

Experience Østerbro and Nordhavn

Welcome to Østerbro and Nordhavn - neighbourhoods where old meets new and classic meets contemporary. Neighbourhoods with strong global connections: international schools, embassies, and a large container port.

Enjoy fashionable Østerbro with a Parisian atmosphere in charming squares, wide streets and elegant buildings. Hang out in the many parks, cycle through old residential areas and experience almost rural idyll. See masterful architectural transformations of former industrial buildings in Nordhavn and explore the many local green initiatives such as rooftop farms, street gardens and urban nature. The neighbourhoods are full of surprises!

All routes are child-friendly with experiences suitable for all ages. Make sure to follow the cycling rules and have fun exploring Østerbro and Nordhavn the Copenhagen way.

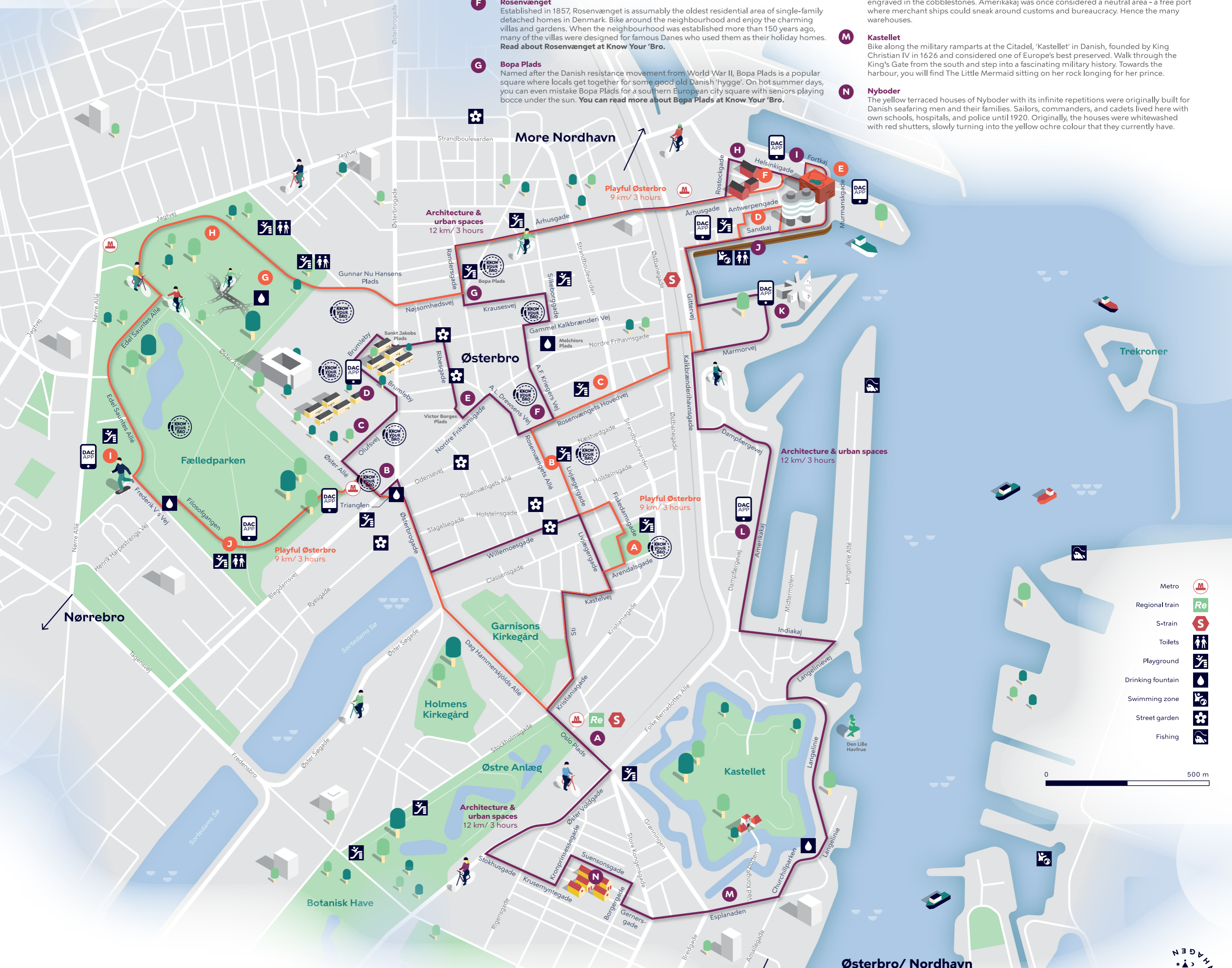
If you want to learn more about the places you pass on your way, find fascinating stories and great background information at Know Your 'Bro and in DAC App.

