



Outside view to the moat that encircles the tiny, but very rich Voergaard Castle.



Close up view to one of the castles living rooms with a lot of secret cultural treasures from France and the period of Louis 14th of France.

## From Rags to Riches

*Danish accountant, Ejner Oberbech-Clausen inherited fabulous riches by marrying a French Countess, acquired Renaissance Voergaard Castle and filled it with priceless art treasures from France and the rest of the world.*

Board your coach and drive north; amongst the trees and behind a wide moat is your destination, Voergaard Castle, Demarks most beautiful Renaissance Castle. It houses the scariest ghost stories and the largest private collection of French art and artefacts.

The Castle's decorations and furnishings are just as its last owner, Count Oberbech-Clausen, left them. It was he who created the large collection of furniture, antiques, paintings, porcelain and silverware from his possessions in France, including treasures from Louis XIV, Louis XVI and Marie-Antoinette's personal effects as well as works by Rubens, Raphael, Goya and El Greco.

The Count had made his fortune in France by marrying the widow of Count Chenu-Lafitte, Countess Marie Henriette Lafitte, daughter of the famous surgeon Péan. Most of the castle's extensive art collection comes from these two families who bought items no longer in the possession of the French Royal Family following the French Revolution. Returning to Denmark in the 1950s, he bought Voergaard Castle and installed this fabulous collection. In 1963 Oberbech-Clausen died and Voergaard was converted into a family trust, the aim of which is to preserve the castle and keep the art collection open to the public in perpetuity.

Returning to the coach we continue to Voer church, where previous owners of Voergaard Castle rest, including the noblewomen Ingeborg Skeel, a wealthy landowner and County Sheriff. She owned and resided at Voergaard between 1588 and 1591, during this period she establish a mausoleum at the church in her and her husband's honour.

### **Deluxe Option:**

An extended deluxe experience: A refreshment break in the Castle's Great Hall where you will be served Lafitte wine, imported from the French Vineyards of the former Count, and locally produced Danish cheese.

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Duration	Stops
40 min	Drive to Voergaard Castle
70 min	Inside visit at Voergaard Castle
10 min	Drive to Voer Church
20 min	Inside visit at Voer Church and Cemetery
40 min	Drive to the pier

## Note:

- Tour duration: 3 hours
- Tour may operate in reverse order
- Walking is on uneven terrain and cobblestones
- Not recommended for physically challenged guests
- Comfortable walking shoes recommended
- Not recommended for wheelchair users



Outside view to Voer Church which history dates back to 1100 after Christ.