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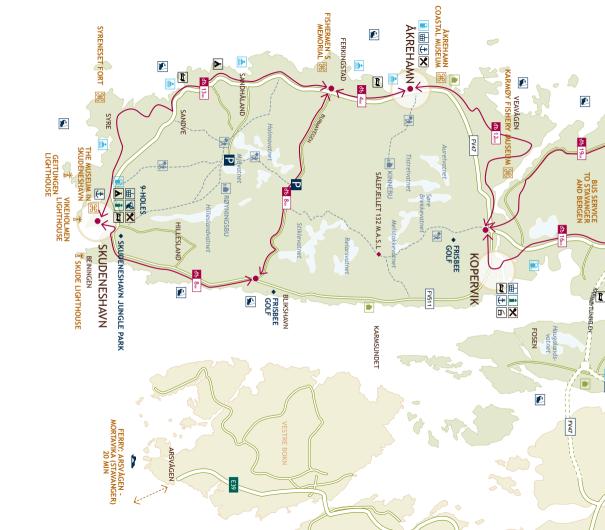


Welcome to Karmøy Homeland of the Viking Kings – Norway's Birthplace

West. With long, silky-smooth, sandy beaches in bays and inlets – and with eternal swells pounding the coast. Real maritime culture, dramatic ocean, silvery fresh fish and a vibrant heritage – that's Karmøy today. With a mix of small hamlets, pleasant shopping centres, historical sights, modern industry – all jostling cheek-to-jowl with traditional agriculture and active fisheries. Walk in the footsteps of Harald Fairhair who first united Norway in a single kingdom. Olav's Church, the Nordvegen History Centre and the Viking Farm, all at Avaldsnes, invite you to relive history. Let these chieftains and kings, with their indentured trells, be your guide. The Church and History Centre offer majestic views of sheltered Karmsund strait.

Come and experience Karmøy – with rocks and skerries protecting us from the raging sea in the





Sarmø

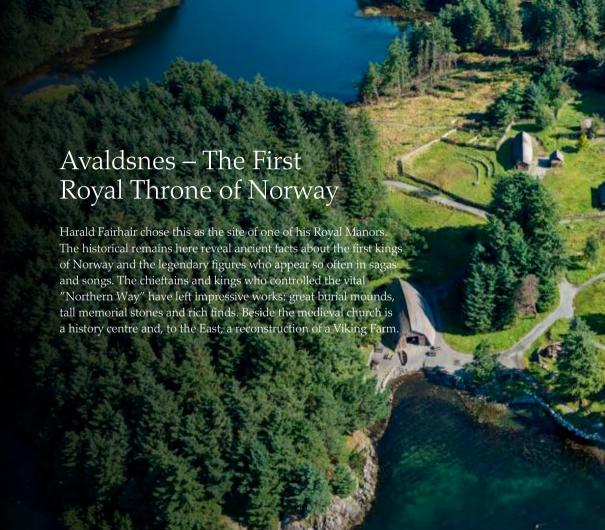
towns on the island: Kopervik, Akrehamn and Skudeneshavn. 132 m. Highest point in municipality: Dyrafjellet 172 m. There are three Coastline: 140 km. Population: 42,334. Highest point on island: Sålefjell

North Sea Road. Karmøy municipality is a part of Visit Haugesund & Haugalandet and the

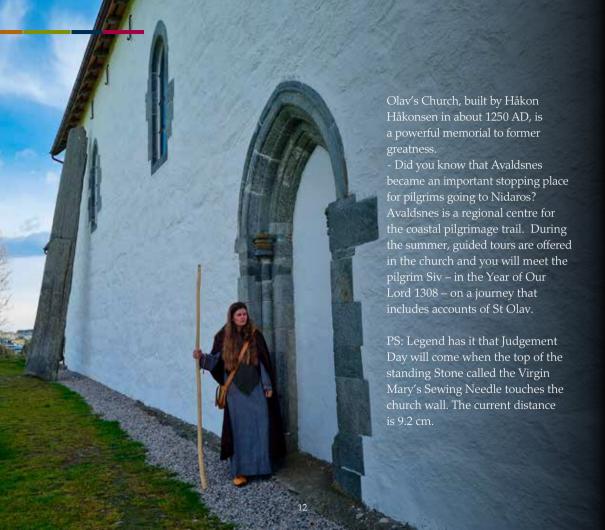


Avaldsnes - Norway's birthplace











Avaldsnes is one of Norway's most important areas of cultural history. In order to best preserve the integrity of the church as well as the historical landscape, most of Nordvegen History Centre is located underground. The entrance area symbolizes 'Mime's Well', which is the fount of knowledge in Norse mythology.



