

# Rømø

## Of Whaling & Wonderful Beaches

Nature and culture experiences on the whaler's island



### Scenery and surroundings

Visitors of the Danish Wadden Sea's greatest island are not only attracted by its endless beaches but also by the island's interesting and long history.

For a long time, Rømø's inhabitants earned their living by whaling off Greenland. This was a dangerous but well paid job that led to great wealth on the island. The noble houses of the captains and other signs of wealth can still be found on the island today.

The *Naturcenter Tønningård* is located in one of these old, thatched-roofed captains' houses. The centre is point of departure for a broad variety of activities related to the nature, culture and history of the island. On Rømø, nature and culture always go hand in hand. Therefore, the centre's programme especially focuses on human life in and with nature, today and in former times.

### Accommodation

On Rømø there are two self-catering accommodations and a Youth Hostel (full board) available for groups.

### Getting There

By train via Niebüll and Tønder to Skærbæk (DK). From there by bus over the dam to Rømø (travel time from Hamburg ca. 4-5 h).

Bikes can be rented close to the accommodation.



### Sample Programme

#### 5-Day-Programme



1<sup>st</sup> day:

Pm: Arrival and first orientation. General introduction to the Wadden Sea and the week's programme by the *Naturcenter Tønningård's* staff. Short evening walk afterwards.

2<sup>nd</sup> day:

Am: Mudflat excursion.

Pm: Visit to *Naturcenter Tønningård* with laboratory and exhibition programme.

3<sup>rd</sup> day:

All-day natural- und cultural history bicycle tour via Havneby along the west coast (infos about Rømø's development, beach, dunes) via Rømø's summit to Toftum (Kommandørgård, human life 200 years ago); passing the

old seaport and seaman's church of the year 1400 AD and back to Havneby.

4<sup>th</sup> day:

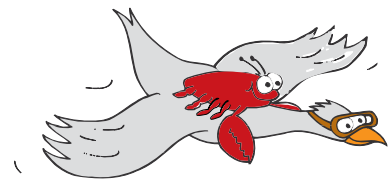
Am: Shrimp fishing at the beach of Lakolk.

Pm: Bird walk. Afterwards short resume and end of the programme.

Possibly IWSS Quiz Show in the evening.

5<sup>th</sup> day:

Departure



### Additional activities

- Salt marsh excursion
- Bunker tour
- Creative handicrafts
- Forest- and heathland excursion
- Seal-safari





# Rømø - Travel Information

## Accommodation

- **Rømø Vandrerhjem** (Youth Hostel)

Lyngvejen 7  
DK - 6792 Rømø  
t +45 74 75 - 51 88, f - 51 87

[romo@danhostel.dk](mailto:romo@danhostel.dk)  
[www.romo-vandrerhjem.dk](http://www.romo-vandrerhjem.dk)

91 beds, full board

- **Rømø Spejderhytte** (Scout's hut)

Havnebyvej 114 B  
DK - 6792 Rømø  
+45 74 75 - 68 98

[else.storm@mail.tele.dk](mailto:else.storm@mail.tele.dk)

30 beds, self-catering

- **Youth Camp Röm**

Lyngvejen 33  
DK - 6792 Rømø

*Information & Booking:*  
Nordschleswigsche Gemeinde  
Hovedgaden 46  
Postboks 25  
DK - 6360 Tinglev

t +45 74 64 - 40 34, f - 2126

[nordschleswigsche.gemeinde@mail.tele.dk](mailto:nordschleswigsche.gemeinde@mail.tele.dk)  
[www.kirche.dk](http://www.kirche.dk)

47 beds, self-catering

**Tip:** The IWSS offers a cooking-service for all self-catering accommodations!  
→ [www.iwss.org](http://www.iwss.org)

## Shopping Facilities

- **Spar-Markt**

Twismark, Rømø  
t +45 74 75 - 51 13

Please order up to one day before delivery.

## Getting There & around

- **Train:**

*From Germany:* DB group travel service

t +49 (0) 18 05 - 99 55 11

Timetable & fares: [www.bahn.de](http://www.bahn.de)

*From Denmark:* DSB group travel service

t +45 70 - 13 14 15

Timetable & fares: [www.dsb.dk](http://www.dsb.dk)

*From The Netherlands:*

Timetable & fares: [www.ns.nl](http://www.ns.nl)

Your national IWSS Focal Point can help you find the best group arrangement.

[info.nl@iwss.org](mailto:info.nl@iwss.org)

- **Bus** (No. 29):

Time schedule & fares:

[www.sydbus.dk](http://www.sydbus.dk)

Please book & reserve in advance:

t +45 74 75 - 54 80

**Tip:** Book trains & busses well in advance for best group discounts!

## Programme & Activities

### Natural History Programme

- **Naturcenter Tønningård**

Havnebyvej 30  
DK - 6792 Rømø  
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[info@tonnigaard.dk](mailto:info@tonnigaard.dk)  
[www.tonnigaard.dk](http://www.tonnigaard.dk)

Detailed programme & costs on request.

**Tip:** Duration and content of the programme can be individually arranged! → [info@tonnigaard.dk](mailto:info@tonnigaard.dk)

## Sightseeing on Rømø

- **Rømø Mini-Museum**, Naturcenter Tønningård

- **Rømø church**, Kirkeby

- **National Museum "Kommandørgård"**, Toftum

- **Denmark's most ancient school**, Toftum

- **Fence from whales' lower jaws**, Juvre

## Favourite Excursions

- **Hjemsted Oldtidspark**

Hjemstedvej 60  
DK - 6780 Skærbæk

t +45 74 75 - 08 00

[oldtidspark@hemsted.dk](mailto:oldtidspark@hemsted.dk)  
[www.hjemsted.dk](http://www.hjemsted.dk)

- (Half-) Day-trip to **Skærbæk**

Bus No. 29  
[www.sydbus.dk](http://www.sydbus.dk)

- Day-trip to **Sylt** ([www.sylt.de](http://www.sylt.de))

Ferry: [www.syltfaehre.de](http://www.syltfaehre.de)

- Day-trip to **Ribe** ([www.visitribe.dk](http://www.visitribe.dk))

or **Tønder** ([www.visittonder.dk](http://www.visittonder.dk))

Bus & train: [www.sydbus.dk](http://www.sydbus.dk), [www.dsb.dk](http://www.dsb.dk)

## Further Information

- **Rømø Turistbureau**

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[romo@romo.dk](mailto:romo@romo.dk)  
[www.romo.dk](http://www.romo.dk)

- **Nature & National Park**

[www.beaksandbreaks.com](http://www.beaksandbreaks.com)

[www.danmarksnationalparker.dk](http://www.danmarksnationalparker.dk) (dk, en)

[www.vadehav.dk](http://www.vadehav.dk) (dk)

