South Sealand culture and heritage [1]

A region packed with attractions, from castles, flower gardens and ancient church frescos to wildlife parks and amusements.

Castles

South Sealand is an excellent region to tour to see interesting manor houses and castles. Visit Gavnø Castle, just south of Næstved, to see its beautiful flower garden and museums. On Møn, the romantic Liselund Castle and its large park are open to the public, as are the impressive Gisselfeld and Bregentved estates near Haslev.

Denmark's most famous woman

One of Denmark’s most famous women, Leonora Christine, died at the cathedral in Maribo. The daughter of King Christian IV, Leonora was imprisoned for 22 years in The Blue Tower in Copenhagen by her half brother, King Frederik III. Whilst in prison, she wrote the most impressive biography of the age, Memory of Woe (Jammerminde).

Wild holidays

If you’re looking for excitement, you can see wild tigers at Knuthenborg Park and Safari or experience the most popular attraction of the region, BonBon Land amusement park, which started out as a sweet factory.

Art

At Fulgsang Manor, you can go to music events and visit the Fulgsang Art Museum, with Danish art from the 18th century to present. The museum was designed by the English architect Tony Fretton.

Unique church frescos

Many of the churches on Møn have frescos dating back to the 15th century. Most were painted by the Elmelunde Master, an unknown painter who adorned the churches in Fanefjord, Keldby and Elmelunde with colourful scenes from the Bible and everyday life. You can see more frescos by this enigmatic painter in Bogø, Nørre Alslev and Stubbekøbing churches.

Further reading

Read more about South Sealand [2].

Read more about Historical Denmark [3].

Read more about Family holidays in Denmark [4].