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Digital Guide





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- Harbour
- Fortress
- Car City
- Swimming
- Nightlife

Welcome to Halden!

- a vibrant border town where Norway meets Europe, rich in history, nature and great experiences.

Here you will find nature, history, culture and great food experiences – all within short distance. This guide is created to give you tips, ideas and inspiration to explore more of what Halden has to offer, and make it easy to get the most out of your stay. Enjoy exploring and let yourself be inspired.

Do you have any questions during your stay in Halden? Feel free to contact us. We respond to inquiries via phone, SMS, email and Messenger.

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Byens lokale sparebank.

Hos oss går overskuddet både til å gi deg et godt banktilbud og til å støtte idrett og kultur i Halden. Bra for deg – og bra for lokalsamfunnet.



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Share your bucket list photos with us!



How many have you checked off on your

Halden ✓ Bucket List?



- Visited the locks at Brekke Locks
- Ate soft serve ice cream at Grotten
- Tried the zipline at Via Ferrata Haldenkanalen
- Clapped with both hands at a concert at the Cultural House
- Solved puzzles at Fredriksten Escape History
- Slept in a hammock in Ertemarka
- Joined a guided tour at Fredriksten Fortress
- Ate pork dishes at Motz
- Walked the Troll Trail at Ormtjern
- Experienced Halden Cruise Night
- Walked the ghost trail at the fortress
- Attended a concert at Brygga Kultursal
- Hiked Borgleden (Pilgrim Path)
- Boated under the Svinesund bridges
- Stayed overnight in the treetop cabins at Grensen
- Played in Busterud Park
- Played golf at Fredriksten Golf Park
- Seen the Svinesund Bridge from Hjelmkollen
- Taken a selfie at Elgåfossen
- Visited Halden Prison Museum
- Visited Fredrikshalds Theatre
- Visited the garden at Rød Manor
- Visited the Monolith Quarry
- Played disc golf in Østgårdskogen
- Fished for salmon in Enningdalselva
- Tried the Leap of Faith at Klatring på Grensen
- Ate shrimp on the pier on a warm summer evening
- Experienced the nightlife in Halden
- Joined a quiz night at one of the town's venues
- Visited Kjeøya in Sponvika
- Experienced local history at Halden Museum – Fayegården

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FÅ MER UT AV SOMMEREN

Veien er kort til badesteder, shopping og grønne parker når du tar bussen.

Last ned ØstfoldBillett-appen og kjøp bussbilletter raskt og enkelt.
Se mer informasjon om rutetider på ostfold-kollektiv.no.

God sommer!



Klatring på Grensen: One of Norway's largest climbing parks



Halden Library: Library with children's and adult sections



Activities & attractions in Halden

Addresses, maps, opening hours and more information can be found on the website – scan the QR code.



Halden Museum - Fayegården: Museum for the history of Halden and the surrounding area



Fredriksten Fortress: A historic cultural monument and landmark



MS Brekke: Boat trips on the Halden Canal



Fredrikshald Theatre: Norway's oldest preserved Baroque theatre

Activities in Halden

Fredriksten Golf Park

9-hole golf course and driving range just a short distance from Fredriksten Fortress.

Photo: Kari Weel



Halden Cinema

Catch films, major premieres or explore events in one of the three beautiful cinema halls.



Disc golf in Østgårdskogen

Great 18-hole disc golf course in varied and challenging terrain with significant elevation.

Photo: Veronica van Groningen



Halden Museum – Fredriksten

Experience Halden's history through changing exhibitions, events and activities throughout the summer.

Photo: Østfoldmuseene



Monolith Museum

A granite adventure with attraction, exhibition, hiking trails and fishing opportunities, as well as a shelter nearby.



Lucky Bowl

Try bowling, laser tag, arcade games or visit the restaurant.



Rød Manor

One of Norway's largest and best-preserved manor estates. A cultural gem with over 300 years of history.

Photo: Kjartan Abel Nilsen



Via Ferrata Halden Canal

Climb the Via Ferrata along the Halden Canal. The route takes approximately 1.5–2 hours and guides are included.

Photo: Jonas Ingstad



D/S Prøven

Boat trips with D/S Prøven on Lake Kornsjö. Charter tours operate from June to September.



Veteran boat Tista

Boat trips with the veteran boat Tista on the Iddefjord between Sponvik Skansen and Krogstrand.



The Swimming/Bath Bus!

Free transport to Halden's swimming spots

During the entire school holiday, you can take the Swimming/Bath Bus – a free and environmentally friendly transport service that takes you to some of Halden's most popular swimming areas and outdoor locations.



Swimming areas in Halden

Ystehedeneset

A well-adapted swimming area that is wheelchair accessible and suitable for the visually impaired. Facilities include a bathing ramp, benches and an accessible toilet. 10 km from the town centre.

Photo: Lisa Gustavsen



Engevika

A lovely small beach on the Iddefjord, only accessible on foot or by bicycle. 2 km from the town centre along the coastal path.



Krusetertjern

A well-adapted sandy beach with a floating dock, kiosk, diving board, benches, wheelchair ramp and toilet. 8 km north of the town centre, with good parking facilities.

Photo: Martin Sagholen



Vanninga

A shallow swimming area in Femsjøen with toilet, benches and floating dock. 6 km north of the town centre, with good parking facilities.