Architecture & urban spaces

Discover - or rediscover - Østerbro's unique urban spaces, where the needs of locals are met through progressive urban planning. Enjoy classic buildings, cosy or 'hyggelige' housing associations and charming squares. Explore Nordhavn, where new residential areas pop up in abandoned industrial zones. The maritime and industrial history is preserved and integrated in the development of Østerbro, adding to its cultural history and pioneering architectural features.

- A Østerport Station**
Østerport Station is one of Copenhagen's busiest transport hubs with metro, long-distance trains, and S-trains. Constructed back in 1897 and designed by Danish architect Heinrich Wenck, the historic station was built with half-timbering and holds onto its National Romantic style today.
- B Triangeln**
Triangeln, Danish for triangle, was once part of the city's fortification. The iconic building in the middle, between three major streets, was designed by the architect P. V. Jensen in 1907 and included toilets, a kiosk, and ticket sales. Today, Triangeln is an important traffic hub in Østerbro. **You can read more about Triangeln at Know Your 'Bro.**
- C Olufsvvej**
Olufsvvej is considered the Nyhavn of Østerbro with small cosy houses and traces of past craftsmanship. The street which consists of 41 colourful houses that all look different is known for its sinking houses due to the tilting facades. **You can read more about Olufsvvej at Know Your 'Bro.**
- D Brumleby**
Get off your bike and wheel it through Brumleby, a charming village of yellow houses established by the Danish Medical Association who wanted to create healthy and affordable housing for the working class following the cholera epidemic in Copenhagen in 1853. **You can read more about Brumleby in the DAC App or at Know Your 'Bro.**
- E Nordre Frihavnsgade**
Nordre Frihavnsgade is often highlighted as one of the best shopping streets in Copenhagen. Starting at Triangeln and continuing all the way to the harbour, it offers world-class shopping and fantastic cafes. Have a well-earned break at Victor Borges Plads from where you can soak up the Østerbro atmosphere.
- F Rosenvænget**
Established in 1857, Rosenvænget is assumably the oldest residential area of single-family detached homes in Denmark. Bike around the neighbourhood and enjoy the charming villas and gardens. When the neighbourhood was established more than 150 years ago, many of the villas were designed for famous Danes who used them as their holiday homes. **Read about Rosenvænget at Know Your 'Bro.**
- G Bopa Plads**
Named after the Danish resistance movement from World War II, Bopa Plads is a popular square where locals get together for some good old Danish 'hygge'. On hot summer days, you can even mistake Bopa Plads for a southern European city square with seniors playing bocce under the sun. **You can read more about Bopa Plads at Know Your 'Bro.**

