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INTRO

Copenhagen—the capital of Denmark in Northern Europe, known for its colorful buildings, castles, and parks, as well as for smørrebrød and cinnamon rolls—is an ideal destination for a city break.

A long weekend (3–5 days) gives you plenty of time to experience Copenhagen’s main highlights and get a good sense of the city.

The Danish city is served by several European airports and can also be reached by boat from neighboring countries. From the airport, you can take the M2 metro line directly to the city center—the Kongens Nytorv stop—in just 15 minutes.

Copenhagen’s sights are easily accessible on foot, but the metro and bus network is also well-developed. Multi-day passes are a good value here.

You can take a day trip from Copenhagen to the Swedish city of Malmö.

A trip to Seville is especially nice in the summer, though you can also catch nice days in the spring or fall—though it can generally still be quite chilly and rainy then.

In addition to the classic sights, we loved the pleasant atmosphere and the beautiful neighborhoods, but everything in Copenhagen is quite expensive.

HIGHLIGHTS



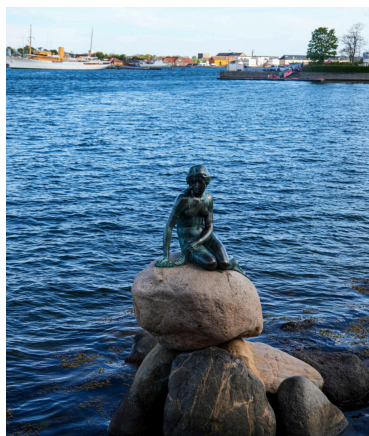
01.

Nyhavn

Probably the city's most famous landmark—the colorful row of houses along Nyhavn.

The “new” harbor is not really new, as it was completed as early as 1673.

Here you can take a leisurely stroll, especially in the morning when it's still quieter, sit down at one of the cafés or restaurants, or by the water, shop for souvenirs, or take a canal and harbor tour, which depart from here.



02.

Little Mermaid

As the name suggests, the Little Mermaid isn't particularly tall, standing at only about 125 cm.

Nevertheless, the statue—modeled after the fairy tale of the same name by the famous Danish author Hans Christian Andersen—is one of the city's highlights.

You can combine a visit to the statue with a tour of the star-shaped Kastellet fortress right next to it.



03.

Tivoli

Tivoli is also one of Copenhagen's most famous attractions.

It is not only one of the most famous but also one of the oldest amusement parks in the world, located right in the city center on City Hall Square.

In addition to food stands, the park features a wide variety of roller coasters and carousels.

It's best to buy tickets online in advance to avoid longer queues.



04.

Rosenborg Castle

Rosenborg Castle is one of Copenhagen's most famous castles. The country's crown jewels are kept here, and it's also worth taking a stroll through the surrounding Kongens Have park and the Botanical Garden on the other side.

05.

Rundetårn

Like just about every city, Copenhagen has a few observation towers. One of them is the Rundetårn, right in the city center.

The view from Vor Frelser Kirke in Christianshavn is also worth seeing. Tickets are available on-site.

06.

Neighborhoods

As mentioned earlier, Copenhagen's individual neighborhoods are highlights in their own right. Vesterbro, Frederiksberg, Nørrebro, and Christianshavn, in particular, are sure to charm you with their charming streets, cafés, and restaurants. The free town of Christiania is also worth a visit.

07.

Reffen

Copenhagen also has some great street food markets. The best known and largest is Reffen, located on the Refshaleøen peninsula. Here, on the site of a former shipyard, you'll find a wide variety of street food, drinks, and beach chairs. You can also get there by ferry from Nyhavn/Nordhavn.

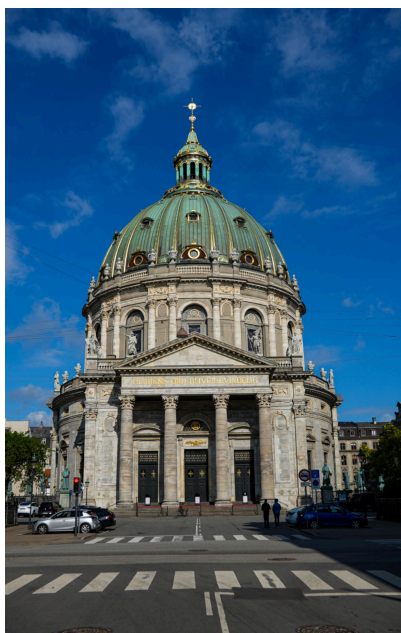


08. Amalienborg

Amalienborg Palace is the third palace in the city, after Rosenborg and Christiansborg, and it is also the residence of the Danish royal family. The palace complex consists of four buildings arranged around a courtyard, and the courtyard and entrances are guarded by the Royal Life Guard.