Store Erte

Smooth-rock shoreline and a well-adapted sandy beach. Toilet and floating dock. 9 km north of the town centre, parking nearby.

Photo: Martin Sagholen



Svalerødkilen

Long sandy beach and open grassy areas. Toilet with running water, play equipment, benches and barbecue area, accessible for people with disabilities. 15 km from the town centre, good parking facilities.

Photo: Nikolai Saxer Olsen Ebeltoft



Pina and Grønbukt at Kjeøya

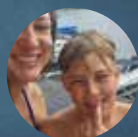
A natural swimming area outside Sponvika with sandy beaches and smooth coastal rocks. Toilet and mooring dock at Pina. 15 km from the town centre along the coastal path.

Photo: Nikolai Saxer Olsen Ebeltoft



Kornsjø

Swimming area with sandy beach, diving board and bathing dock at the border bridge. Here you can swim from Norway to Sweden! 30 km from the town centre.



Halden tips:

I like paddleboarding (SUP) on Femsjøen and in Sponvika. I also like eating sushi at Tista Center, and my favourite store is Kiwi at Sørli. **Ole, 11 years**

Halden Canal Expedition

From tropical paradise to local adventure



Two weeks after returning home from a round-the-world sailing trip on De Syv Hav, Linn Charlotte Klund and Paul Libbe chose to do the opposite of many globe-trotters: they turned their attention to their own backyard in Østfold.

With a sailboat and TV camera, they set course through the beautiful nature of the Halden Canal, one of Norway's two canal systems.



What was meant to be a quiet staycation quickly turned into an action-packed summer adventure with locks, underwater experiences and memorable encounters along the way. At the same time, they realized how little they actually knew about Halden and the surrounding areas.



In the series, they meet, among others, opera singer Petter Simonsen, ornithologist Rune Aae, NRK's Werner Winlund and Asgeir Borgemoen, who introduces them to diving for crayfish in Northern Europe's highest continuous lock system at Brekke Locks.

Along the way, the canal offers both drama, maritime history, underwater adventures and true summer magic.



You can follow the adventure in the TV series "Halden Canal Expedition" on Naturkanal1 and the YouTube channel Haldenkanalen Expedition.

Photo: Images from the TV series

Halden tips

Get tips from locals about shops, places to eat and experiences – what are your favourites?



Greta Karin Larsen
Shop: Tista Center
Place to eat: Yang
Experience: Fredriksten Fortress



Mari-Ann Tårneby Lunner
Shop: Zavanna
Place to eat: Kokkekollektive
Experience: Klatring på Grensen



Jonas Pedersen Sørli
Shop: Retrospillkongen
Place to eat: Il Casolare
Experience: Cars & Coffee every Tuesday at the fortress



Frida Fredriksen
Shop: Normal
Place to eat: Il Casolare
Experience: Concert at Brygga Kultursal



Åge Strand
Shop: Levang
Place to eat: Yang
Experience: Brekke Locks and Via Ferrata



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Fredriksten

Photo: Nina Røisnæs



Hiking trails

Photo: Kari Weel

Fredriksten Fortress for everyone

Fredriksten Fortress for families

Fredriksten Fortress is a perfect place for young explorers and active family days. At the main parking area you will find a **playground** that is well suited for children.

Try the popular **ghost walk** and discover the fortress through play, mysteries and stories. Or follow the nature trail with posted signs that explain the nature and the area along the way. Also visit **Den Gamle Kommandant** for ice cream and the popular Kongens kanelsnute. Inside the inner fortress you will also find the Fortress Shop.

If you are looking for more activities, you can visit **Fredriksten Camping** and play mini golf in pleasant surroundings.

The fortress offers many great places to relax with views over the town. Parts of the area are accessible with strollers and modern wheelchairs, and there are toilets, changing tables and accessible facilities on-site. When evening comes, you can experience the historical light show displayed on the fortress walls every night during the summer season.

Fredriksten Hotel and Fredriksten Camping are popular accommodation options for families.



Digital History: QR codes for digital history can be found at 33 locations in the fortress and 3 in the town. Scan the code on the sign with your phone and you will get a fantastic story in one minute, with images, film, text and audio.



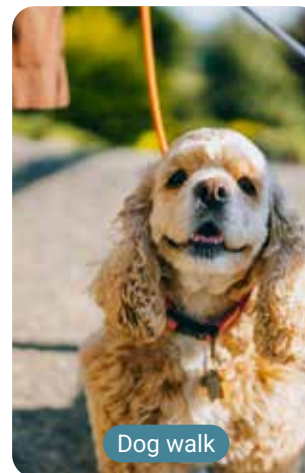
Ghost walk

Foto: Petter Jacobsen



Playground

Photo: Kari Weel



Dog walk



Curtisen



Pictures from Curtisen:
Photo: Stein Johnsen

The fortress for those who want to be active

With more than **10 kilometers of trails and roads**, Fredriksten Fortress is a popular area for training, exercise and nature experiences. Here you can go for a walk, jog intervals in the hills or challenge yourself in the many staircases around the fortress area. Generalveien and Kongeveien are also well suited for cycling.

You can also visit **Fredriksten Golf Park**, which is located in scenic surroundings by the fortress. For those who enjoy climbing, there is a climbing wall near Halden Montessori School at Fredriksten Fortress.

The combination of historical surroundings, views and nature makes each workout extra inspiring.

