Selected events on Samsø in 2020



Feb 14 Nordby Food and Street Kitchen Festival

More than 10 local chefs allow their imagination to flourish cooking exciting dishes. In addition, talented chefs visit from all over Denmark.

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May 8 Samsø Cup 2020
May 9 Samsø offers supr

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Samsø offers supreme conditions for sea trout fishing, and with a coast line of more than 120 kilometres of beautiful littoral stretches rich in fish, meaning there is room for lots of participants. And with everything from fiords to spectacular open coasts round the whole island, it is never difficult to find a sheltered place.



May 16 Samsøs bedste kartoffelmad

For the ninth year running the island's restaurants will participate in the competition to create "Samsøs bedste kartoffelmad". The audience can build their own sandwiches, whilst having a nice chat with their fellow participants. The panel of judges consists of famous names from the national food and restaurant industry.



Open by Night in Tranebjerg

The town's stores will be open late plus there is entertainment for both children and adults. Grab a bargain, take part in competitions and sample some of the delicious food.



Viking encounter at Kanhavekanalen

The Vikings camp at Kanhavekanalen, where they will provide a vivid insight into life on Samsø as it was more than 1,000 years ago. Visitors will be able to try out Viking tools, discover the flavours and scents of the time, watch the slaughter of Gutefår (an ancient breed of sheep) and generally experience this fascinating period up close. Viking food and mead can be purchased on site.



Black Bay Board Festival

High class street art, free style skate performance, graffiti showdown, cool DJs, break dance battle and, of course, a long board marathon across beautiful Samsø.





June 1 + during summer

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June 14

Celebration of the Ballebjerg Tower

In 1920, Chairman of the Parish Council Morten Madsen erected the white, octagonal tower at the top of Ballebjerg - the highest point on the island. Nordby Sogns Citizens' Association celebrates the centenary of the inauguration on 1 June and throughout the summer.



June 6 Sommer i By (Summer in Town)
June 7 Fach year on the first Sunday follo

Each year on the first Sunday following Pentecost, local residents ride "Sommer i By". Beautifully decorated horses and their riders ride through Nordby with banners and flags. The horses are followed by a parade with horse carriages and elegantly dressed passengers. To mark the parade there will be a party, a collective dinner, music and fun in Nordby.



Samsø Classic Pro-Am by Samsø Festival

Samsø Golf Club hosts the Samsø Classic Pro-Am by Samsø Festival. The tournament is part of the ECCO Tour, the leading golf tour in Scandinavia. Two days of Pro-Am are played with 36 teams and on the Wednesday there is a final round for the top 30 professional players. Spectators are very welcome.



Strikkeweekend (Knitting Weekend)

Bring your knitting gear, your friends and your family to Samsø for an educational and cosy weekend centred around knitting. Participate in one of the interesting workshops, visit the yarn market or take a look at the knitwear exhibition.



June 13 Samsø ULTRA

The idea is that the race is as simple and uncomplicated as possible. The social element and general feeling of togetherness are both given pride of place. It caters chiefly for those who want to do something different from what they usually do. The race includes several distances with 100 kilometres as the longest distance, and half-marathons as the shortest.



Samsø Råvarefestival (Samsø Produce Festival)

This year the traditional "Samsø Råvarefestival" will be held in June. Participate in celebrating Samsø's great specialities and produce. Food samples, entertainment, markets, activities for the entire family and much more. On Saturday evening, there will be a big party as well as the Tug of War Championship of Samsø.



June 21 Danish Mølledag (Mill Day)

Dansk Mølledag draws attention to the country's old wind turbines, thereby increasing the understanding of the preservation of this part of our cultural heritage. On Samsø you can visit Brundby Stubmølle and Kolby Mølle, which for the occasion has a beautiful and festive programme.





June 27 to

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July 16

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KUNSTØ (Island of Art)

An awesome week for anyone who loves art and unique experiences. Symposia, workshops, exhibitions and artist talks are the foundation of the week, where you can meet Danish and foreign artists, take in a lot of art, talk to the artists and other interested parties, eat delicious food and enjoy Samsø's natural surroundings.

June 30 Samsø Childrens' Culture Festival July 1

Samsø Childrens' Culture Festival is an initiative where children and families can enjoy themselves, engaging with music, entertainment, theatre, dance, literature, gymnastics, rhythmics, and movement in intimate surroundings and across several days.



Samsø Pianofestival

With the Samsø Piano Festival, the music house Toftebjerg presents a wide range of music from the piano world with internationally acclaimed pianists in unique surroundings. In 2020, the program will feature: Thorson & Thurber, Heghine Rapyan, Gustav Piekut, Christodoulos Georgiades and Luca Sestak.



July 9 **Ballen Market**

> Ballen Citizens Association invites everyone to the annual market in Ballen. Find a bargain with the many shopkeepers. Coffee, waffles, ice cream, beer, wine, food and sausages on sale.



July 11 Samsø Tractor Pulling

> If you like roaring machines, horsepowers by the bundle, smoke and noise, then Samsø Traktortræk is for you. Participants will come from Samsø and throughout Denmark, and will compete in multiple classes; from the very heavy monster machines to ordinary garden tractors. A action packed day for the entire family.



July 12 Samsø Family Run

> Come and race in Samsø's lovely nature. There are 2 km for children, and both 5 km and 10 km for adults. All routes start and finish at Kanhave. It is free to participate.



