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National Park Village, Geilo

Geilo is located at the top of the Hallingdal valley, and is the portal to two National Parks: Hallingskarvet and Hardangervidda. With Geilo as a starting point, you have short distance to both rough mountains, wide nature and the beautiful fjords.

HALLINGSKARVET NATIONAL PARK

Hallingskarvet is a majestic mountain massif, which stretches from Finse in the west to Geilo in the east. The characteristic landscape element offers many fine trails and versatile hiking opportunities. Hallingskarvet was also the home of the famous philosopher and mountaineer Arne Næss, who built the cabin called Tvergastein.

The Irish Lord John Garvagh also had a love for Hallingskarvet, and who, in his time built Lordehytta cabin, located at 1,620 m.a.s.l. in Folarskaret. Both places are beloved and well-known hiking destinations.



HARDANGERVIDDA NATIONAL PARK

HALNEKONGEN

BOAT

Hardangervidda is Northern Europe's largest mountain plateau and one of Norway's largest National Parks. It is a fantastic hiking area and an important place for the largest wild reindeer herd in Europe. It is also the southernmost outpost for the arctic fox, snow owl and many species of arctic plants and animals. Hardangervidda is a popular destination, year-round.

FJORD, PLATAEU, AND MOUNTAINS

Experience fjords and mountains on the same day. From Geilo, it takes under two hours to Eidfjord in the west, where you can experience Vøringsfossen waterfall or the fjords in Aurland and Flåm in the north.

If you cycle the Navvy Road (Rallarvegen), you can experience one of Norway's most beautiful bike rides. Start at Haugastøl, at 1,000 m.a.s.l., with beautiful vies. Follow the Bergen Railway and the Flåm Railway, before it ends up at the fjords in Flåm 2 meter a.s.l. A hike down Aurlandsdalen valley is also strongly recommended!

STAY BY THE NATIONAL PARKS

Halne Fjellstugu, Torsetlia Fjellstue, Tuva Turisthytte and Storestølen Fjellhotel offers accommodation and food service. They are all great starting points for adventures in the national parks.

HIKING

Leave your car and explore the hiking trails in the mountains close by the Geilo city center. For more detailed descriptions and more tour suggestions scan the QR-code.

REVESPORET

A shorter walk from the Geilojordet in the center of Geilo. Revesporet takes you to the Geilo Cultural Church, then to a nice fishing hut by the Slåttahølen fishing spot, and past the "Huldreskogen," an outdoor photo exhibition, which is worth a visit.

Difficulty Level: Easy Distance: 1.4 km Duration: 30 min

Food service at: Geilojordet / Geilo Cultural Church

Season: All year

USTEDALSFJORDEN ROUND

This is the perfect round-trip suitable for the whole family—on foot, with a baby stroller, or on a bicycle. From Geilojordet in the center of Geilo, the popular nature and cultural trail twists and turns all the way around the Ustedalsfjorden lake. Information boards along the way tell Geilo's history and about the flora and fauna.

Difficulty Level: Easy Distance: 10 km

Duration: Approximately 2,5 hours

Food service at: Vestlia Resort / Geilojordet.

Season: May - Nov

PILVEGEN AND PILTUREN

Pilvegen is a shorter round-trip up and down from the center of Geilo. Pilturen is a nice hike in varied terrain from the center of Geilo, over the mountains, and back along the Ustedalsfjorden lake. The route offers a nice view over the center, the Hallingskarvet mountains, and the valley.

Difficulty Level: Medium
Distance: 5.7 km / 13.9 km
Duration: 2 hours / 4-5 hours
Food service at: In the center of Geilo
Season: June - Nov

BIRGITRUNDEN

Start the route from Vestlia with a ride up the beautiful mountain terrain on the chairlift. The trail takes you to the Hakkesetstølen, and then on to Birgithovda at 1,173 meters elevation, with a view to Norway's 6th largest glacier, the Hardangerjøkulen. From here, you continue down the trail via Nystølhovda to the Tuftebrui bridge. A great round-trip!

Difficulty Level: Medium Distance: 18 km Duration: 5-7 hours

Food service at: Hakkesetstølen / Geilo Summer Park

Season: July - Nov



THE PRESTHOLT ROUND

If there is a route that should be put on "the bucket list", this is this one! The Sherpa stairs, with all of 2,239 steps, protects nature in the Hallingskarvet National Park, and makes the trip up to the foot of the Hallingskarvet mountains easy and safe. The trail opened in 2013 and takes you up 400 MASL to the fantastic natural surroundings at 1600 MASL.