The fortress for those with dogs

Fredriksten Fortress is a great walking area for those who want to explore historic surroundings together with their four-legged companion. There are large outdoor areas, nice walking paths and many places to take breaks along the way. Please remember leash rules and help us keep the area clean and pleasant for all visitors.

The fortress for couples

Whether you want a romantic walk at sunset or a peaceful break with a view over the town, Fredriksten Fortress offers many atmospheric spots.

A great tip is dinner at **Curtisen**, which offers food experiences in historic surroundings. Tables should be booked in advance.

Find a bench with a view, walk hand in hand along the walls or discover small, hidden corners around the fortress. The area is also perfect for photos and summer memories.

Guided tour?
Scan QR code
for more info:



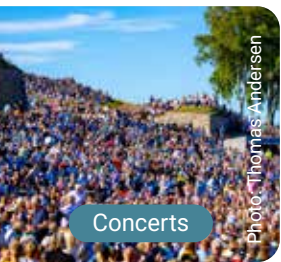


Photo: Thomas Andersen

Concerts

The fortress for culture enthusiasts

Fredriksten Fortress is a vibrant cultural arena throughout the year. **Concerts, markets, exhibitions, family events and historical experiences** are organized here in unique surroundings.

Visit the information center, join a guided tour, or experience the historical light show that tells the dramatic history of the fortress.

During the summer, daily guided tours are offered for individual visitors, while groups can book guided tours all year round.

You can also experience the self-guided tour **“Living History”*** using your own mobile phone and 33 QR codes placed around the fortress.

Also visit the Fortress Museum, which is open every day throughout the summer.



History



Photo: Kim Braud

Museum

The Fortress for Nature Lovers

At the fortress, you will find rich biodiversity and beautiful natural areas that change their appearance throughout the year.

The many paths and green areas provide good opportunities for peaceful walks, birdwatching, and short breaks with views over Halden and the fjord. The fortress area is also known for its diversity of species, including several rare plants and insects.

Please help us take care of the area by using the trash bins placed around the fortress.



Photo: Jostein Nilsen

Walking around Fredriksten Fortress provides a unique experience of history, views and tranquility in beautiful surroundings

Nature



Experiences at Fredriksten Fortress

Guiding

Drop-in guided tours every day in weeks 26–33 at 12:00. Meeting point at the upper parking lot. Payment by VIPPS or cash. 125 NOK for adults and 50 NOK for children. Groups can book a guided tour all year round. (Own prices)

www.fredrikstenguiding.no

Historic Light Show

Sound and live images directly on the fortress wall! Free.
7:00 PM (October 10–March 19)
9:00 PM (March 20–April 10, September 1–October 9)
10:00 PM (April 11–May 8, August 8–31)
11:00 PM (May 9–June 6, July 8–August 7)
12:00 midnight (June 7–July 7)

www.lysspillet.no

Ghost Walk

A walk among ghosts and slaves at Fredriksten fortress. The 2026 ghost map can be purchased at the information center. Price: NOK 50.

Information Center Opening Hours

11:00 AM–4:00 PM every day during the summer season, as well as during the Christmas market at Fredriksten.

Opening hours Fredriksten Museum

June 22–30: 11:00 AM–5:00 PM daily
July: 10:00 AM–5:00 PM daily
August 1–16: 11:00 AM–5:00 PM
Weekends, June–September: 11:00 AM–5:00 PM

Saluting

21.2: H.M. King Harald’s birthday.
08.5: Liberation Day from World War II.
17.5: Constitution Day.
07.6: Dissolution of the Union.
04.7: H.M. Queen Sonja’s birthday.
20.7: H.K.H. Crown Prince Haakon’s birthday.
20.7: H.R.H. Crown Prince Haakon’s birthday.

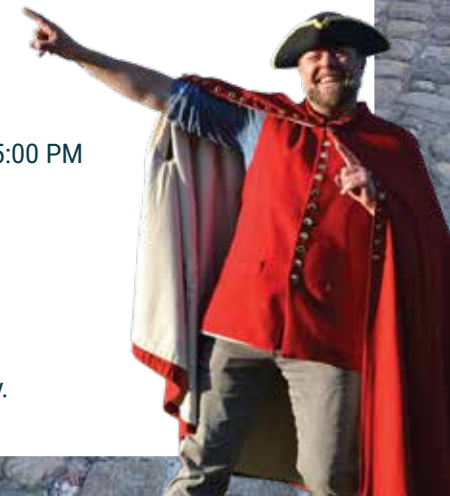


Photo: Tone Fredén



Foto: Maria Mørch Erichsen

Troll Trail



Photo: Heidi Andersen

Busterud Park



Border Ride

Outdoor Life in Halden

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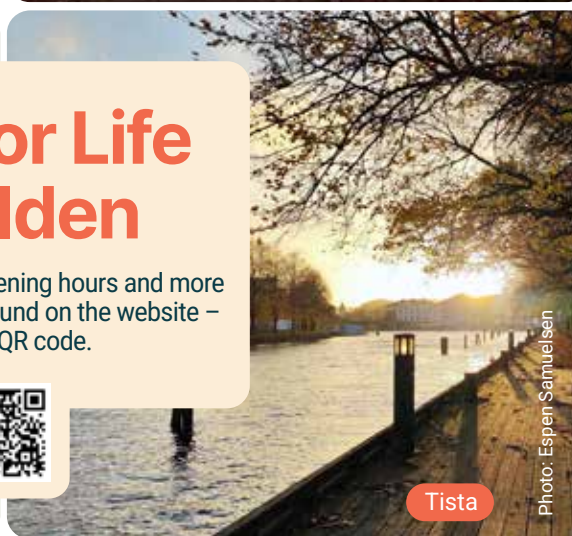