- H Arhusgadekvarteret**
Arhusgade and the surrounding area is home to distinctive buildings like The Silo, Portland Towers and Frihavns Tårnet. The industrial past of the neighborhood, including Den Røde By, historic houses built with traditional red bricks, is clearly preserved. Nordhavn is built on 11 islets, ensuring a close tie to the water. **You can read more about Arhusgade in the DAC App.**
- I The Silo**
Most Copenhageners know The Silo due to the quirky graffiti on it - 'HVA DRIKKER MØLR' (What's Mølr drinking?) - an iconic feature of the lost industrial age. Once used to store grain, The Silo is today transformed into 17 storeys of 40 luxury apartments in addition to a hip restaurant at the top offering a breathtaking panoramic view.
- J Sandkaj**
Sandkaj, a long promenade with a bathing zone open to the public all year round, is nothing less than a recreational gem. Sandkaj is so popular among locals that the deck itself is not visible on a hot summer day. The distinctive Portland Towers are two silos combined, housing exclusive offices. The six hills of cement nearby attest to the old days where the silos were used for cement storage.
- K FN Byen**
The eight wings of UN City Copenhagen symbolically reach out to all corners of the globe with a total of 1,600 employees from 100 different nations. Inside the building, a black-lacquered staircase resembling a roller coaster connects all floors and departments in an organic manner. You can visit UN City on a guided tour through un.dk. **You can read more about UN City in the DAC App.**
- L Amerikakaj**
Hundreds of thousands of hopeful Danes travelled to the United States from Amerikakaj, Danish for America quay, during the 19th century. Many of the emigrants' names are engraved in the cobblestones. Amerikakaj was once considered a neutral area - a free port where merchant ships could sneak around customs and bureaucracy. Hence the many warehouses.
- M Kastellet**
Bike along the military ramparts at the Citadel, 'Kastellet' in Danish, founded by King Christian IV in 1626 and considered one of Europe's best preserved. Walk through the King's Gate from the south and step into a fascinating military history. Towards the harbour, you will find The Little Mermaid sitting on her rock longing for her prince.
- N Nyboder**
The yellow terraced houses of Nyboder with its infinite repetitions were originally built for Danish seafaring men and their families. Sailors, commanders, and cadets lived here with their own schools, hospitals, and police until 1920. Originally, the houses were whitewashed with red shutters, slowly turning into the yellow ochre colour that they currently have.



Playful Østerbro

Østerbro is a playful part of Copenhagen with harbour baths, green oases, innovative playgrounds, sandy beaches, and unique recreational spaces. Explore a family-friendly neighbourhood by bike and have fun at a unique local school yard open to the public after school hours. Go for a swim in the harbour at Sandkaj or jump into the water from the pier at Svanebølle beach.

Drive safely and be aware of large trucks on the construction sites!

- A Classens Have**
Well hidden in a residential area, you find Classens Have, a green oasis waiting to be explored. Relax under the chestnut trees, soak up the sun or enjoy a picnic while the city continues to buzz behind the walls. It has not always been an idyllic place, however, which the bunkers from World War II attest to. **You can read about Classens Have at Know Your 'Bro.**
- B Playground on Rosenvængets Allé**
In the heart of Rosenvængets Allé, you will find a lovely playground. Do somersaults, climb a castle, run from tower to tower on suspension bridges. Bike around the neighbourhood and enjoy the charming villas and gardens. **You can read more about Rosenvængets Allé at Know Your 'Bro.**
- C Strandbulevarden School**
Copenhagen has countless school yards that are open to the public on weekends and on weekdays after the last school break. The school yard at Strandbulevarden School is highly innovative, inviting children to learn, play and move in aesthetically beautiful surroundings.
- D Legehavet Sandkaj**
Legehavet Sandkaj is a maritime haven for all skipper aspirants between the age of 0-10. They can explore 'Kranen' (the Crane), Fragtskibet (the Cargo Ship) and 'Kongebøjen' (King of the Buoy) - all activities inspired by the surrounding harbour. Trampolines, hammocks and slides are free to use for children and other youthful spirits.
- E Konditaget Lüders**
On a rooftop by the waterfront, you can find a unique recreational space with trampolines, swings, and a 60-meter track on top of a multi-story car park. An architectural stroke of genius, providing locals with an open-air public gym with a magnificent view of the Øresund strait. **You can read more about Konditaget Lüders in the DAC App.**
- F Den Røde By**
Den Røde By, Danish for 'the red city', is a collection of historic buildings made of red bricks. They used to house heavy industry and were used for coal storage for years. Today, the buildings are transformed into housing, open workshops and cool restaurants. Hungry? Take a break and grab a bite in the historic setting. **You can read more about Den Røde By in the DAC App.**
- G Trafiklegepladsen**
Trafiklegepladsen, or the Children's Traffic Playground, is the perfect place for children of all ages to learn about traffic rules through fun and play.
- H Fælledparken**
Roll, skate, jump, swing, you name it - one of Copenhagen's largest parks, Fælledparken, invites you to exercise and play all year round. More than 11 million people use the park annually, including the celebrations on Labour Day, carnivals, and open-air summer dance classes. **You can read more about Fælledparken in the DAC App and at Know Your 'Bro.**
- I Fælledparken Skatepark**
Inaugurated in 1988 and modernised in 1996-98, Fælledparken Skatepark is one of Northern Europe's largest skate parks with its 4600 square meters. Skaters of all ages and levels are welcome to practise all days of the week - free of charge.
- J Tårnlegepladsen**
Tårnlegepladsen, Danish for 'the tower playground', is an iconic playground for the little ones, showcasing the towers and spires that make up Copenhagen's unique skyline.