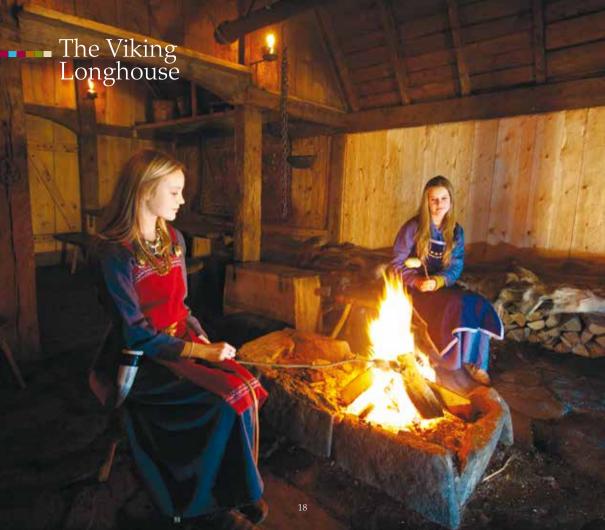














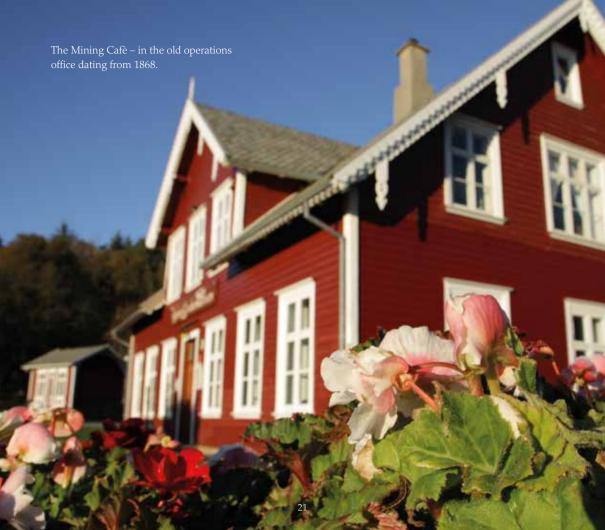
Visnes – momentous industrial heritage

At Visnes you will discover the history of the mining community which in the 1800s had 3000 inhabitants and was the largest and most modern copper work in Northern Europe. Imagine that! – Copper from the Visnes mines was used to protect the very symbol of the USA: The Statue of Liberty!

Take a stroll in the outdoor area and follow the heritage trail to the riding tracks, the garden pavilion, and the ruins of the smelting plant out by the sea. Super fun at the mine playground, on the zipline, with the Eventyrjakten treasure hunt, and as a mine worker at the museum!

The museum is open during the summer and by appointment Tel: +47 406 35 816. E-mail: visnes.gruvemuseum@gmail.com www.visitkarmoy.no







There's no need to go to NewYork to get your picture taken with the Statue of Liberty!



With the Time Travel app you can see film scenes from the mining era.

