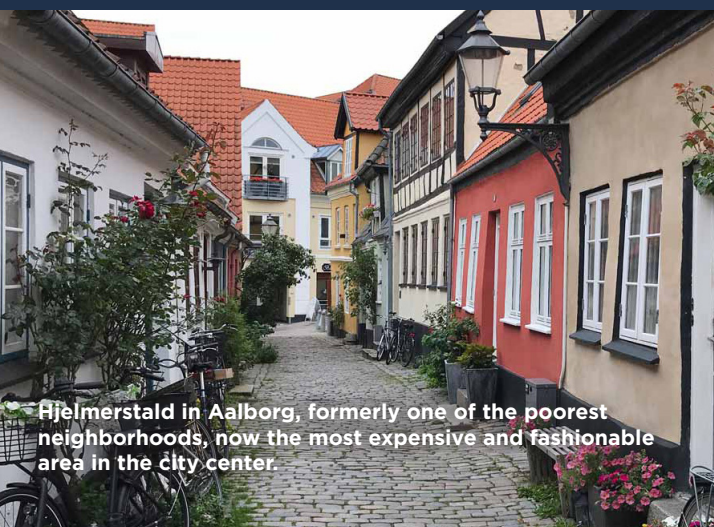




Jens Bang Stonehouse from 1624, is one of many spectacular well preserved old buildings in Aalborg.



Hjelmerstald in Aalborg, formerly one of the poorest neighborhoods, now the most expensive and fashionable area in the city center.

# Historic Aalborg Walking Tour

*Take a walk through the streets of Aalborg and experience history at close range. Renaissance mansions, Baroque – and modern architecture and shady dungeons... Aalborg has it all!*

Starting at Toldbod Plads, we pass Jørgen Olufsen's House, the best-preserved Renaissance merchant's house to be found in Denmark. A few metres down the street, you will see another of the real treasures of Aalborg, Jens Bang's House, built in 1624 by the half brother to Jørgen Olufsen. This five-story, ornate, Renaissance mansion was the largest private home in Scandinavia and a slap in the face for the 17-century establishment.

Passing the lovely baroque style Town Hall dating back to 1762, we continue on to Budolfi Cathedral. The snow-white cathedral was first built in the late 1300's, but did not become a cathedral until 1554. Though white and plain on the outside, the cathedral is surprisingly ornate, beautiful and colourful on the inside.

Your next visit is to Aalborg Monastery built in 1431, belonging to the French Hospital Order of the Holy Ghost. The Aalborg Monastery cared for the sick, the old and orphans. It is one of the oldest, preserved medieval establishments and the oldest social institution in Denmark. It contains beautiful early 16-century frescoes and now serves as a home for senior citizens.

Along the way, you will pass Virgin Ane Street. Despite the pious name, this unique street is entirely devoted to bars, nightclubs, and discotheques, the pulsating hub of Aalborg's nightlife. On your way through the old town to the harbour, notice how Aalborg, like many other Danish cities, has revived its waterfront. Demolished its old industrial edifice and replaced it with new and exciting architecture, such as the new Utzon Centre from 2008, designed by the Danish architect Jørn Utzon, also known for his design of the opera house in Sydney.

On your way back to the quay, we pass through Aalborg Castle, near the waterfront. A half-timbered castle built by King Christian III in the mid 1500s, initially as a fortification. Visit the castle courtyard, hear more about this unique castle and pay a visit to its dungeons and underground passages, before returning to your ship.



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Duration	Stops
10 min	Walk to the fountain
5 min	Pass Jørgen Olufsen's House
15 min	Walk to Jomfru Ane Gade and the Latin Square
30 min	Visit at the Monastery of the Holy Ghost
10 min	Walk via C.W. Obels Plads and Gammeltorv to Budolfi Cathedral
20 min	Visit Budolfi Cathedral
20 min	Walk to the Townhall and Jens Bangs Stonehouse
25 min	Walk to Franciscan Monastery and Hjelmertald - Outdoor visit
25 min	Walk to Aalborg Castle and visit the dungeons
15 min	Walk to Utzon Center for an outdoor visit
5 min	Walk back to the pier

**Note:**

- Tour duration: 3 hours
- The 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
- Churches cannot be visited, if religious services are in progress



Inside look from Aalborg Cathedral, St. Budolfi, which is the most intimate and the only snow-white cathedral in Denmark.