East Jutland culture and heritage [1]

An ancient land, East Jutland sweeps you back through history, from Viking sights to 400 years BC, with the grizzly body of The Tollund Man in Silkeborg.

Museums galore

There are many excellent art museums to tempt you in East Jutland, most notably the striking ARoS Art Museum in Aarhus, housing both old and contemporary art. Also well worth a visit are Silkeborg Art Museum, with its large collection of Asger Jorn's CoBRA-paintings and Ebeltoft Glass Museum, featuring stunning Danish and international glass art.

Walk back in time

At the enormous open-air museum of The Old Town in Aarhus, you get to live and breathe history, walking the streets of buildings dating as far back as the 17th century. Silkeborg Museum invites you to meet Tollundmanden – an incredibly well-preserved bog body from 400 BC.

Viking heritage

Approximately 1200 years ago, the Vikings settled in Aarhus and you can explore this long and rich history at Aarhus' Viking museum, Moesgård Museum. The museum houses ancient rune stones and reconstructed Viking houses.

Jelling - a World Heritage Site

If you'd prefer to be outdoors experiencing history in situ, then head to Fyrkat near Hobro, one of four known ring fortresses from the Viking Age in Denmark. And of course Jelling, west of Vejle, is a fascinating UNESCO World Heritage Site. Walk in amongst the ancient Nordic rune stones depicting the first Viking kings, Gorm the Elder and Harald Bluetooth. These kings brought Denmark under one nation and introduced Christianity to the country. You can read more about this at the Kings Jelling Museum (Kongernes Jelling).

Manor houses

More recent history is all across East Jutland for you to see, with the many manor houses and castles that cover the area, such as Old Estrup, which now is a manor house museum. Other houses waiting to be explored include Rosenholm, Clausholm and Frijsenborg.

Further reading

Read more about East Jutland [2].

Read more about Historical Denmark [3].