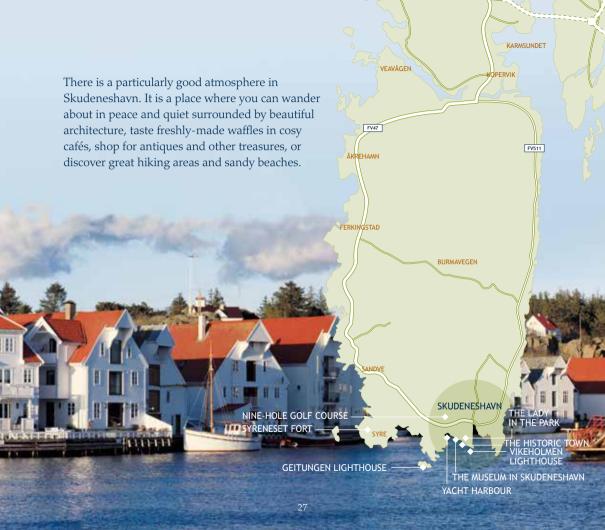


Skudeneshavn



The charming town of Skudeneshavn is located farthest south of Karmøy. The herring-fishing era in the early 1800s brought hectic activity to the town and the tall ship fleet carried home many impulses from many corners of the world. It is exciting to see decorations from the stone temples of antiquity recreated on the small, white wooden houses here. Skudeneshavn is one of Norway's specially selected protected cultural environments.











Experience the seaside with stand up paddle board from Saltråk or a rowing boat and harbour tour. Tickets from the tourist office. You can also rent bikes to explore the countryside.

Enjoy a lovely sauna and a refreshing swim in the sea in the heart of Skudeneshavn! The Bade-Olena sauna and swimming facility is well worth a visit any time of year.

What a feeling, waking up to the sound of the waves in a lighthouse! Try it! Accommodation: 10 www.skudene

Vikeholmen Lighthouse Accommodation: 10 beds and boat included www.skudenes-sjomannsforening.com





Geitungen Lighthouse Tourist Association Cabin (DNT). Accommodation: 35 beds and 8 bedrooms. www.ut.no/hytte/3.1639

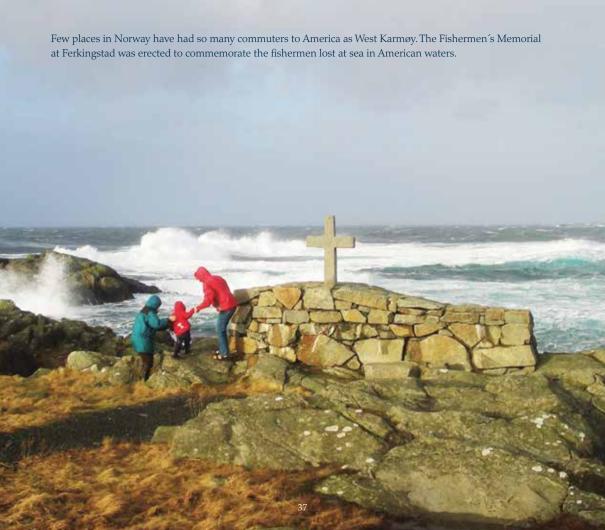








The Great Outdoors!



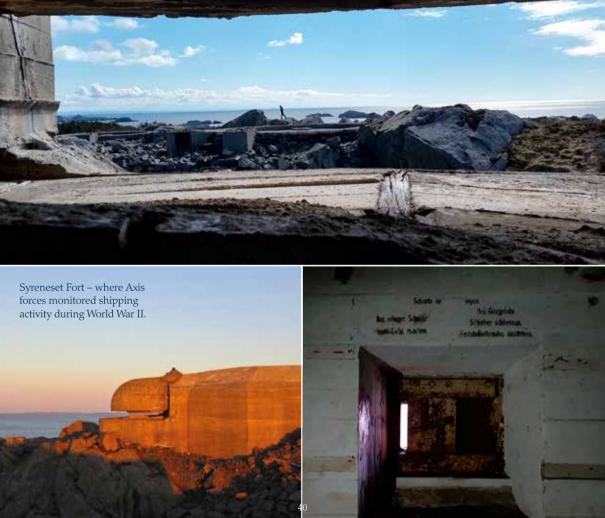


The Karmøy uplands feature varied experiences of the great outdoors and range from cultural and farm lands to heather moors.

