



DENMARK

Passport and visa requirements

A valid passport valid for at least three months is necessary for travel to Norway . For some nationals a visa is required as well. For full details about visa requirements and application procedures, go to <http://www.nyidanmark.dk/en-us/coming-to-dk/visa/need-visa/who-needs-visa.htm>

Customs and regulations

Alcoholic beverages

Minimum age: 18/20*

1. 1 liter of beverages with more than 22% up to and including 60% alcohol per volume as well as 1½ liters with more than 2.5% up to and including 22% alcohol per volume or three liters with more than 2.5% up to and including 22% alcohol per volume
and
2. 2 liters of beer with more than 2.5 % or other beverages with more than 2.5% up to and including 4.7% alcohol per volume.

This means that you may for example bring with you five liters of beer provided you do not have any other alcoholic beverages with you.

*For importing alcoholic beverages with more than 22% alcohol per volume the minimum age is 20.

Tobacco

Minimum age: 18

200 cigarettes or 250 g of other tobacco products and 200 leaves of cigarette paper.

It is prohibited to import the following without special permission:



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- Drugs, medicines and poisons (minor quantities of medicine for personal use are permitted)
- Alcohol over 60% per vol.
- Weapons and ammunition
- Fireworks
- Potatoes
- Mammals, birds and exotic animals
- Plants/parts thereof for cultivation

Electricity

220 volts AC (50 Hz) is the Danish standard.

If you are traveling with electrical or electronic devices be sure to bring a two-pin continental adapter with you

Currency and Prices

You need Danish currency in shops, restaurants, hotels and museums. The danish currency consists of "kroner" (DKK) and "øre". 100 øre equals 1 krone. Find out the for your own currency go to www.xe.com

Credit cards

Danish ATMs

You can withdraw cash from bank ATMs in Denmark with Visa, Cirrus, Euro or MasterCard and you will be notified, before the withdrawal, of any charges you may incur. Most ATMs can be used 24/7.

Using foreign credit cards

International credit cards can be used in restaurants, hotels, petrol stations and shops, but the company has the right to charge you an extra fee. Not all of them do and you will be notified before making a payment, if an extra fee will be charged.

Many smaller shops and supermarkets do not accept international credit cards.



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Blocking your credit card

If you lose your credit card, you can block its use by calling the relevant number below:

Acceptcard: +45 35 86 77 77

American Express: +45 80 01 00 21

Dankort: +45 44 89 29 29

Diners Club: +45 36 73 73 73

Eurocard: +45 44 89 27 50

Visa: +45 80 01 85 88

Opening hours

General times

Shops are generally open 9/10am – 5.30/6pm Monday to Thursday, closing later on Fridays (7/8pm) and earlier on Saturdays (1/2pm). Some shops stay open until 5pm on Saturdays in Copenhagen and larger towns.

Sunday opening

Many larger shops and department stores are also open on Sundays, except on national and bank holidays, constitution day (5 June), Christmas Eve and until 3pm on New Years Eve. Super markets with a yearly turnover of less than DKK31.4 million are allowed to stay open every day of the year.

Tax Free Shopping

Claim back VAT

If you live outside the EU, you can reclaim the VAT you pay on goods you purchase in Denmark. You will be reimbursed between 12% and 19%, which amounts to the VAT minus and administration fee and you can only claim on purchases that are over 300kr.

Tipping

Service charges are included in hotel, restaurant and taxi bills. If you feel you've received great service however, feel free to tip. How much you tip is entirely up to you, and there is no set etiquette for this in Denmark.

Climate



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Temperate climate

The Danish climate is moderated by the warm Gulf Stream and is therefore milder than surrounding Scandinavian countries. Denmark has four distinct seasons. The spring months, April to May, are the mildest, while the summer months of June, July and August are the hottest. Autumn, from September to November, tends to be rainy and more overcast. Winter runs from December to March and is normally cold, with frost and snow.

Temperatures

Denmark is located in the North Temperate Zone and has a mean temperature of 7.7°C (46°F). Statistically, February is the coldest month (mean 0.0°C/32°F) and August the warmest (mean 15.7°C/ 60°F).

Winds

The prevailing wind is westerly, which means that the west coast of Denmark receives more rainfall than the rest of the country. The annual rainfall in Denmark averages 61 cm (24 in) of precipitation.

Sea temperatures

Denmark is surrounded by coastline and swimming in the sea is a popular pastime. The seawater temperature around Denmark, from June to August, is between 17°C (63°F) and 22°C (72°F). In August, this can rise to around 25°C (77°F).