Photo: Espen Samuelssen

Tista



Monolith Quarry

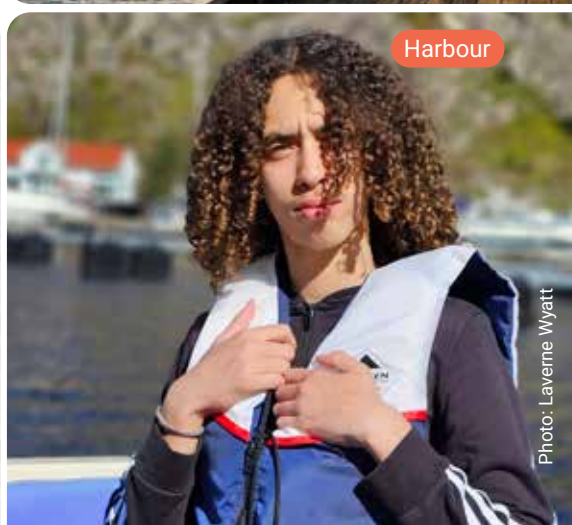


Photo: Laverne Wyatt

Harbour

Outdoor life in Halden

Troll Trail - **easy**

Family-friendly trail where fun creatures appear along the way.

Photo: Maria Mørch Erichsen



Brekke-Nestangen - **easy**

A fantastic hike starting at Brekke Locks - Northern Europe's highest lock system.

Photo: Jonas Ingstad



Engevika - **easy**

A beautiful walk from the town centre to Engevika - Halden's city beach.



Skriverøya-Ystehedeneset - **moderate**

See historical monuments and enjoy views of the beautiful Iddefjord.



Hjelmkollen - **easy**

Experience a fantastic viewpoint over Halden, the Svinesund bridges and towards the Hvaler islands.

Photo: May Ruby Soli



Tista Trail - **easy** and wheelchair accessible

A walk through the town centre with historical sights along Halden's river, Tista.

Photo: Mete Rustad Hansen



Kjeøya - **moderate**

Hike through cultural heritage sites from the Viking Age, the Swedish wars and World War II, including trenches and artillery positions.

Photo: Halden Kommune



Fredriksten Fortress - **moderate**

Experience exciting history, monuments and fantastic viewpoints above the town.

Photo: Tone Fredén



Halden tip:

Kjeøya is one of the best hiking areas in Halden! Here you can experience exciting war history and fantastic views over the fjord. **Jørund**

An experience you shouldn't miss in Halden!

There are experiences that will surprise you..

That give you butterflies in your stomach, a sense of achievement in your body, and views you won't forget anytime soon.

Just outside Halden town centre, along the beautiful Halden Canal, you will find one of them. Via Ferrata Haldenkanalen is not just an activity. It is an experience that combines nature, history and excitement in a way few places can match. Over the water, between the trees and up high.

The experience starts spectacularly

You step out onto Europe's longest suspension bridge in a Via Ferrata, **124.3 metres long and 15 metres above the canal at Brekke Locks**. Beneath you, the water flows quietly past. Around you, the landscape opens up.

The route then continues into the climbing section itself. With fixed wires and iron rungs anchored into the rock, you make your way safely upward, whether you are experienced or a beginner. Via Ferrata means "iron path", and makes it possible for more people to experience the feeling of climbing in steep terrain.

At the top, the reward awaits. A 250-metre zip line that sends you

across the canal. It is an experience you won't soon forget.

An activity for many

Via Ferrata Haldenkanalen is suitable for friends, families and colleagues. Children from 10 years old can join, and this is an activity that creates shared experiences and great memories. It's not about being the best – it's about challenging yourself, feeling achievement and sharing the moment with others.

Where nature meets history

What makes the experience truly special is the surroundings. Right next to the climbing route are Brekke Locks, **Northern Europe's highest continuous lock system with a lift height of 26.6 metres**.

Here you can watch boats being raised and lowered through the four lock chambers – an impressive feat of engineering still in use today. The combination of nature and history gives the area a unique character.

Make it a full day

Once you are here, there are many ways to experience the area. You can paddle along the canal and enjoy the landscape from the water, or try being lifted up and down through the locks by canoe.



You can also take a trip with MS Brekke and experience the locks at a more relaxed pace. Along the canal you will also find great hiking areas and good places to take a break.

A place for new experiences

The Halden Canal is one of Norway's oldest canals and stretches through a landscape shaped by lakes, forests and cultural history.

Via Ferrata Haldenkanalen gives you a truly unique way to experience this area. Activity, nature and history are combined in a way that makes your visit more than just a trip.

Whether it's the excitement, the view or the feeling of trying something new, everything is set for a day you will remember for a long time.

And perhaps it is right here – along the canal and across the water – that you will find one of the summer's strongest experiences.