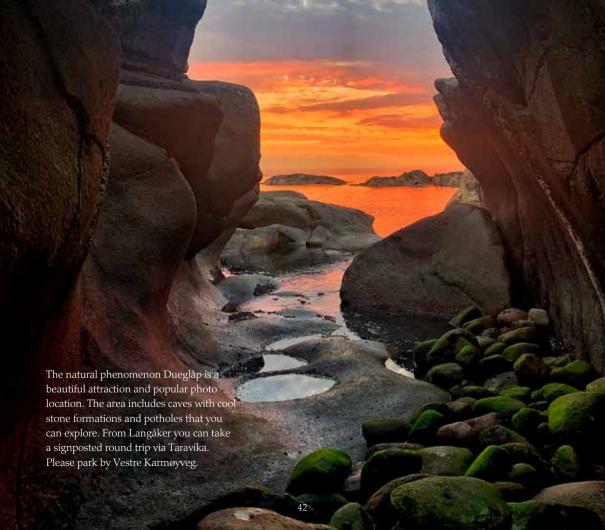
Kinnebu is located with panoramic views towards Åkrehamn and the sea to the west. Open every Sunday from 1 September until the start of the school summer holiday. On South Karmøy, most paths lead to Røyningsbu. Refreshments on Sundays and public holidays. Both cabins are open from 11.00–14.00











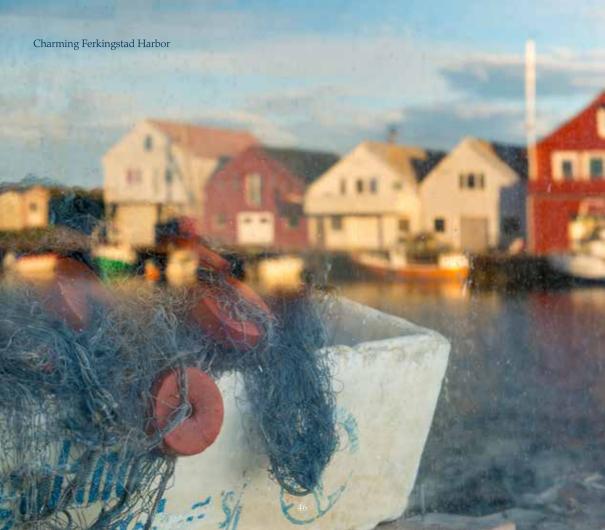


Island hopping

Feøy is known for its skerry-like inlets and canals, idyllic outdoor areas and car-free roads. Scheduled boat service from Haugesund and Torvastad. Contact Feøy Båttransport for guided fishing trips, Tel: +47 99 23 54 99. Viking Adventure offers RIB safaris with island hopping to Røvær and Feøy.









Our sandy beaches







Long, silky-smooth, sandy beaches lining hidden bays and inlets. On a hot summer's day there is nothing to compare with a visit to one of our "costa del sol" beaches. Both Sandvesand, near Skudeneshavn, and Åkrasand, further north, feature white sand and clean, clear water. The ocean is a sight to behold, regardless of the weather.

The beaches on Karmøy are a popular location throughout the year!



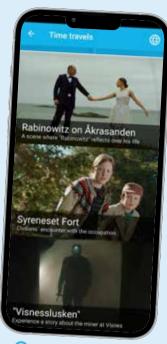


Plenty to do ...

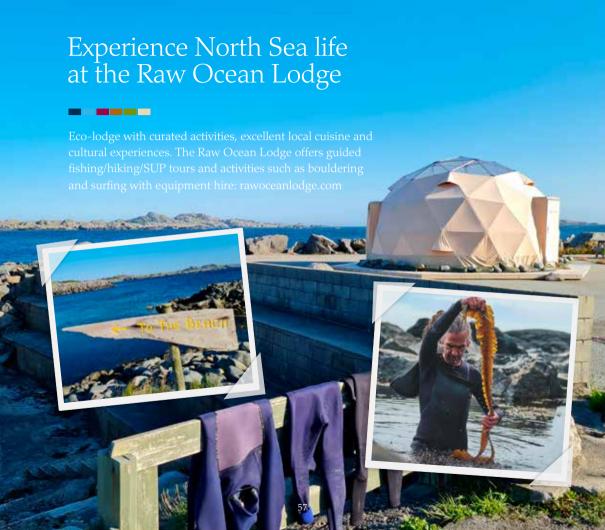




Take the family on an exciting treasure hunt! Treasure hunts are excellent for interactive storytelling in Åkrehamn, Kopervik, Skudeneshavn and Visnes. Treasure hunt and diploma at visitkarmoy.no



Go on a voyage of discovery and watch scenes unfold in the landscape with the Time Travel app.