Difficulty Level: Hard (medium for experienced mountain hikers) Distance: 6.4 km Duration: 3 h 30 min Season: July – Oct



MOUNTAIN CAFES

Having a meal as a goal helps the motivation on the route, and gives you a well-earned break. In the mountains around Geilo, you can find several traditional restaurants, tourist cabins, and summer dairy farms. Common to these is the serving of local food and good hosts. Visit geilo.com for a complete overview, and feel free to check each of the websites/Facebook for updated opening hours and offers.

HAKKESTØLEN FJELLSTUE

Here you can buy tasty, traditional food and homemade baked goods, and the children can meet small animals such as rabbits and chickens. You can get here by car (toll road), along the marked DNT (Norwegian Trekking Association) trails, or start the route with the chairlift from Vestlia and follow the trail further to Hakkesetstalen.

TUVA TURISTHYTTE

Well-known for their tasty waffles! Tuva is one of the oldest, privately-owned tourist cabins on the Hardangervidda plateau. During the summer, the cabin offers accommodation from the end of June until the beginning of September; thereafter, dining on the weekends through September. You can reach Tuva by car (toll road) or summer bus; alternatively, by bicycle or by hiking.

GEILOJORDET AND GEILO CULTURAL CHURCH CAFE

Geilojordet is a gem in the center of Geilo. During the summer, it is an outdoor café, join the storytelling teatre; where farm children from 1880, guide you around and show life on the farm in the old days, and there are also animals you can pet and a playground at the Geilojordet.

The café at the Geilo Cultural Church offers a simple service; and on the floor above, there are many different exhibitions around the year. You are welcome to ask for a tour of the church together with one of the many volunteers who work in the café.

PRESTHOLTSETER

This summer mountain dairy farm is located at the foot of Hallingskarvet National Park, at 1,242 m.a.s.l. In the café, they tempt you with traditional food, such as cured meats and tasty sour cream porridge. Accessible by foot, bike and by car (toll road).

CAFE PRESTTUN

At the heart of Ustaoset, you will find Cafe Presttun. A nice little cafe that is open during the high season, situated close to both National Parks. Cafe Presttun is known for their homemade baked goods and food, and are open for both lunch and dinner, with all rights included.

FAGERDALEN STØL

Fagerdalen Støl is located between Hovet and Bergsjø and has been family-run for more than 300 years. In the summer you can go by car (toll road) or by bike, and enjoy the beautiful nature and the farm animals. Anne-Lise from Fagerdalen Støl serves local farm food such as cream porridge, cheese and other products, all produced on the farm.

Fagerdalen Støl is a part of Ostebygda, a cooperation between 8 cheesemakers. Visit the local food market at Hol Ysteri in Hol center. You can buy all the local farm products here or sit down for a tasty cup of coffee with a snack or dinner.

FROM A BICYCLE SEAT

Five beautiful bike rides in the Geilo region. For a more detailed description and more bike suggestions scan the QR-kode.

HOLSFJORDEN ROUND

A wonderful round-trip suitable for cycling and hiking, as well as with baby strollers and wheelchairs. Along the route, you can visit the Hol Old Church; and if you have any leftover energy, you can test yourself at the Energy Staircase with 408 stairs.

Difficulty Level: Easy Distance: 12 km Duration: 1-2 hours Open: May to November

Food service at: Hol Ysteri and Stundo

USTEDALSFJORDEN ROUND

The nature trail around the beautiful Ustedalsfjorden lake, close to the center, is a perfect excursion for families. The 10 km long gravel road is flat and easy to follow. You can learn about the local history, culture, and fauna from the many information boards along the way; or stop by the Fekjo Cultural Park, the Viking graves, or the Tuftebrui bridge.

Difficulty Level: Easy—family-friendly

Distance: 10 km Duration: 1-2 hours

Open: From the end of May to early November

Food service at: Geilojordet, Geilo Summer Park, several alternatives

in Geilo center

THE NAVVY ROAD (RALLARVEGEN)

Norway's most beautiful bicycle route from mountain to fjord! The Navvy Road brings you from Haugastøl, on the Hardangervidda plateau, over the rocky, naked mountains at Finse, down to the lush scenery at the fjord in Flåm, in one day. This isn't just a spectacular bike route, but a travel through history. Book the Navvy Road package with accommodations and bicycle rental at geilo.com.

Difficulty Level: Medium Distance: 52.4 km

Duration: Haugastøl to Finse, 3 hours; Finse to Flåm, 6 timer

Open: July to September

Food service at: Haugastøl / Finse, etc.