Samsø Festival

The sunshine island of Samsø reaches boiling point when the cosiest festival in Denmark takes place in week 29. 6,000 happy guests gather for four days to enjoy plenty of good music, cold draught beer and parties with new and old friends. Look forward to, among others, Rasmus Seebach, MALURT, Alphabeat and Scarlet Pleasure.



July 19 July 20 July 21

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Aug 1 Aug 2

Sep 4

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Sep 6

Summer opera on Samsø - by Søholm Opera

Opera is storytelling - complete stories - about people and emotions swathed in moving, stimulating, beautiful and sometimes disturbing music. Again this year, Samsø is transformed into a backdrop and a stage for opera and beautiful singing. Danish and international opera stars perform side by side with new, young talent in opera performances around the island.



July 23 **Samsø Jazzfestival**July 24 The programme emi

The programme emphasises a high artistic standard, stylistic diversity and a mix of established names and younger talent which, on Samsø, gathers for mutual inspiration. The programme consists of six concerts in three days.



Old-Fashioned Market by the Museum

Here you can experience market fun and songstresses. You can listen to street organs and troubadours. You can ride the carousel, fish in the duck pond and do other traditional things from jolly old times. Old-fashioned pastries and Bavarian beer will be served, and the market stalls will sell all kinds of stuff.



July 31 **Summer in Tranebjerg**

The town's stores will be open late plus there is entertainment for both children and adults. Grab a bargain, take part in competitions and sample some of the delicious food.



Samsø Veteran Tractor Rally

Look, feel and hear the beautiful and well-maintained tractors from the good old days. Activities include harvesting with a reaper-binder and a threshing machine as well as an exhibition of vintage vehicles and various machines. Talk to collectors about their great passion.



Aug 22 Samsø Marathon

Exercisers with a taste for beautiful nature can participate in "Denmark's most cosy marathon". The 42 kilometre route covers most of the island and leads you along the coast, through the idyllic small towns and over a "hill from hell" with a height of around 800 metres.



Folkedybet

Samsø invites to a folk festival for popular movements in Denmark, those working for a sustainable world. The exchange of ideas, visions and concrete plans will be at the centre of a festive weekend with a mass of committed people.



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Sep 5 Organic Harvest Market at Samsø Bryghus

Some of Samsø's organic farmers and producers talk about the production of ducks, vegetables, fruits, eggs, pressed apple juice and beer. Get to know CSA (community supported) agriculture and the Agricultural Foundation. Buy the delicious organic products and enjoy an organic meal, a beer, juice and coffee.



Sep 11 Samsø Darts Open

Samsø Dart Club is hosting the Samsø Open for the 31st time. The competition, with its ca. 450 participants is Denmark's largest club-organised darts event and the days in the halls offer plenty of excitement for both participants and spectators.



Embroidery Weekend

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Expert embroiderers share knowledge and enthusiasm for needle and yarn and beginners as well as experienced embroiderers participate in some of the many different workshops. There are also stalls to inspire and with goods for sale.



Oct 10 Energy and House Trade Show

Brdr. Stjerne in Besser hosts an energy and house trade show where interested house owners can study the latest initiatives in the field of energy friendly solutions for private homes.

Suppliers and local craftsmen will explain about everything from smart wood burning stoves, heat pumps, and solar cell systems on the roof as well as house renovation in general.



Oct 11 Chestnut Festival

Craftsmen, artists and local producers present their autumn products by the old grocery store in Nordby. First and foremost, we pay tribute to the edible chestnut as well as other nuts with information on varieties, propagation, sales and stalls. There will also be room for many other autumn products, artistic performances and children's activities.



Oct 14 Halloween Race in the Samsø Maze

During the Danish autumn half-term break, we open up for nocturnal adventure in the World's Biggest Maze. Brave people may meet with a very special experience in their attempts to find their way out in pitch darkness. Dare you accept this challenge?



Oct 15 **Great Pumpkin Day**

For many years, Samsø has been a major supplier of Halloween pumpkins to the rest of Denmark, and when autumn hits, the fields light up with a pretty orange glow. In October, the pumpkin is particularly celebrated on Great Pumpkin Day where children and adults alike can have a great time carving pumpkins and taking home their works of art.





Oct 17 Samsø goes to the dogs
Oct 18 A whole weekend starring

A whole weekend starring man's best friend. The programme offers dog dancing, rally obedience and not least the crowning of Samsø's cutest dog. All bipeds have free access to the Samsø Sports Hall and you do not need a dog to take a look.



Nov 20 **Voices in the dark**

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Three days of readings, debates and other events - all having the dark in common. The darkness in ourselves, in others and in the world around us. Danish and foreign writers share share their voices in the dark of winter on Samsø.



Lighting of the Christmas Tree and Black Friday in Tranebjerg
The biggest Christmas tree on the island is lit in front of the
town hall, Anton Rosens Hus. There will be songs from the
choir, Gløgg (mulled wine), pastries, and presents for the
children. The stores are open with good deals on Black Friday.



Dec 5 Christmas in Nordby
Dec 6 The town and shops at

The town and shops are beautifully decorated and the North Island oozes Christmas. There is a Christmas market with many exciting stalls, restaurants, shops and cafés and some of the artists open the doors to their studios.



A Christmas Celebration - by Søholm Opera

Søholm Opera celebrates Christmas and welcomes, among others, the Opera Chorus of The Danish National Opera and the Prince's Music Corps (brass band) as well as the group 'Amazing Christmas' with the incomparable singers Andrea Pellegrini, Sinne Eeg and Christina Boelskifte.