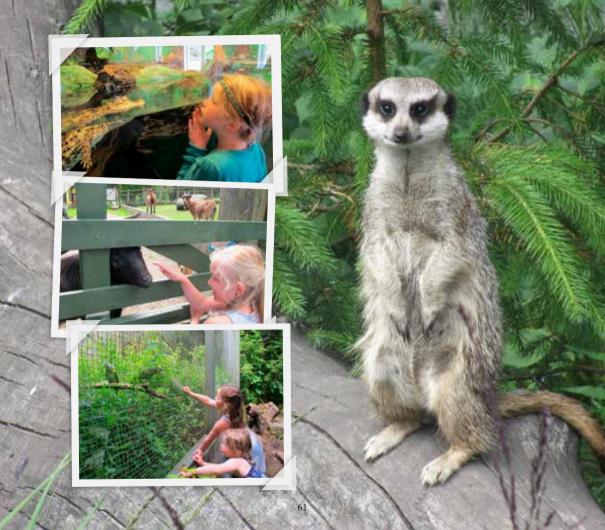


Golf

Karmøy boasts three fine venues for golfers who love the wild appeal of the natural countryside. Close to Skudeneshavn, on Karmøy's southern tip, a nine-hole course awaits you. On the north of Karmøy, to the west out towards the sea, you will find the 18-hole Nordvegen Golf Course. Haugaland Golf Course offers a 6 and 9 hole course.

- ◆ Karmøy Golfklubb, Skudeneshavn, www.karmoy-golfklubb.no
- ◆ Nordvegen Golfklubb, Torvastad, www.nordvegengolf.no
- Haugesund Golfklubb, Kolnes, www.haugesundgolf.no
- ◆ Minigolfen familiepark, www.minigolfen.no
- Karmøy Diskgolfklubb, www.karmoydiskgolf.no







Farm visit to Snurrevarden

At Snurrevarden farm you will meet horses, sheep, goats, chickens, rabbits, guinea pigs, miniature pigs, dogs and cats. Open farm from April to September 10am to 3pm once a month. Activities for the whole family: Horse riding, café and bonfire grill. Group bookings all year.

Smidjebergvn 25, 4265 Håvik. Parking at Lande Gården, Vorrå. Tel: +47 416 86 756. www.snurrevardengard.com



DECEMBER. THE BEST HARVESTS ARE TAKEN IN SEPTEMBER, WHEN QUALITY IS ALSO AT ITS PEAK.



Åkrehamn Coastal Museum

This interesting collection, situated in the fishing harbour, has displays of many artefacts and photographs of bygone days, when Karmøy was a leading fishing hub, and links with America were close. The Nora Wharf is one of just a few salted herring factories still intact.

Open in summer or by appointment Tel: +47 911 78 169 www.akrehamnkystmuseum.no



Festivals





A Viking Festival in the home of the Vikings!

On historical ground at Avaldsnes, you can take part in the biggest Viking Festival in Western Norway. Come and find out what everyday life was like for a Viking and visit a Viking market. See the blacksmith at work and Vikings in combat, listen to Viking music and tales from the sagas, or try your hand at activities such as archery and juggling.

The Viking Festival takes off during the first week in June. www.vikingfestivalen.no





Skude Festival

This is the largest gathering of historic and working boats of all categories in the West of Norway. Marvel at wooden ships, veteran steamers, pleasure yachts, small boats and sailing barques. Mingle with the lively crowd among the market stalls in the town centre. See craftsmen demonstrating maritime skills of yesteryear. Inspect the many art galleries in the Historic Town. Days and evenings celebrate entertainment and festivity, featuring local and international artists.

The Skude Festival is held on the first weekend in July every year. www.skudefestivalen.no



Fishery Days

For a few hectic days in August, salt-specked Åkrehamn is devoted to all things fishing. Dancing on the quayside so the timbers shake, deep-sea angling contests, entertainment, delicious seafood, funfair, stalls and other attractions abound. Come and enjoy a wonderful weekend!

First weekend in August each year. www.fiskeridagene.no

Other festivals ...