Halden Canal:

- One of Norway's oldest canals
- Stretches from Skulerud to Tistedal (approx. 80 km)
- Has Northern Europe's highest continuous lock system (Brekke Locks)
- An important cultural heritage site, recently restored
- Includes 3 lock locations and 5 lakes
- Offers activities such as paddling, boating, swimming and fishing



Velkommen til en reise på og langs Haldenkanalen



- Bli med på en eventyrlig båttur med en av rutebåtene
- Lei en kano, padlebrett, tråkkesykler eller sykkel og legg ut på tur
- Kanoslusing – bli sluset opp og ned slusene i kano
- Opplev de hyggelige slusestedene
- Via Ferrata Haldenkanalen
- Overnatt i FLO Haldenkanalen – flytende overnatting
- Nyt frisk luft og stilhet i skogen
- Prøv fiskelykken

Haldenkanalen har tre slusesteder - Ørje, Strømsfoss og Brekke - Europas høyeste sammenhengende slusetrapp - 27 m.

Slusetider: Ring for slusing på nevnte tidspunkt
Tel. 69 81 12 00

30. mai - 30. august (priser for 2026)
Ørje: kl. 10, 15, 19 **NOK 300,-**
Strømsfoss: kl. 10, 13, 16, 19 **NOK 250,-**
Brekke: kl. 10, 14, 17 **NOK 350,-**

Båt transport til Haldenkanalen
Transport både fra Halden havn (havet) og mellom Haldenkanalen og Dalsland kanal kan ordnes.

Se www.haldenkanalen.no for kjøp av:
Sesongkort slusing **NOK 1400,-**
Nøkkeltkort/kode servicehus **NOK 450,-**
(Priser 2026)

For mer info vedr. transportpriser, bryggeavgift, arrangement, overnatting etc.
www.visithaldenkanalen.no

Egne priser for kano/kajakk
Utønom slusetider og sesong – dobbel pris.



En luftig opplevelse for hele familien!

Lengste hengebro i en Via Ferrata.
250m lang zipline.
Overnatting i hytter.

Bestill med kupongkode
(Gjelder dagspass og ved bestilling på nett)

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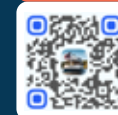
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Opplev Haldenkanalen med MS Brekke

Rutetur
Middagscruise
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Bestill med kupongkode
(kr 100 i rabatt pr pers.)

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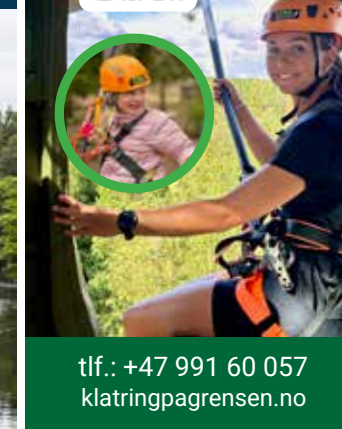
Norges kuleste klatrepark der glede og mestring står i fokus. Kom og besøk oss og opplev den unike atmosfæren i parken!

Bestill med kupongkode
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Klatring på Gresen



-  Halden Station
-  Hotel Accommodation
-  Motorhome Parking
-  Camping
-  Emergency Clinic
-  Museum
-  Cinema
-  Library

-  Cultural Centre / Theatre
-  Attraction
-  Cafés
-  Places to Eat
-  Shopping
-  Lekepark
-  Tursti
-  Training Park



Via Ferrata Brekke sluser MS Brekke



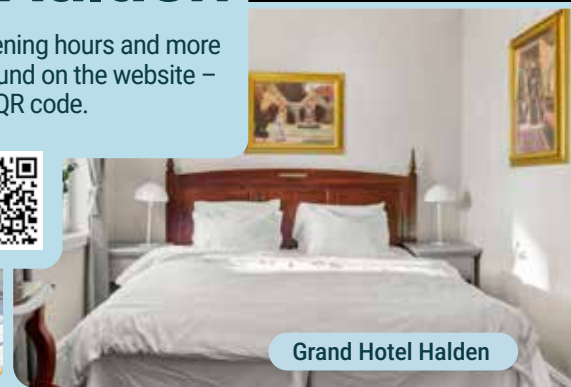
Foto: Fredriksten Hotell

Overnight stay in Halden

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Motell Svinesund



Grand Hotel Halden



Thon Hotel



Home Hotel Park

Foto: Thon

Photo: Home Hotel Park

Overnight stay in Halden



Foto: Thomas Andersen / Impuls media

Camping in Halden

Bakke Camping
Iddefjordsveien 907, 1765 Halden

Buerskogen Camping
Buerskogen, 1766 Halden

Bråtorp Camping
Skaugskrokveien 27, 1765 Halden

Fredriksten Camping
Fredriksten Fortress, 1769 Halden

Motorhome parking Brekke Locks
Brekkeveien 16, 1792 Tistedal



Only 30 minutes from Halden and 25 minutes from Dals Ed, you will find an area with 6 cabins for rent as well as pitches for caravans, mobile homes and tents.
bokerodstranda.no



In an old forest outside Halden, you will find our two treetop cabins, Elghytta and Beverhytta. Take a stroll and explore the beautiful nature.
tretopphyttergrensen.no



Cabin rental in green surroundings.
Just a few hours away from city life, you can get deep into the forest in Halden - and get back in touch with the ground.
hafsrod.no



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Photographer: Henrik D. Meyer

Are you coming to Halden with a motorhome?

We offer parking in the town centre.

