PRACTICAL INFORMATION - lodging

5 **Norsjø Holiday Park** is one of the country's finest campgrounds with a wide range of activities available. The campground is located about 20 minutes from Bø Sommarland and the Norsjø golf course. www.norsjo-ferieland.no

Lystang Camping is idyllically situated next to the wildlife sanctuary for birds at Nautesund, centrally locaed in the eastern Telemark Canal area. This campground is a fantastic vantage point for canal activities such as boating. www.lystang.no

Notodden Camping is located about 2.5km from the middle of Notodden, near the Heddøla river and Notodden's small airport. www.notoddencamping.com

Slippen på Notodden is a particularly unique and amusing lodging alternative in the old Telemark Canal raftsmen's barracks. There are 10 beds and a boat dock as well as parking for boat trailers.

9 **Munken** is an island in the southern part of lake Norsjø. Today's owners have built a wonderful restaurant, and cabins can be rented as lodging. www.munken-turist.no

Little Ulefos is in its style, design, and area a copy of the Ulefos Hovedgaard. Little Ulefoss can be rented for celebrations, business events, and much more. There are over 40 beds, and a bed-and-breakfast is offered throughout the year. www.lilleulefos.no

Norsjø Youth Hostel at Akkerhaugen has a great view over lake Norsjø, with playplaces for children and a child-friendly beach. www.norsjo.no

Teksten Camping at Gvarv offers swimming in beautiful natural surroundings and a quiet atmosphere. There are great places for swimming and other activities on the river. www.barnascamping.no

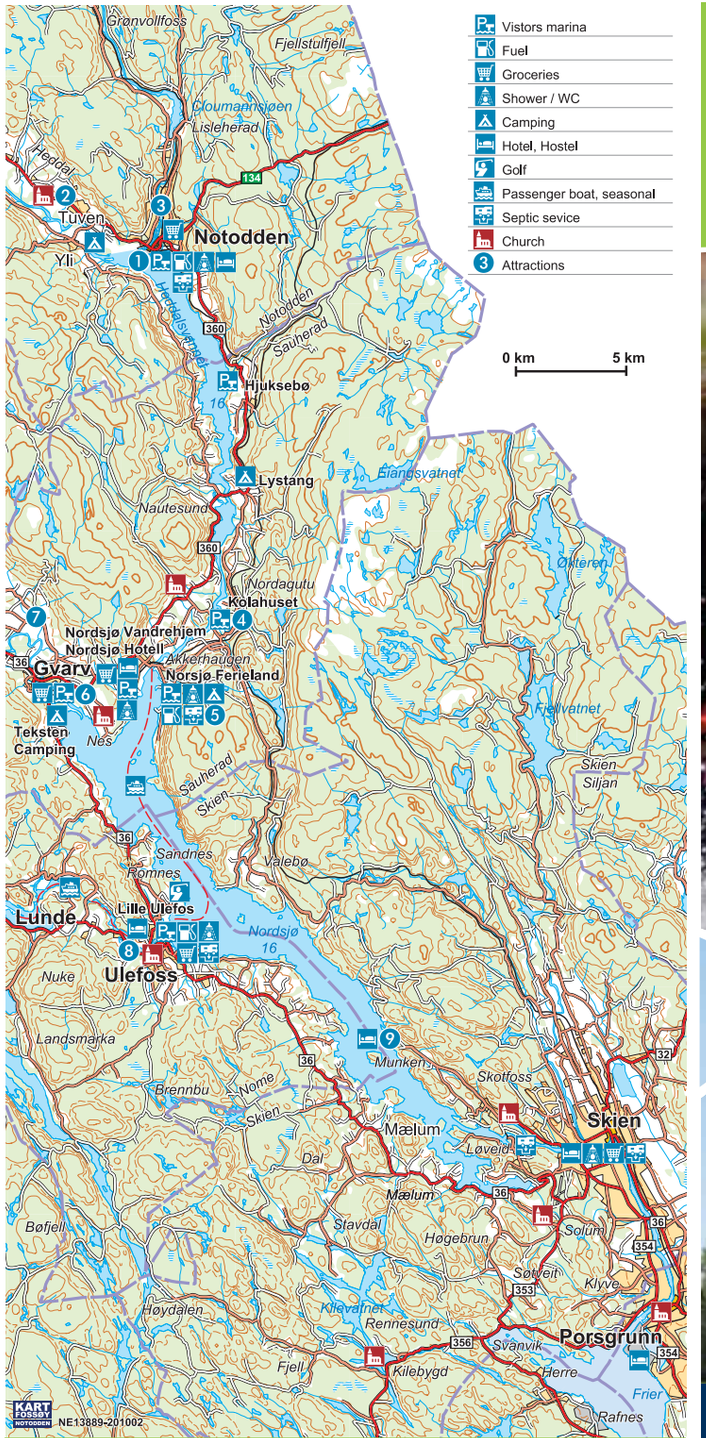
Brattrein hotell
www.brattrein.no
Norlandia Telemark Hotell,
Notodden
www.telemark.norlandia.no

