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WELCOME TO AARHUS!

In this mini-guide we have included some information which we thought would be helpful in making your stay in Aarhus as pleasant as possible. We have included information in several different categories: Language, prices, payment, transportation, eating, shopping and health.

Aarhus is the second largest city in Denmark with about 250.000 citizens. Although not a large city there are several tourist attractions, among the most prominent Moesgaard Museum, Aros Museum, the old city center, the summer residence of Queen Margrethe and walks along the seaside. For tourist information about Aarhus see this homepage: <http://www.visitaarhus.com/In-int/denmark/tourist-in-aarhus>

Language

Because the general level of education is fairly high among citizens in Aarhus, many people speak English. So when you go shopping and visit restaurants it is safe to assume that people will understand some English and you may ask them to translate menus, prices etc. Some Danes will also speak German, French and/or Spanish, but English is the second language spoken by most Danes.

Prices

Denmark is fairly expensive compared to most other countries. Part of the explanation is that Denmark has a set minimum wage which is quite high (103 kr. per hour = \$18 per hour) and that the general tax level is high (income tax is approx. 50%). Your bills also include a 25 % VAT, which is added to all services and goods.

Payment

Almost all shops, cafes and restaurants accept credit cards. However, some credit cards are not accepted in all shops downtown (you will need to inquire before purchasing). If you need to exchange money, Nordea on "Strøget" exchanges money (although with an added fee). However, make sure that you bring your passport as the bank needs this for their records. It is also possible to make a withdrawal from cash machines (located all around the city center). Visa and Mastercard can be used for withdrawal in almost all cash machines. American Express and Euro Card can also be used in cash machines from "Danske Bank" (the accepted cards are shown on the cash machine).

Transportation

There are several transportation options in Aarhus (and Denmark more generally) that you may choose from:

Car-rental: If you wish to rent a car try Europcar ((+45) 8933 1111), Hertz ((+45) 7033 6699) or Avis ((+45) 7024 7700). Bring your driver's license, passport and credit card when collecting the car. These three companies have a special offer for foreign citizens, where kilometers are free (renting a car for three days will come to 1200-1500 kr. (\$210-260) with insurance, tax and free kilometers).



Buses: The public transportation in Aarhus is generally reliable, although sometimes with minor delays. Most buses will run every 15 minutes during the day hours and every 20-30 minutes during evening hours, stopping around midnight. One trip will typically cost you 20 kr. (\$3.50) as long as you travel within the city center. You pay by entering at the back of the bus (or sometimes the middle) and using the automated pay machine lo-

cated there. If you plan to travel by bus a lot you may consider buying a travel card. Two types of travel cards are available, a regular travel card and an off-peak travel card. The regular travel card (10 bus rides (2 zones) for 140 kr. - approx. \$24,40) can be used at all times. The off-peak travelcard card (10 bus rides (2 zones) for 110 kr. - approx. \$19,20) is only valid Monday-Friday from 11am to 13pm and 18pm-7am, and all day Saturday and Sunday. The travel cards can be bought in most kiosks in Aarhus.

The following buses stop near the University: 1A, 5A, 12, 13, 14, 18, 100 and 200.

See this homepage for more information:

<https://www.midttrafik.dk/in-english.aspx>

Airport bus to/from Aarhus: There are shuttle buses between Aarhus and Aarhus Airport in direct connection with the arriving and departing flights. The trip from the central train station in Aarhus to the airport is approx. 45 minutes. The bus has a stop at Randersvej, close to the University and CON AMORE. The bus' number is 925X.

Tickets are bought on board, and can be paid with Danish kroner, Norwegian kroner, US dollars, English pounds or Euros. Visacard, Mastercard and JCB can be used as well.

Taxis: For taxis contact Aarhus taxi (telephone number: (+45) 8948 4848). An alternative is Dan-taxi (telephone number: (+45) 7025 2525). Please note that travelling by taxi in Denmark is quite expensive (there is a starting fee of 30 kr./\$5.60 and then it is 7 kr./\$1.32 per kilometer).

Bicycles: Many people prefer to use bicycles, and as you may have noticed there are separate lanes for bicycles along many streets in Aarhus. Please look out before you cross these lanes as many cyclists go fairly fast. Also when you enter or leave a bus, look out for cyclists, which are not always prone to stop for bus passengers. If you'd like to travel by bicycle while you are visiting Aarhus you may use the "city-bikes". These are publically available bicycles located at several different bike stands in Aarhus (for example by Radisson Blu and Stakladen). They are easily recognized because the wheels are used for advertizing. It is in principle free to borrow a city bike, but you need a 20 DKK coin for the coin slot. When you return the city bike at one of the predetermined bicycle stations, you will get your coin back. The bike stands are located nearby cultural locations, educational facilities, train stations and intercity bus stops.