Halden Harbour Motorhome Parking
 Payment at machine, electricity, waste disposal station, picnic table, boat ramp
 Capacity: 6 motorhomes

Tyska Motorhome Parking
 Free parking
 Waste disposal station, fresh water, picnic table
 No electricity
 Capacity: 6 motorhomes

MOTELL SVINESUND-PARKEN

We offer refrigerators adapted for cross-border shopping – perfect for those who want to shop in bulk.



Halden - 6 min Sarpborg - 12 min Sweden - 5 min

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Shopping in Halden

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With Us you get inspiration and products within, among other things,

- Interior
- Gifts
- Children's clothing and equipment
- Souvenirs
- Candles and napkins
- Table settings



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Culture & events in 2026

What's happening in Halden?

Here is a selection of events in Halden in 2026.

For an updated overview, see the "What's on" calendar online.



June

5.	Bow & Arrow	Aladdin Stage
6.	The sun is shining with Silje and Martin	Cultural Centre
5-6.	Henning Kvitnes and Ole Evenrud: The Neighbor & Me	Brygga Kultursal
5-7.	National singing convention	Halden city centre
7.	Lauritsen Motorshow	Esso, Svinesund Park
8.	The Battle in the Water	Vadet beach
9.	Ringvald Olver Vik "A little boy from Tistedalen"	Cultural Centre
10.	Tough Times	Il Casolare
11.	Good Time BBQ Blues Band etc.	Feelgood
12.	Alice in Wonderland Forest	Fredriksten Fortress
13.	Summer concert with Søndre Berg Vocal	Berg Church
10-11.	Summer concert with Byparken Men's Choir	Byparken
14.	Drop-in sewing workshop	Halden Library
11-14.	Cars On The Farm	Gribsrød Farm
15.	Østfold Motorshow	Fredriksten Fortress
16.	Halden Day	Halden city centre
17.	Henning Kvitnes and Ole Evenrud: The Neighbor & Me	Brygga Kultursal
18.	Women's Motorshow	Fredriksten Fortress
19.	Spritz with Mario	Cultural Centre
20.	KOBLE: Summer kickoff for youth	Rødsberg youth school
21.	Jazz night with A. Thor, R. Poulson and F. Willmow	Vannvogna
19-20.	Henning Kvitnes and Ole Evenrud: The Neighbor & Me	Brygga Kultursal
22-26.	Dance Camp 2026	Cultural Centre
22.	Jazz night with Philip Granly Trio	Vannvogna
23.	Bruno & The Good News	Il Casolare
24.	Nautiluz Creation BassMeet gathering	Nautiluz Creation

Children's Stone Lab: every Tuesday to Friday throughout July at Fayegården
 Karaoke stage: every Friday and Saturday during summer at Vannvogna Concert & Art Hall
 Free cultural walk: every Thursday from June 7 to July 31 in Halden
 Halden Cruise Night: every Wednesday from May to September at Fisketorget
 Cars & Coffee: every Thursday from May to September at Fredriksten Fortress

July

2.	Summer Park	Busterudparken
3.	Tuka in Vika (SOLD OUT)	Sjøbua in Sponvika
4.	SOS - It's ABBA Time	Il Casolare
5.	Historical tour	Fredrikshald Theatre
6.	Summer Park	Busterudparken
7.	Historical tour	Fredrikshald Theatre
8.	Summer Park	Busterudparken
9.	Pride Week begins	Halden
10.	Historical tour	Fredrikshald Theatre
11.	Summer Park	Busterudparken
12.	Pride parade	Halden
13.	Historical tour	Fredrikshald Theatre
14.	Summer Park	Busterudparken

August

5-9.	Border Festival	Fredriksten Fortress
7.	Thore Pettersen	Il Casolare
10-14.	Dance Camp 2026	Cultural Centre
14-15.	Up at the Fortress	Fredriksten Fortress
15.	Border Ride	Halden and Strømstad
20.	Lords of Altamont + TBA	Siste Reis
21.	Market Square Concert 2026 with the Wind Ensemble	The Square
21.	Anne Soleil and Signe Dø	Vannvogna
22.	Cover up: Afterbeach	Il Casolare
22.	Årabrot + Grand Atomic	Siste Reis
29.	King for a Day Vol. 2 - A Magnus Uggla Tribute	Brygga Kultursal
29.	Jam'n Five	Il Casolare
29.	Children's World Days	Cultural Quarter
29.	Beer Festival	Tørst Bryggeri
30.	Coffee Sound Sessions: Lofi + Trip-hop	Café Erlandsen

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September

3.	Café Concert: Ragnhild Hemsing: VETRA	Cultural Centre
4.	Wind Ensemble with school bands	Brygga Kultursal
5.	Culture Night	Halden city centre
6.	Science Show	Brygga Kultursal
7.	The Simon and Garfunkel Story	Brygga Kultursal
8.	Magnus Grønneberg: songs from the kitchen table	Brygga Kultursal
9.	Café Concert: Jovan Pavlovic and Marius Preda	Cultural Centre
10.	Latino Nights Hot Salsa: Hovedøen Social Club	Vannvogna
11.	Cactus Flower: Martin Hagfors	Cultural Centre
12.	Wine walk	Halden city centre
13.	B16: In Motion	Brygga Kultursal
19-26.	Future Week	Halden city centre
14.	Ingvar Wilhelmsen: Boss of Your Own Life	Brygga Kultursal
23-26.	Panic at the Boarding House	Kulissemagasinet
15.	Espen Lee	Siste Reis
25-26.	The Musical Ingvar - a furniture tale	Brygga Kultursal
16.	Sverre Andre Nordli Stenersen	Cultural Centre
17.	MÆD with support: Ohmwork	Aladdin Stage
18.	Tistedalen Music Association with Ole Edvard Antonsen	Brygga Kultursal

