24,000 km² peninsula, well over 50% of the country's total area, is connected to Germany by no more than 68 kilometres of land frontier. The rest of the country is made up of 100 inhabited and 383 uninhabited islands.

Ferries invite car riders and drivers to stretch their legs, have a sniff of fresh air, to enjoy the sight of coastlines going and coming, watch the sea-gulls gliding over the mast-top, and to have a refreshment in the ferry restaurant.

Ebeltoft (the shortest sea link with a sailing time of 90 minutes). From Zealand, Funen, Lolland and Falster it is also possible to go by ferry to West Germany. Ports on considered the finest national delicacy.

More than 100 sailing routes

This small nation boasts more than a hundred shipping routes — from services with large luxurious ferries carrying 400 cars on three decks to modest toy-like vessels

which make good their distances in a few minutes.

Tourists who want to go beyond the beaten tracks may find real pleasure in boat trips to Danish islands where perfect rural idyl prevails, no chimney spoils the air, no car perils your life, and where you may find an empty white beach and bathe like Adam and Eve.

Andersen's fairy tales. Among the more "exotic" goals is the triangular Anholt, in the middle of Kattegat. Here you find a windswept unique natural beauty. During the Napoleonic wars, 1809-14, the British navy occupied the island and fortified it as an outpost guarding the sealanes to Denmark and the Baltic.

No wonder that Danes since heathen times have been seafarers. Most famous/notorious were the vikings who traded on or harried distant shores. But their ancestors as well as their descendants have, first and foremost, sailed peacefully to and from their islands. Before the era of aviation, there was no other form of transportation.

Haute cuisine is not often to be found in the restaurants and cafeterias of Danish ferries. But on major routes both hot meals and open sandwiches are available, and, of course, they have full licence. The Danish State Railways, the biggest ferry operator, cater the nation's largest restaurant service.

And ferries of every description still ply their international and inter-island routes, and plough their wakes across sound and belt.

The one-hour "bee-line" cross-ferries from Puttgarden to Rødby gives tourists coming from the south their first chance to become acquainted with Danish food. Here, Danish Rail ferries may serve the big cold buffet. The very number of passengers and the short distance may sometimes lead to rather chaotic scenes around the opulent buffet table as each and everybody tries to pick up his part of the dainties.

Sometimes, Denmark is called "the land of bridges." And it is true that many parts of this dissected country have been spanned by bridges, but still you have to sail in order to reach a great many areas. Ambitious plans have been laid for the construction of giant bridges and tunnels to connect Zealand with Sweden, Germany or Funen. Time will show whether any of these costly projects will ever be realized.

On the Oresund, Danish Rail and private ferries running to Sweden are in permanent competition advertising their kitchens and drinks at tax-free prices. Oresund voyages are often used for birthday parties, mini-congresses or just plain picnics.

Pro et contra ferries

Much has been said in the long discussion pro et contra large bridges, in particular across the 12 mile wide Great Belt, traditional bottle-neck at peak traffic seasons. Industry and trade and the more restless travellers advocate fast, unbroken road links.

The most important ferry service is operated by Danish Rail linking Funen and Zealand by large car- and rail-ferries. Other major routes, most of them private, carry cars directly between Zealand and Jutland: Hundested-Grenaa, Kalundborg-Juelsmønde, Kalundborg-Aarhus and Sjællands Odde.

Those who prefer to move along at a leisurely pace, however, do not object to seaborne-intervals.



For the Danes, like the Romans, it is necessary to navigate. Ferries and other craft may carry holiday makers to places out of the usual.

The east coast of Jutland have ferry connections with Swedish west coast ports. Other passenger/car ferries radiate from Denmark to England, Norway, Finland, East Germany and Poland.

The longest domestic ferry service is from Copenhagen to the beautiful Baltic island of Bornholm, an overnight cruise of about eight hours. Bornholm is renowned for its picturesque towns, the only rocky landscapes in Denmark and, during the summer season, smoked Bornholm herrings. By many tourists, and Danes as well,

The existence of so many islands, fjords and inlets explains why the Danish coastline is no less than 7,400 kilometres. Not every beach is ideal for swimming. But, being an exceptionally low-lying country, she has more natural opportunities for beach-life, sailing and saltwater fishing than probably any other nation of similar size.

Among the most popular holiday islands are those south of Funen, e.g. Aern with its picturesque capital of Marstal, in old days home port of a large wind-jammer fleet. Many waters are dotted with islands of great charms. Some with undulating hills and cliffs. Others flat and fertile with cornfields right down to the sea and tiny villages with thatched, half-timbered houses, living illustrations to Hans

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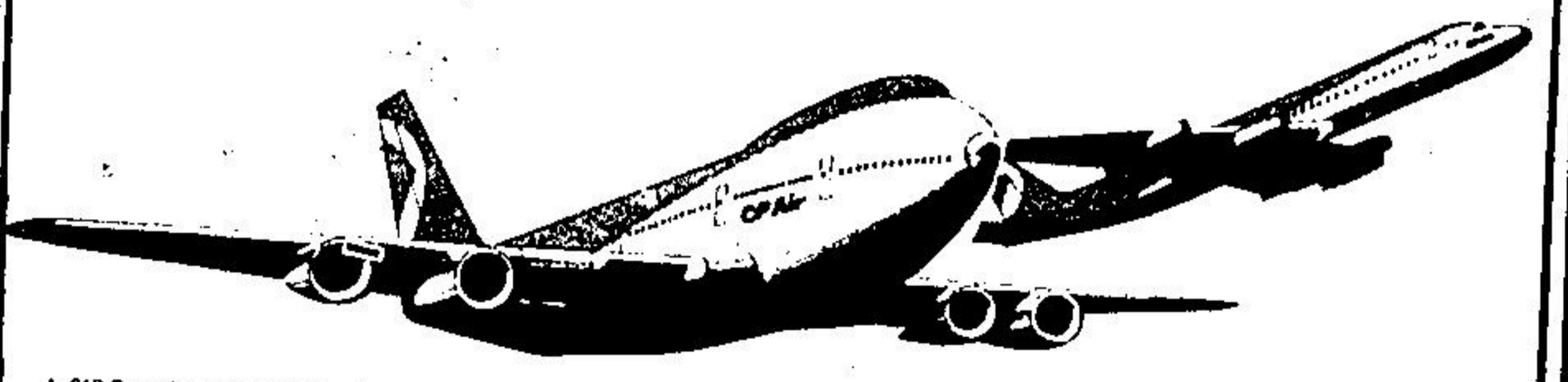
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