09. Frederiks Kirke

With its large dome, Frederiks Kirke is somewhat reminiscent of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. Inside, in addition to the altar, there are beautiful murals and sculptures. There is only one guided tour of the tower per weekend day at 1:00 p.m., limited to 15 people, so you'll need to arrive early.



10. Food

Copenhagen also has an excellent food scene. In addition to international restaurants—including many great Italian spots—highlights include traditional smørrebrød, pastries like cinnamon rolls and cardamom buns, and hot dogs. The large market hall—Torvehallerne—is also worth a visit.



DAY TO DAY

Day 1 - We didn't land until late in the evening on the first day, which is why I'm not counting that day. We just stopped by *Aamanns 1921* for a bite to eat and walked home past *Rosenborg Castle*.

Day 2 - We started Day 2 with breakfast at *Juno the Bakery*, then drove to *Nyhavn* in the morning and walked from there past *Amalienborg Palace* and *Frederiks Kirke* to the *Little Mermaid*. On the way back, we stopped by the *Kastellet fortress*, and for lunch we had smørrebrød at *Schønnemann*.

In the afternoon, we explored the city center and enjoyed the view of the city from the *Round Tower*.

We had dinner at *Gasoline Grill* that day.

Day 3 - After a leisurely breakfast at *Atelier September*, we took a closer look at a few neighborhoods - we walked from *Vesterbro* through *Frederiksberg* to *Nørrebro* and then headed to *Christianshavn*, where we treated ourselves to a hot dog for lunch.

While there, we also visited the Free Town of *Christiania* and, in the afternoon, went to the *Reffen* street food market, where we also had dinner before taking the *ferry* back to *Nordhavn* and walked to our Airbnb.

Day 4 - On day 4, the weather was a bit iffy at first, so we had breakfast at *La Cabra*, went *shopping downtown*, and had a bun from *Skt. Peders Bageri* for lunch. In the afternoon, we went to *Tivoli*, and then to *Delphine's* for dinner.

Day 5 - The next day was already our departure day. We had breakfast at *Andersen & Maillard*, then headed to *Christiansborg Palace* and into the city; we had lunch at *Torvehallerne*, and then created ourselves as LEGO figures at the *LEGO store*, before we headed back to the *airport*.

WHERE TO EAT

Restaurants:

★ **Aamanns 1921**

Delicious food & a cozy atmosphere
Niels Hemmingsens Gade 19-21, 1153 CPH

● **Schønnemann**

Delicious smørrebrød—only at lunchtime
Hauser Pl. 16, 1127 København, Dänemark

● **Gasoline Grill**

Awesome Burger Joint - Gas Station Design
Landgreven 10, 1301 København, Dänemark



● **Delphine**

Delicious Mediterranean dishes
Vesterbrogade 40, 1620 København, DK

● **Pico Pizza Nørrebro**

Great mini pizzas in Nørrebro
Skyttegade 3, 2200 København, Dänemark



Cafés:

★ **Atelier September**

Great breakfast—bread, omelet, pancakes
Kronprinsessegade 62, 1306 København, DK

● **La Cabra**

For us, the most delicious cardamom buns
Møntergade 3A, 1116 København, Dänemark

● **Juno the bakery**

Another great place for delicious buns
Århusgade 48, 2100 København, Dänemark

● **Skt. Peders Bageri**

One of the most popular spots for pastries
Sankt Peders Stræde 29, 1453 København K

● **Coffee Collective**

Best coffee spot, multiple locations
Vendersgade 6D, 1363 København, DK

● **Andersen & Maillard**

Also recommended: multiple locations
Ny Østergade 15, 1101 København, Dänemark

WHERE TO SLEEP

Copenhagen has a wide variety of great hotels and Airbnbs. Recommended hotels include Hotel Sanders, Kanalhuset, and the Andersen Hotel.

For our trip, however, we opted for a very nice, well-furnished Airbnb located right next to the metro.

Check out Airbnb here:



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