BOAT DOCKS FOR VISITORS

- Notodden
- Hjuksebø
- Kullhuset
- Akkerhaugen
- Norsjø Holiday Park
- Gvarv Harbor
- Ulefos Boat Dock

A boating map which can be purchased in Skien, at the Ulefos or Hogga locks, or at the Akkerhaugen Boat Club is recommended for those who come with their own boat.

Visit www.telemarkskanalen.no for more information about the Telemark Canal, including opening times and practical information regarding the operation of the locks. For more destinations and activities in Telemark visit:
www.visittelemark.no
www.midt-telemark.com



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THE TELEMARK CANAL

Destinations and Activities on the Telemark Canal East

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1 NOTODDEN

The cozy and intimate "city of blues", Notodden, is picturesquely located on on the northern end of lake Heddalsvannet. There are shops, restaurants, cinemas, galleries, museums, concerts, wine and spirit shops, pubs, and convenient public transportation using the bus or train. www.notodden.no

The first weekend in August is annually witness to the transformation of Notodden's downtown into a pulsing blues arena as the population triples with visitors. Notodden's Blues Festival is the largest blues festival in northern Europe. www.bluesfest.no

The well-known Norwegian aluminum and renewable energy company, Norsk Hydro, has its company museum in Notodden, located next to lake Heddalsvannet in the center of Notodden.

2 HEDDAL STAVE CHURCH (HEDDAL STAVKYRKJE)

The Heddal Stavkyrkje is Norway's largest stave church – a masterpiece of wood built around 1250 AD. Lonely Planet ranks this "wooden cathedral" as the point of interest in Norway second only to Oslo. Heddal's Farmyard, only a stone's throw away from the church, is an open-air museum featuring buildings from Norway's bygone agricultural society.
www. heddalstavkjrkje.no
www.heddalbygdetun.no

3 UPPER TINFOS

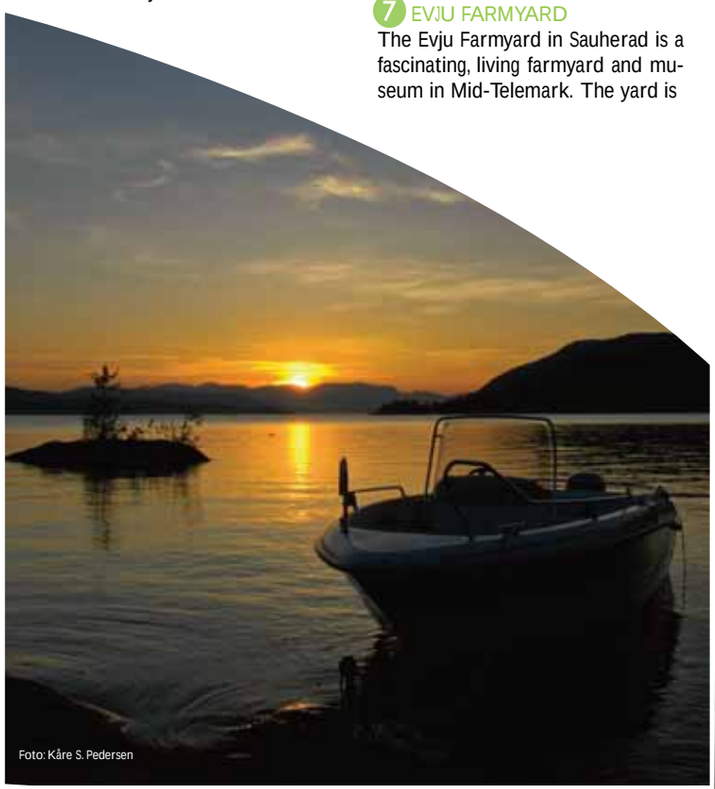
The cultural and industrial area of Tinfos is a unique area where old an new art as well as culture and industry are found hand in hand. The Telemark Gallery (Telmarksgalleriet), Studio K, Notodden Soccer Area, Tinfos Swimming Pool, and the Health Center are all located here. www.telemarksgalleriet.no
www.studio-k.biz

