

## Experience Copenhagen - off the beaten track

**In Copenhagen's charming districts you can discover everything from architectural gems to hip shopping areas. Get off the tourist trail and meet the locals!**

### Nørrebro

Nørrebro is one of the city's hottest quarters, with an ethnic mix and an influx of young, hip inhabitants. Here you can visit cozy cafés like Pussy Galore's Flying Circus, Barstarten and Floras Kaffebar and go shopping for clothes, exotic foods, bric-a-brac or antiques. Ravnsborggade is recommended - an established community of second hand/antique shops, which specializes in 50s object d' arts, 70s kitsch, modern Danish classics and other collectibles.



### Vesterbro

Another must-go district is Vesterbro, full of groovy cafes, design and retro kitsch clothes shops. Besides boasting the city's number one nightclub and lounge bar, Vega and Ideal Bar, Vesterbro has some of the city's best restaurants like Formel B and Passagens Spisehus. Groovy cafes like Bang & Jensen and Riccos Coffee Shop is right next to hip fashion shops. In Hübsch or Donn Ya Doll you'll find all that's cool for street, party or club. Ichinen sells not just clothes, but modern, Danish-designed furniture and interior design items. Girlie Hurlly and Designer Zoo are also must see for designer fetishists.



### Christianshavn and Holmen

Another 'local experience' is Christianshavn (Christian's Harbour) which lies surrounded by water, protected by ramparts and cut through by canals. This part of town was established by Christian IV in the 17th century, and today the historic surroundings attracts a mix of yuppies, hippies, and other copenhageners enjoying the lively atmosphere, small shops, restaurants and a thriving pub-life. A highly recommended place to stop for lunch is the garden café Løven og Bastionen, situated in an extension of Nationalmuseet's Lille Mølle. Restaurant Kanalen serve lunch and for dinner Danish ingredients with a French twist. Also at Christianshavn, check out the hip Luftkastellet, a beachy laid back hangout with great views of the waterfront and live music and events throughout the summer.



From here, you can easily reach Holmen and the world known free town Christiania. Holmen's redbrick warehouses, barracks and foundries are used by students, exhibition-goers, diners, and night clubbers. In the same neighbourhood the Royal Danish School of Architecture, holds regular exhibitions in Meldahls Smedie, whereas a trip to Gammel Dok, will take you to a beautiful converted warehouse - the location for the Centre for Danish Architecture, which hosts changing exhibitions and has a fine café and bookshop.