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On 2 Wheels
Explore Copenhagen by bike





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DAC App

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Bring your bike on public transport

You can bring your bike on trains, metro and harbour buses. You are required to buy a ticket for your bike when you bring it on public transport. It is free to bring a bike with you on S-trains and harbour buses. Please note that certain restrictions apply during rush hour.



Visit Copenhagen's Guide to Østerbro and Nordhavn

Find more experiences at visitcopenhagen.com - here you will find restaurants and eateries for every taste and budget, as well as inspiration for museum experiences, attractions and more exciting places to explore.



Østerbro Street Gardens

Many locals in Østerbro take on climate responsibility, and some of these locals have in small communities created small street gardens with flower beds and plants along the streets to make Østerbro greener and to promote biodiversity. Admire the gardens from the bike as you ride around the neighbourhoods.



Playgrounds

Copenhagen is a child-friendly city with lots of activities and many exciting playgrounds for children of all ages.

Find an overview at www.international.kk.dk/playgrounds

More Nordhavn

Are you up for another adventure? Make sure to continue to Nordhavn. You will find a fishing port, a long-bearded wooden captain, open natural spaces, and foundry halls with exciting plans for the future.

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- A Tunnelfabrikken**
In this gigantic building, the concrete used to build the Øresund Bridge was cast in the 1990s. Back then, the coastline was located along Tunnelfabrikken, Danish for 'tunnel factory', making it possible to ship the production directly to the bridge. Today, the space is used for events of all sorts with more activities to come within art, culture and sports.
- B Captain Nalle**
Somewhere on Nordsøvej, you will find the long-bearded Captain Nalle dragging his boat. Nalle, an impressive creation made of wood by the Copenhagen based recycle art activist Thomas Dambo in collaboration with local volunteers, is worth a visit and so is his fellow giant trolls in the rest of Denmark. Find them on trollmap.com - happy hunting!

- C Fiskerihavnen**
Here at the very tip of Nordhavn with street names like Østersøvej (Baltic Sea), Nordsøvej (North Sea) and Kattegatvej (the Kattegat), the maritime scene is set with boat houses, fishing boats, shipyards and fishing yarns hung out to dry. Bike around and enjoy the unique atmosphere.
- D Nordhavnstippen (Nordhavnsparken)**
Experience urban wildlife on Nordhavnstippen with grazing sheep, birds of passage and croaking toads. Copenhagen will soon get a new park, Nordhavnsparken, north of this one by the size of Fælledparken, which is one of the city's largest parks. Though the park is not yet designed, the visions are great and expectations high.



Safety first!

With more than **386 km** of bike lanes to explore, Copenhagen is best experienced on two wheels. Make sure to read the following tips from us to you before exploring.

Though a helmet is not required by law, it is highly recommended.