Olav's Days in Avaldsnes

The Annual Summer Solstice is celebrated at historical Avaldsnes. Olav's Church provides the centrepiece on this high summer's day. A variety of concerts, seminars, pilgrim wanderings and mid-summer service make up the celebration.

Lasts all of July, but concentrated around St Olav's Day, 29 July. www.avaldsneskirke.no

Visnes Market

Traditional activities for young and old are organised in Fransahagen. A marketday feast, angling competition, sales stalls with locally sourced food, arts and crafts make up some of the attractions. www.visitkarmoy.no

 SILK – Skudeneshavn International Literature and Culture Festival
 The SILK festival is dedicated to the advancement of reading pleasure for people of all ages.
 Strategically spread among the atmospheric venues in Skudeneshavn, the Festival seeks to provide a meeting place for domestic and international authors and their readers.

Held in November each year.

 Karmøygeddon Metal Festival, Kopervik.
 Over 30 different nations are represented in Kopervik this weekend.

www.karmoygeddon.no

Kopervik Festival

Market town Kopervik has its own cheerful festival where fun, circus nouveau, jostling crowds, concerts, funfair, coastal trips, reading circles, folk song and folklore hold sway.

Held in June each year.

More festive events can be found here; visitkarmoy.no/en/kulturattraksjoner/festivaler







TOURIST INFORMATION:

Kopervik Tourist Information Statsråd Vinjesgt 25, 4250 Kopervik Telephone +47 52 85 75 00 E-mail: servicetorg@karmoy.kommune.no Open weekdays: 9-15

Oasen Tourist Information Oasen Storsenter, 5508 Karmsund Tel: +47 52 83 10 89 E-mail: informasjonen.oasen@olavthon.no Open weekdays 10-8, Saturdays 10-6

Skudeneshavn Tourist Information Torget, 4280 Skudeneshavn Tel: +47 52 85 80 00 E-mail: turist@karmoy.kommune.no Open: 1. June-1. September. June-Aug: Mon-Sat 10-4. Sun 12-4. July: Mon-Sat 10-5. Sun 12-5.

Avaldsnes Tourist Information Nordvegen Historiesenter, 4262 Avaldsnes Tel: +47 52 81 24 00 E-mail: post@opplevavaldsnes.no Open: See www.opplevavaldsnes.no

HOW TO GET TO KARMØY?

BUSES AND COACHES:

- Haukeli Express Long distance coaches:
 Daily services between Haugesund and Oslo www.nor-way.no, tel: +47 815 44 444.
- Kystbussen Coastal coaches:
 Daily services linking Stavanger Karmøy Haugesund Bergen www.kystbussen.no, tel: +47 52 70 35 26 / +47 52 70 35 21.
- Local buses in Haugesund area:
 Kolumbus: www.kolumbus.no, timetables tel: +47 815 00 182.
- Airport Shuttle tel: +47 55 23 87 00. www.tide.no

CAR FERRIES:

Daily services between Arsvågen (for Haugesund) and Mortavika (for Stavanger). www.fjord1.no, tel: +47 815 00 182

FLIGHTS:

See Haugesund Airport Karmøys timetables and charter offers here: www.flyhau.no, Tel: +47 52 80 40 60. Direct flights: Aberdeen, Alicante, Malaga, Gdansk, Bergen and Oslo. Summer routes: Copenhagen and Krakow.

ACCOMMODATION:

Avaldsnes:

Park Inn By Radisson, Haugesund Airport Helganesveien 24, 4262 Avaldsnes Tel: +47 52 86 10 90, fax +47 52 84 26 50 www.parkinnhotell.no/hotell-haugesund

Visnes:

Middvik Feriesenter – Holiday Centre Middvikveien 38, 4262 Avaldsnes Tel: +47 913 89 751 E-mail: marinil@online.no www.middvikferiesenter.no

Feøv:

Himatunet, Feriehus Tel: +47 976 92 757 E-mail: dagmat@gmail.com www.feøy.net

Kvalavåg:

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Håvik:

Høyevarde Fyrhotell – Lighthouse Hydrovegen 160, 4265 Håvik Tel: +47 52 71 22 01 / +47 99 28 67 66 E-mail: post@lothesmat.no www.hoyevardefyrhotell.no