4 NATURLANDSBYEN

Near Krokmannsevju not far from the Kullhuset is Naturlandsbyen, a culturally historical intersection – a place used during the Stone Age and Viking era up to the modern era. It presently hosts small business events (up to 25 participants). Topics encompass, for example, fire and controlled burning in cultural history – a topic which can be combined with real-time trainings.
fyr&flamme@naturlandsbyen.no

THE M/S TELEMARK AND NORSJØ HOTEL

Every day in the summer, the M/S Telemark sets out from Norsjø Hotel's pier. The trip follows a route over the beautiful lake Norsjø and up the Ulefoss, Eidsfoss, and Vrangfoss locks all the way to Lunde. In addition to having its own canal boat, , the Norsjø Hotel is well-known for its delicious culinary arts as well as its good service. The hotel is happy to tailor trips for its guests to other destinations in Telemark as well.
www.norsjohotell.no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5 WAKEBOARDING AND THE PIRATE SHOW AT NORSJØ HOLIDAY PARK

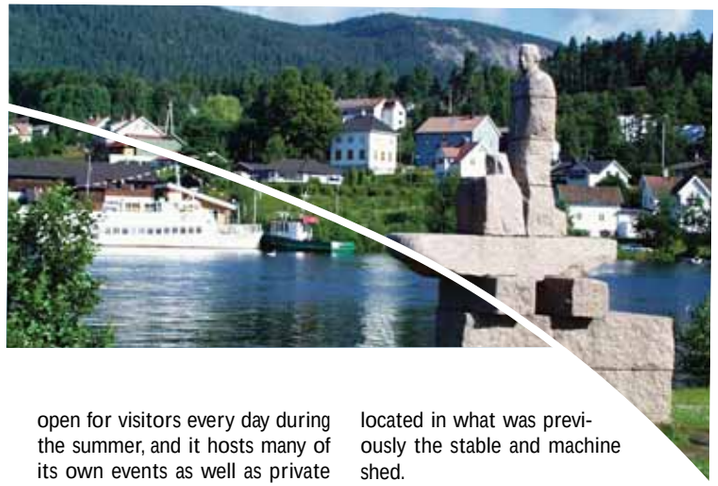
Norsjø Holiday Park won "Norway's Best Campground" in 2005, a prize given by the Norwegian Camping Club. Norsjø continues to be one of Norway's finest campgrounds. Activities around for the entire family, including a cable pull for water sports and a pirate show.
www.norsjo-ferieland.no

6 GALLERIES AND EXHIBITIONS IN SAUHERAD

Sauherad is one of Norway's highest artist-pro-capita towns. Many exhibitions in galleries are to be seen throughout the summer, as well as many private ateliers.
www.kunstnerhuset.no,
www.gallerinyhus.no
www.eventyrvin.no

7 EVJU FARMYARD

The Evju Farmyard in Sauherad is a fascinating, living farmyard and museum in Mid-Telemark. The yard is open for visitors every day during the summer, and it hosts many of its own events as well as private events. www.evjutunet.no



8 ULEFOS HOVEDGAARD

The Ulefoss Hovedgaard is counted as the most important architechtural work in Norway representing the emperial era. It was built by Niels Aal, who later became Norway's first foreign minister in 1807. Today, the Ulefoss Hovedgaard is a museum, and there is also a wagon museum exhibiting various driving and traveling equipment from that time period on the farm as well as a restored basement, playroom, and greenhouse. The main building is surrounded by a large park in the English style. The Gallery Fjøset is located in what was previously the stable and machine shed.

ACTIVITIES

Several bicycle routes and many well-marked hiking trails are to be found throughout the area. The eastern Telemark Canal area is excellently suited for boating, either in a canoe or kayak. Canoe rentals can be found in "Slippen på Notodden" in Notodden, as well as at Norsjø Holiday Park. Bicycle rental is located at "Syklisten" in Notodden. It is also good fishing in the Telemark Canal East, pike and trout are the most common fishes. It is also possible to play golf at Norsjø golf park.