- 1. A regular bike is designed for one rider only.**
- 2. Always keep right - except when passing - and don't bike on pavements and pedestrian crossings.**
- 3. Raise your hand to signal a stop. Signal right or left before turning.**
- 4. Don't forget your lights. They are required by law from dusk to dawn.**
- 5. Any use of a handheld mobile phone while biking is prohibited.**

Green Østerbro

Copenhagen has one of the world's most ambitious climate policies with a goal of being the first carbon-neutral capital by 2025. Explore how climate-adapted neighbourhoods are designed for the future in a fun and playful way for the benefit of both locals and visitors. Experience how tiny street gardens sprout in unexpected places. Get fit on top of a building overlooking the city's skyline and discover neighbourhoods with fascinating buildings that combine innovative architecture and sustainability.

- A UN City Copenhagen**
In 2008, all organisations under the United Nations in Copenhagen were assembled under one roof - UN City Copenhagen. Sustainability is a key aspect here, reducing energy consumption significantly with solar cells and cooling with seawater. UN City Copenhagen has received the European Commission's Green Building Award. You can read more about UN City in the DAC App.
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- C Århusgade - and the surrounding area**
Århusgade and the surrounding area is a green laboratory with its low-energy housing using both geothermal energy and seawater cooling systems. Nordhavn is one of Scandinavia's largest sustainable urban developments. Enjoy one of the green pocket parks in the neighbourhood or jump in the harbour from the promenade Sandkaj. You can read more about Århusgade in the DAC App.
- D Copenhagen International School**
Copenhagen International School combines sustainability and architecture in an exciting manner with buildings resembling stacks of shipping containers. Solar cells in shades of blue and green account for more than half of the school's energy consumption. The data collected is used in the teaching of the approx. 900 children from all corners of the world. You can read more about Copenhagen International School in the DAC App.
- E Svanemølleværket**
Ride along the harbour towards Svanemølleværket, an iconic power plant from 1953. On the opposite side of the harbour, you will find Danish architect Jørn Utzon's Paustian House and two old coal cranes, one of which is now transformed into a hotel room. Turn left before the gas station and wheel your bike through the sailing club FREM dating back to 1897. Continue along the harbour, where you can find rowing and sailing clubs, sea scouts, and winter bathing associations.

- F Svanemøllestranden**
On a hot summer day, the highly popular Svanemøllestranden, or Svanemølle beach, established in 2010, is packed with Copenhageners trying to escape the heat. A long pier with an equally long bench extends into the Sound, providing great diving opportunities in addition to a magnificent view of the city.
- G Det Vilde Hus**
Det Vilde Hus, or The Wild House, is a sculptural manifestation of local passion and creativity. In collaboration with Thomas Dambo, a Copenhagen based recycle art activist known for his wooden giants, the house was built in just five days by tireless volunteers together with the City of Copenhagen. The house is a meeting point for green and sustainable activities - and everyone is welcome to join!
- H Courtyards of the future (Askøgade)**
Sneak into one of the courtyards of the future on Askøgade. Explore how a courtyard can be designed to manage cloudbursts and how large amounts of rain can be utilised for recreational purposes such as watering and play.
- I ØsterGRO**
On Åbeløsgade, spinach and cabbage grow into the sky. ØsterGRO is Denmark's first rooftop farm, supplying Copenhageners with organic ingredients grown locally by staff and volunteers. The rooftop farm also has bees, chickens, and rabbits. You can read more about ØsterGRO at Know Your 'Bro.
- J Klimakvarter - the climate resilient neighbourhood**
Klimakvarter is Copenhagen's first climate resilient neighbourhood with urban spaces like Tåsinge Plads and Skt. Kjelds Plads that combine rainwater management and 'wild' nature into a green oasis. The planting density at Tåsinge Plads is so high that it is referred to as 'the rainforest'. The sound of wild monkeys, however, is replaced with the sound of children playing. You can read more about Klimakvarter in the DAC App and at Know Your 'Bro.
- K Østre Gasværk**
You find one of Copenhagen's most impressive theatres, Østre Gasværk, inside an old gas plant. The building was designed by Martin Nyrop, the architect of Copenhagen City Hall, and immortalised by the national rock and pop icon Kim Larsen (1945-2018), in a song that made Østre Gasværk known throughout the country. You can read more about Østre Gasværk at Know Your 'Bro.



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