See this homepage for more information: http://www.aarhus.dk/sitecore/content/Subsites/AarhusBycykel/Home/English.aspx?sc_lang=da

Walking: If you like to walk, Aarhus is almost perfect. The distances between university, the city center and other places of interest are not too long (from the university to the City Hall it is 3.5 kilometres). Also, Aarhus is considered to be a very safe city, even during evening and night hours you can safely walk in most areas of Aarhus.

Accommodation

CabInn
Kannikegade 14
8000 Århus C
(+45) 86 75 70 00
<http://www.cabinn.com/hotel-i-aarhus/hotel-cabinn-aarhus.html>

City Hotel Oasia
Kriegersvej 27,
8000 Århus C
(+45) 87 32 37 15
http://www.hoteloasia.dk/?gclid=CL_Y5NWZwqsCFcZXmAodDjkJrw

City Sleep-In
Havnegade 20
8000 Århus C
(+45) 86 19 20 55
<http://www.citysleep-in.dk/>

Comwell Aarhus
Værkmestergade 2
8000 Aarhus C
(+45) 86 72 80 00
<http://www.comwellaarhus.dk>

Danhostel
Marienlundsvej 10
8240 Risskov
(+45) 86 21 21 20
<http://www.aarhus-danhostel.dk/>

Radisson Blu Scandinavia Hotel
Margrethepladsen 1
8000 Aarhus C
(+45) 86 12 86 65
<http://www.radissonblu.com/hotel-aarhus>

Scandic Aarhus City
Østergade 10
8000 Aarhus C
(+45) 89 31 81 00
<http://www.scandichotels.com/hotels/countries/danmark/arhus/hotels/arhus-city/>

Eating out

Aarhus has a large number of restaurants and cafes to choose between when eating out. There are Italian, French, Chinese, Greek, Japanese and even one German restaurant. For reasons we do not understand there is only one Indian restaurant. Eating out typically takes place around 7 pm in Denmark and most restaurants close at 10 pm (below suggestions for restaurants and cafes are listed). One popular eating activity in Aarhus (probably due to the large population of students), is having brunch at one of the cafes

along the river side or in the older part of the city center - "Latinerkvarteret". The cafes will typically have a brunch/breakfast menu which is served from 9am - 1pm. They do tend to be a bit overpriced, especially the cafes along the river side, but if the weather is nice, it is possible to have your meal outside. Because the minimum wage is fairly high in Denmark, the people working in the restaurants are not heavily dependent on tip. Thus, in most places you do not have to leave a tip. In very nice restaurants you may wish to leave a tip, but between 3-5 % will be fine. During weekends it is often necessary to make a reservation and it is a good idea at all times, especially if you are more than 3-4 people. Most restaurant and cafes will have a home page where you can study their menu and prices, and also find the contact information.

Danish food

For lunch try "Rådhuscafeen" (Sønder Alle 3, (+45) 8612 3774), which serves "smørrebrød" ("open sandwiches"), a typical Danish lunch item. It basically consists of dark rye bread with a generous topping, which may be different assortments of fish, shrimps, egg, pates and/or different cold cuts. The lunch is relatively heavy as is the case with much traditional Danish food. <http://www.raadhuus-kafeen.dk/english.html>



For evenings try "Nordisk Spisehus" (M.P. Bruunsgade 31, (+45) 8617 7099), where you can choose between 2-3 starters, main dishes and desserts, all based on Nordic ingredients and cooking traditions.
<http://www.nordiskspisehus.dk/>

Kähler Villa Dining, Grenåvej 127, (+45) 8617 7088)
<http://villadining.dk>

Teater Bodegaen, Skolegade 7, (+45) 8612 1917
<http://www.teaterbodega.dk/>

Italian food

Al Dente, Vestergade 48, (+45) 8618 0700
<http://www.aldente-ristorante.dk/>

Marco Polo, Vestergade 15, (+45) 8730 3832
<http://www.marcopolo-aarhus.dk>

Grappa, Åboulevarden 60, (+45) 8612 3343.
<http://www.restaurantgrappa.dk/>

Casa Mia, Tordenskjoldsgade 12, (+45) 8616 6688. (very reasonably priced, and has been given an award for having the best pizza in town)
<http://www.casamia.dk/>



La Forchetta, Vestergade 39 (+45) 8619 0696.
<http://www.laforchetta.dk/menu-engelsk>

Chinese food

Restaurant Chili Hotpot, Ny Banegårdsgade 45, (+45) 8617 1919
<http://www.chilihotpot.dk/>

Great Wall, Banegårdspladsen 2, (+45) 8612 3398
<http://www.greatwall.dk/>

Japanese food

Soya Restaurant, Jægergårdsgade 60 (+45) 8618 4388, or Soya2, Vestergade 36 (+45) 8616 8368
<http://www.restaurantsoya.dk/>

Saichi, Jægergårdsgade 81, (+45) 8780 0008
<http://saichi.dk/index.php>

French food

Restaurant Dauphine, Frederiksgade 43, (+45) 8619 3922
<http://www.dauphine.dk/>

Juliette, Jægergårdsgade 54, (+45) 8621 5454. The restaurant is very popular because of the quality and good prices. Remember to make a reservation.
<http://www.juliette.dk>