October

3.	Todd Day Wait	Siste Reis Pub
4.	Take Eling With You	Brygga Kultursal
5.	Border Gathering Refuel	Fredriksten Fortress
6.	Execution Podcast	Siste Reis Pub
7.	Café Concert: Tuva Halse Quintet	Cultural Centre
8.	Communic & Mayfire	Aladdin Stage
9.	History Seminar	Fredrikshald Theatre
10.	Jazz night with GiFU	Vannvogna
11.	Tuesday and Thursday group activity day	Nexans Arena Halden

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Cars & Coffee: every Thursday from May to September at Fredriksten Fortress

October

18.	Accordion music on the pier	Brygga Kultursal
19.	Line dance Sunday	Byparken
20.	Herborg Kråkevik: Songbook	Brygga Kultursal
21.	Wind Ensemble: Back to the 70s	Brygga Kultursal
22.	Truls: From A to Å	Brygga Kultursal
23.	Wine & Vintage	Haldens Klub
24.	Your Song - A Tribute to Elton John	Brygga Kultursal
25.	Opera at Brygga: The cultural walking stick	Brygga Kultursal
26.	Tor Erik Gunstrøm: Rubber boots and good stories	Brygga Kultursal
27.	Anne Kat Hærland with Don't Panic 2.0	Vannvogna
28.	Unstoppable: Wilderness show with Lars Monsen	Brygga Kultursal
29.	Horror and Fright with Veslefrikk Theatre Workshop	Fredriksten Fortress
30.	All Saints Concert	Immanuel Cultural Church

November

1.	Hymns at the Pub	Brygga Kultursal
2.	Café Concert: Alex Rolton	Cultural Centre
3.	Wind Ensemble: Haydn and Mozart	Brygga Kultursal
4.	Bård Tuft Johansen: Trying to Stay Positive	Brygga Kultursal
5.	Ventriloquist Erik Mogeno	Brygga Kultursal
6.	Tango concert from Klassisk Halden	Vannvogna
7.	Jazz with Runa Vigger Trio	Vannvogna
8.	Christmas street opening	Halden city centre
9.	Latino Nights Hot Salsa: Suena Cuba LIVE	Vannvogna
10.	Dance With A Stranger	Brygga Kultursal
11.	Together for Halden	Immanuel Cultural Church
27-29.	Christmas market	Fredriksten Fortress
12.	Wind Ensemble: Handel's Messiah	Immanuel Cultural Church
13.	Jazz night with Skagge Larsen Quartet	Vannvogna
14.	Eva Weel Skram: Falling into calm, a Christmas concert	Brygga Kultursal
15.	Vinyl & CD Fair	Vannvogna
16.	Prøysen, Carpenter Andersen and the Christmas Elf	Brygga Kultursal

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2.	Spring Christmas	Brygga Kultursal
3.	Bjørn & Bjarte, the tough & the gentle	Brygga Kultursal
4.	Café Concert: Tine Thing Helseth Trio	Cultural Centre
5.	Christmas concert with the Wind Ensemble and Tuva Syvertsen	Brygga Kultursal
6.	Maria Mena	Brygga Kultursal
15-16.	Journey to the Christmas Star with Veslefrikk Theatre Workshop	Brygga Kultursal
7.	The Tenors and Steffen Horn - so have a Merry Christmas!	Brygga Kultursal
8.	Starry Night: A Christmas concert with Odd René Andersen	Brygga Kultursal



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- Aladdin Scene
- Cultural Centre in Halden
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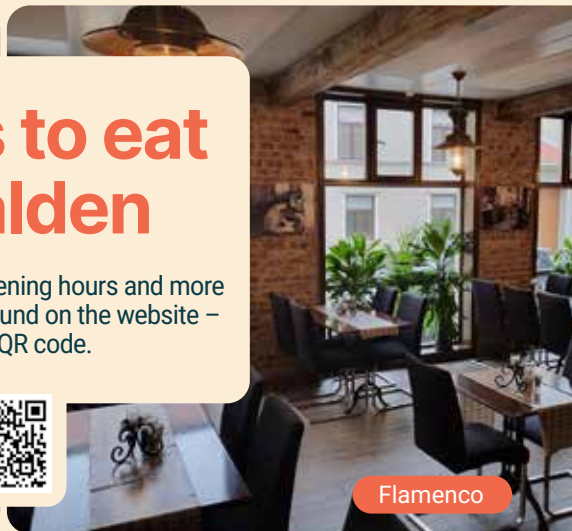
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Places to eat in Halden

Addresses, maps, opening hours and more information can be found on the website – scan the QR code.



