

"Clifftop Drama" is one of 26 panorama routes near Denmark's coastline. Panorama routes are quality cycle routes with places to eat, stay and special places to visit. The routes take you to places with extensive views but also to small hidden away places with space for peace and contemplation. The panorama routes are part of the project 'Powered by Cycling: Panorama", supported by the EU's regional fund.

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Clifftop Drama 42 km eller 22 km (mini)

The Clifftop Drama cycle tour is world class. There are magnificent views and guiet roads, white chalk and rich black soil, relics from the Cold War and stone heated by sunlight. We have created a full and varied cycle tour for you, where you may like to stop and experience things on the way, but choose your stops well, there's a lot to see! In 2010 Stevns' Cliffs were accepted as a candidate to be a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Where the route takes us

You can start the tour anywhere you like but the route described here starts at Stevns' tourist information office in Rødvig (1), where you can hire cycles. Rødvig is an attractive little port with both a fishing harbour and a marina. As you leave Rødvig you'll pass a replica of the Flint oven (2) which was previously used to convert flint from the cliffs to faience and glaze. From here you'll also catch sight of Stevns' Cliffs for the first time, sitting in state with their white chalk over the blue Baltic Sea. There is also a 20 km hike (cycling not permitted) along the cliffs from Rødvig to Bøgeskov harbour. The way in is opposite the Rødvig Kro- og Badehotel (3).

recreational area today. Take a trip down the hills and into the Pyramids - the 25-metre high and 3,000 m2 cone-shaped storehouse seems enormous from of underground corridors and rooms. There are pictures on the wall at the entrance, but if you want to see the large underground facility the best way is on one of the daily guided tours which last around 11/2 hours. Tickets can be ordered and bought on www.stevnsfortet.dk or at the ticket office at the museum. On to Harvig (6) where the inhabitants previously made a living from agriculture and fishing. At that time the boats were pulled up the cliffs. You'll also find in Harvig an old but well-preserved drinking water fountain made of flint. Højerup (7) is a great place to experience Stevns Cliff. At Stevns Cliff a dramatic chapter of Earth's history is being revealed. Between chalk and limestone there is a thin layer of fish clay that tells about the time when an asteroid hit the earth 63 million years ago and the dinosaurs became extinct. Due to this thin layer, Stevns Cliff candidate for Unesco World Heritage. Højerup Church (7) and the surrounding area is a good place to break your journey. Here you'll find play areas in natural surroundings, a hiking trail, steps to the beach, a small restaurant and Stevns' Museum.

Højerup Church stands on its own on the cliff edge. 700 years ago the church was built a long way from the cliff edge but the sea has eroded the cliffs and in 1928 the church's chancel fell into the sea. You're welcome to go in the church (it's all secure now!) and experience the special feeling of "hanging over" the edge. The view of the cliffs from here is fantastic. 41 metres above sea level sits the 27-metre high Stevns' Lighthouse (8). Both the lighthouse dating from 1878 and the lighthouse keeper's house are open for visitors. It is also here that you can choose to shorten the tour: Go down Gl. Klintevej and then Tommestrupvej to Store Heddinge (the short tour is a total of 22 km, dashed line).

Rødvig

If you continue along Stevns' Cliffs you'll come to the recreational areas of Flagbanken and Holtug Kridtbrud. At Flagbanken (10) there is an extremely popular bird tower which is frequently used by the many migrating birds in the spring and autumn. There are also tables, benches, a toilet and shelter here. A scenic gravel road leads you to Holtug Kridtbrud (11) - once Stevns' largest workplace. Now a resort where many come to find fossils and experience animal life. In and around the quarry you'll find large and small salamanders and broomrape.

The tour now turns inland towards Gjorslev Gods (12). You'll see the modern part of the estate to the right, where a herd of dairy cattle stand in stalls and are milked several times a day with milking robots. In contrast, straight ahead there is: a medieval estate with arrow slits and a moat from circa 1400. Follow the path around the estate - from the south side there is an entrance to the large park. Then it's past Magleby and Klippinge to Store Heddinge (14). Note that if your legs are tired, you can take your cycle on the train back to Rødvig from Klippinge. Store Heddinge is a good place for a break. How about coffee and cake in Cafe Algade? Or see the church where Bishop Absalon is said to have checked the virginity of the arriving nuns!

The Clifftop Drama route now continues to Boesdal Kalkbrud (4) which is a within. Stevns' Fortress (5) dates from 1954 and comprises more than 1.6 km

Places to eat and shop

Ishuset Rødvig Havn Rødvig Fisk (shop and eatery) Restaurant Lanterna www.lanterna.dk Restaurant Harmonien www.restaurant-harmonien.dk Aqua Marina www.aqua-marina.dk Rødvig Kro od Badehotel www.roedvigkro.dk Restaurant Højeruplund www.hojeruplund.dk Cafe Algade (Store Heddinge) www.cafealgade.dk Hotel Stevns www.hotelstevns.dk Large selection of places to eat and shop in Rødvig and Store Heddinge



You can also see the following on the tour (9) Stevns' Chalk Pit, a working chalk pit which every day produces 1,200 tonnes of chalk powder. The chalk is mainly used to give paper its white colour. (13) Where Seinhuusvej meets Kongeskov there is a secluded little grove with oak trees, where butterflies swarm in summer.

Roads: Small asphalted secondary roads with moderate traffic. Single gravel roads. Max. 2% gradient. Cycletime adults with 11km/h app. 4 hours. Cycletime kids with 8 km/h app. 5:15 hours.



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Cycle hire

You can hire cycles at Stevns' tourist office in Rødvig www.visitstevns.dk and at Pedelec bikes can be hired at Rødvig Kro- og Badehotel www.roedvigkro.dk

Klippinge, Store Heddinge and Rødvig stations are served by a regional train. The train stops in Køge, where you can connect with the suburban train to Copenhagen www.rejseplanen.dk