Turkish food

Lodos, Nørre Alle 51, (+45) 8613 6364
<http://www.lodos.dk/main.htm>

American/burger

Bone's, Åboulevarden 20, (+45) 8613 2755
<http://www.bones.dk>

Mackie's Pizza & Cantina, Skt Clemens Torv 9, (+45) 8612 3661
<http://www.mackiespizza.dk/>

MASH – Modern American Steak House, Banegaardspladsen 12 (ground floor of the Hotel Ritz) (+45) 3313 9300
<http://www.mashsteak.dk/home>

Jacob's BarBQ, Vestergade 3, (+45) 8732 2420
<http://www.jacobsbarbq.dk/>

The Burger Joint, Åboulevarden 51. (+45) 86 68 67 00 (at this restaurant everything is homemade – they even make their own ketchup and soft drinks)
<http://theburgerjoint.dk/>

Bring your own wine restaurants

Restaurant Olive, Kaløgade 1, (+45) 8612 9561
<http://www.olive.dk/>

Le Basilic, Mejlgade 85, (+45) 8618 2441
<http://www.basilicaarhus.dk/>

Brunch cafés

Castenskiold, Åboulevarden 32, (+45) 8618 9090
<http://www.castenskiold.net/>

Globen Flakket, Åboulevarden 18, (+45) 8731 0333
<http://www.globen-flakket.dk/>

Englen, Studsgade 3, (+45) 8613 0644
<http://www.cafe-englen.dk/>

Ziggy Original, Tordenskjoldsgade 96, (+45) 8610 4322

Ziggy Sidewalk, Åboulevarden 56-58, (+45) 8618 1866
<http://www.cafeziggy.dk/>

Shopping

The city center in Aarhus and especially "Strøget" (the main pedestrian street) have a variety of shops with clothing, sports gear, kitchen ware, books etc. ("Kristian F. Møller" at "Store Torv" sells books in English). Another place to go shopping is the older city center – "Latinerkvarteret", consisting of the following streets: Badstuegade, Klostergade, Volden, Studsgade, Borggade, Rosensgade og Graven. Here you will find smaller and more specialized shops. There is only one in-door shopping mall – "Bruuns Galleri" located at the back of the train station ("Banegårdspladsen"). Shops are mostly open on weekdays between 10am-5.30pm (6pm), Saturdays and Sundays from 10am-3pm (many till 4pm).



Tourism

AarhusCard

The AarhusCard gives you: 30% discount on admission (Den Gamle By and ARoS Aarhus Art Museum). Free admission to 20 great attractions and activities. Free parking at Skolebakken in Aarhus C. Free public transport in central Aarhus. 40% discount on tickets for Great Belt Bridge. Great discounts on e.g. cafés and restaurants.

The AarhusCard is purchased in hotels, camping sites, the central bus station and the Visit Aarhus Office.

For more information:

<http://www.visitaarhus.com/In-int/denmark/see-more-pay-less/enjoy-aarhus-with-an-aarhuscard>

Museums

Den Gamle By (The Old Town)
Viborgvej 2, 8000 Aarhus C
(+45) 86 12 31 88



ARoS Art Museum
Aros Allé 2, 8000 Aarhus C
(+45) 87 30 66 00



Moesgård Prehistoric Museum
Moesgård Alle 20, 8270 Højbjerg
(+45) 89 42 11 00



Steno Museum
C.F. Møllers Allé 2, 8000 Aarhus C.
(+45) 8715 5415



Sculpture by the sea

Sculpture by the sea is Denmark's biggest outdoor sculpture exhibition. The sculptures are presented along Aarhus scenic coast line on the beach, the waterfront and in the forest. The exhibition area is accessible at any hour and free to the public. In the weekends you can join a free guided tour.

The exhibition takes place from the 5th of June to the 5th of July, 2015, at Marselisborg Havnevej 1.

<http://www.sculpturebythesea.dk/en.aspx>



If you need to see a physician during day hours you can call "Lægerne Vennelystparken", Høegh-Guldbergs Gade 6a, (+45) 8620 6300 (just give Aarhus University as your reference). If you need to see a physician after 4 pm, you should call the medical guard at (+45) 7011 3131 (weekdays 4pm-8am, and weekends). If you need to see a dentist, the emergency number is (+45) 4051 5162 (only from 8-9pm).

Emergency call is 112.

If you need to phone the police, the number is 114.

Health

If you experience any health problems during your stay in Aarhus, the following information may be useful.

Pharmacy is called "apotek" in Danish. "Løve Apoteket" at "Store Torv" is open 24 hours, 7 days a week. For prescription medicine you will need prescription from a Danish physician. Non-prescription medicine is available also outside normal opening hours at "Løve Apoteket". There is also a pharmacy close to the conference site, at Banegårdspladsen (the railway station square).