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Restaurants in Halden

- Babylons Pizza Halden
- Bakgården Restaurant
- Brygga Mathus
- Burger King Tista Center
- Butts Bistro & Tandoori
- Campino Pizza House
- Dickens Restaurant
- Dragon House
- Flamenco
- Fredriksten Kroa
- Grotten at the Square
- Havna Restaurant
- Il Casolare
- Kebab Corner
- Kebab House
- Svinesundparken
- Kebabfabrikken
- Kokkekollektivet
- Marco Polo Pizza
- McDonald's
- Pizzabakeren Halden
- Rekecaféen
- Restaurant Bryggekanthen
- Restaurant Curtisen (pre-booking)
- Rice & Chopsticks
- Saigon
- Sjøbua in Sponvika
- Thinthan Thaifood
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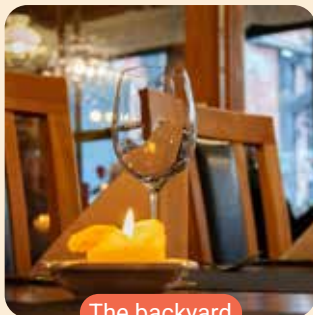
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- Kafé Erlandsen
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- FLAKK
- The Strawberry Girls
- Meeting Place Café
- The Cultural Centre
- Motz & Kringla Fisketorget
- Motz & Kringla Tista Center
- Motz & Kringla Brødløs

- Motz & Kringla Risum
- Motz & Kringla Tistedal
- The Museum Café
- Whytes Coffee



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Nightlife in Halden

Halden has a varied nightlife with bars and venues offering music, life and a great atmosphere.

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Halden is the town where motors, music and people meet.

Here, car culture thrives through cruising, classic cars, rockabilly and events that gather enthusiasts from across the country.

Why is Halden Norway's motor city?

Through several decades, Halden has built a car culture that is inclusive, vibrant and unique in a Norwegian context. When summer arrives, the streets fill with cruising, classic cars and people who share the same passion.

Not a gimmick, but a lifestyle

Halden is also one of the few Norwegian towns that actively keeps rockabilly culture and 1950s aesthetics alive. This era is carried forward through clothing, music, cars and the environment around the events.

The rockabilly scene influences both events and the city itself, giving Halden an authentic retro atmosphere that makes the motor experience more than just car meets. It is about culture, community and passion across generations.

Did you know?

Halden's strong classic car culture has historical roots in the post-war period, when the proximity to Sweden made importing American cars more accessible than in many other parts of Norway.



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Summer events

Halden Street Cruise Night

Every Wednesday at Fisketorget with AmCar and Street & Cruisin' Club Halden.

KNA Cars & Coffee

Every Thursday at Stevnesletta by Fredriksten Kroa.

Østfold Motorshow

13 June: Free car show for the whole family.

Women's Motorshow

14 June: A motorshow in Halden where women are in focus.

Border Meet

5-9 August: Five days filled with cruising, concerts, car meets and real motor atmosphere throughout Halden.

5 August, Wednesday: Opening at Fisketorget with Amcar Cruise Night, live music and fun.

6 August, Thursday: Photo safari to Båstnäs, cruise with MS Brekke, bus run and car parade in Byparken.

7 August, Friday: Lunch cruising and Queen of Hearts Ladies Cruise.

8 August, Saturday: Large brand meet around the town, youngtimer gathering at Fredriksten Fortress and concerts in Byparken.

9 August, Sunday: Main event, Border Meet at Fredriksten with exhibitions, awards and classic meeting places for motor enthusiasts.

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Did you know this about Halden?

The name Halden comes from the Old Norse word hallr or holl, which means "slope" or "hillside."

Halden was founded in 1665 and was originally called Fredrikshald, named after King Frederik III.

A real Viking discovery is located in the municipality. The Gjellestad ship is Norway's first new Viking ship discovery since 1904.

Halden has also made its mark in modern music history. Cashmere Cat, born Magnus August Høiberg, has produced music for some of the world's biggest artists.

Halden is mentioned in the national anthem and is the only city in Norway that can sing about itself.

The first Jarlsberg cheese was made in Halden, long before it became world famous.

"Purker" are the city's most distinctive baked goods – flat buns with a hole and strong local identity.

Fredriksten Fortress was never conquered, despite several attempts.

King Charles XII tried twice to take the city, without success.



The city was an industrial and shipping town long before industry became a buzzword.

In the 1950s, Halden was Norway's number one shoe town, and every fifth shoe in the country was produced here.

The Swedish king Charles XII was shot at Fredriksten Fortress in 1718 – a historical event still marked today.



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The Halden Canal is Norway's oldest canal system and is still in active use.

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Svinesund: the bridges that connect us

The old Svinesund Bridge opened on June 15, 1946 and stood 67 metres above the fjord. It became a symbol of the post-war period and created a direct connection between Norway and Sweden.

The new Svinesund Bridge, an impressive arch bridge of 704 metres, opened on June 10, 2005. The bridge has a main span of 247 metres, the roadway lies 61 metres above the water, and the arch reaches 92 metres – making it Northern Europe's highest bridge over a fjord. The building materials included local granite from the old bridge area, and the entire project was financed with tolls until 2021.

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Halden as an international knowledge hub

Halden has a long history of international industry and business, strengthened by its border location and good infrastructure. Companies such as IFE and Nexans have contributed to global collaboration and highly skilled jobs. Today, the city continues to build on this through IT and AI environments, and is host to many knowledge-sharing and forward-looking events

Are you coming to Halden by boat?

Free guest harbour spaces are available for short daytime visits. From the harbour, you have a short distance to shops, bakeries, hotels and restaurants.



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