Fosen:

Fjordstuene – Fjord Lodges Fosnaveien 420, 5546 Røyksund Tel: +47 41 21 50 80 E-mail: viggo@at-h.no

Torvastad:

Haugesund nature & fishing resort Holiday home and boat Osnesvegen 60, 4260 Torvastad Tel: +47 488 96 193 E-mail: zeissrf@gmail.com

Kopervik:

Parken Terrasse Åmandsgata 1, 4250 Kopervik Tel: +47 52 85 18 88 / +47 413 05 007 E-mail: post@hop.no www.parkenterrasse.no

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Dugneberg B&B – Bed and Breakfast Dugneberg, 4270 Åkrehamn Tel: +47 52 81 62 52 / +47 455 05 303 E-mail: post@dugneberg.com www.dugneberg.com Hedleholmen Feriehytte – Holiday Cabin 4270 Åkrehamn Tel: +47 481 92 965 F-mail: odd-ktok@online no

Sandve:

Sandhåland camping Sandhålandsveien 36, 4272 Sandve www.sandhaaland.no

Skaarnesheimen Raw Ocean Lodge Storaurvegen 70, 4272 Sandve E-mail: booking@skaarnesheimen.no www.rawoceanlodge.com

Skudeneshavn:

Norneshuset Overnatting – Accommodation Nordnes 7, P.O.Box 5, 4280 Skudeneshavn Tel: +47 52 82 72 62 / +47 900 59 007 www.norneshuset.no

Reinertsenhuset – Reinertsen House Søragadå 23, 4280 Skudeneshavn Tel: +47 900 79 242 E-mail: reinertsenhuset@skudeneshavn.no www.skudeneshavn.no

Skudenes camping Postvegen 129, 4280 Skudeneshavn Tel: +47 920 98 565 www.skudenescamping.no Torget Restaurant & Boutique hotel Torget 4, 4280 Skudeneshavn Gamlekaien, Holmen 15, opens in 2022. Tel: +47 915 56 873 www.torgetrh.no

Haugens feriehus – Holiday apartments Korneliusholmen, 4280 Skudeneshavn Tel: +47 90 85 76 58 E-mail: alf.bjarne.haugen@haugnett.no

Gudborg-huset Kirkevegen 30, 4280 Skudeneshavn Tel: +47 928 51 196 E-mail: hilda@falnes.no

Lundin's summer hotel, Søragadå 13 Kirkebygger Jakobsens, Søragadå 31 4280 Skudeneshavn Tel: +47 900 21 382 / +47 901 77 315 E-mail: post@gjestfriehus.no www.gjestfriehus.no

YACHT HARBOURS:

Skudeneshavn and Kopervik all offer facilities for visiting yachts, including showers, WC and laundry. Conveniently located in town centre.

CAR HIRE:

Avis Bilutleie, tel: +47 52 84 02 23 Hertz Bilutleie, tel: +47 52 84 20 00 Sixt Bilutleie, tel: +47 52 84 32 00 Europcar Bilutleie, tel: +47 52 83 04 50 Budget, tel: +47 52 84 02 23

TAXI SERVICES:

Karmøy Taxi, tel: +47 52 85 80 80 Haugaland Taxi, tel: +47 52 81 81 81 Haugesund Taxi Centre, tel. +47 52 80 80 80

CAMPER SERVICES:

Caravan disposal: CircleK Station in Skudeneshavn, Skudenes camping and Esso Station in Avaldsnes.

General stores: Local convenience stores are found in Skudeneshavn, Åkrehamn, Kopervik, Avaldsnes, Norheim and many villages.

KARMØY LEGEVAKT: +47 52 84 49 50

YACHT REFUELLING:

Torvastad:

Lorentz Storesund & Sønner AS, tel: +47 52 81 44 70

Kopervik:

Kopervik Bensin og Storkiosk AS (Shell), tel: +47 52 85 06 04

Røyksund:

Røyksund Mekaniske Verksted AS, tel: +47 52 83 66 43

Skudeneshavn:

Skude Fryseri AS, tel: +47 52 84 65 55

Åkrehamn:

Åkrehamn Trålbøteri AS, tel: +47 52 84 45 20