SETERDALEN IN DAGALI

With the Numedalslågen river on the one side, and old farms on the other, this is a great bicycle route. The route consists of good road and goes into slightly hilly terrain. The route goes slightly uphill, and you get rewarded with pleasant downhills on the way home. If you would like a hike at the half-way point of the route, we recommend the 3 km to the Tunga bridge.

Difficulty Level: Medium Distane: 40 km Duration: 3 hours

Open: The end of June until early November

Food service at: Aan Turisthytte / Joker Dagali grocery

SKURDALEN - TUVA

A longer bike ride with long, demanding hills from Skurdalen to the Tuva Turisthytte. The route starts at Nedrestøl in Skurdalen and goes through beautiful surroundings on the Hardangervidda plateau. The view to both national parks is very special! You can have an even tougher route by starting from Geilo, via the Gamle Skurdalsvegen road to the Hakkesetstølen and down to Skurdalen.

Difficulty Level: Difficult Distance: 24 km Duration: 2-4 hours

Open: From the start of July to mid-October Food service at: Hakkesetstølen / Tuva Turisthytte



Mountain biking in Geilo

In Geilo, you will find versatile and family-friendly bike offerings.

In recent years, Geilo has seen great investments in mountain biking. In Geilo you will find tracks and bike paths suitable for both the little ones in the family and the skilled biking enthusiasts! Enjoy skill trails at beginners´ level, long routes with mountain views, pump tracks, jump lines, and lift-based downhill tracks and flow paths with excitement, speed, and flow.

BICYCLA



RINES

= Quality and Experiences

In Hallingdal valley, more bike trails are being built right now than anywhere else in Scandinavia; and RIDES is the name of the region's official mountain bike offering. All the tracks and arenas are made for maximum fun on two wheels and graded according to difficulty level, so bikers can easily choose a track according to their skill. Geilo RIDES is our quality-assured biking offering, and is created to give families, beginners, and experienced bikers a versatile and fun biking experience of the highest quality. For inspiration and several bike products in the whole Hallingdal valley, see rides.no.



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Bike Rental

Geilo's largest bike rental is located at Geilo Summer Park, with a large selection of bikes, customized for all the bike activities in Geilo. If you are going to bike the Navvy Road (Rallarvegen), Haugastøl has bike rental. All bikes can be booked via geilo.com. Season: July to October.

Correct Choice of Bike:

MOUNTAIN BIKE

A good mountain bike with thicker tires for better comfort and grip. Hardtail frame with suspension in the front that is well-suited for bike rides on asphalt and gravel roads.

ELECTRIC BIKE

A hardtail eletrical-assisted mountain bike with good performance with both easy climbing and descents. With its low weight, it is well-suited for bike trips in the mountains, on asphalt and gravel roads.

BMX BIKE

A playful BMX bike with original design. Perfect for jumps and playing on the pump track.

FULL SUSPENSION TRAIL BIKE

A full suspension trail bike from for those who want to bike off the beaten track. This bike is light and gives you good control in more challenging terrain. Perfectly suitable for flow tracks, pump tracks, and for biking on trails in the mountains.

FULL SUSPENSION DOWNHILL BIKE

A heavier and stable downhill bike intended for tough descents.



This bike is suitable for those who want to take the lift up and challenge themselves in the flow paths from the top.

BALANCE BIKE FOR CHILDREN

A fun running-bike without pedals for the youngest. Suitable for paved bike trails and pump tracks.

FATBIKE

Fatbikes are a mountain bike with over-dimensioned tires, that were developed for cycling on soft and unstable terrain, such as snow or sand.

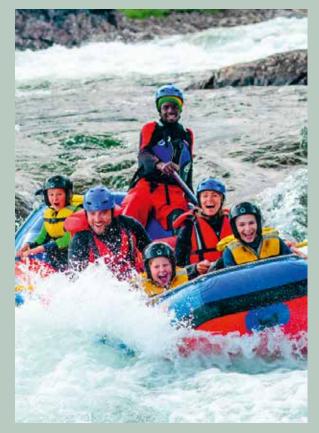
RALLARVEGEN

If you plan to bike the Rallarvegen, we recommended to rent special bikes. The Rallarvegen-bikes have extra solid spokes, strong chain, tires and luggage tray to withstand the rough surface of the road.

HELMETS / PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Geilo Sommerpark have regular bike helmets for loan when renting mountain, electric, and trail bikes. These can also be rented if you have your own bike.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES





CANOE RENTAL

Paddle trips are a perfect experience even on grey-weather days. Geilo Aktiv and DNT Hol Turlag offers canoe renting closeby Geilo on the Ustedalsfjorden lake or Veslefjorden lake. Maybe you will spot the beavers that lives in the area. Season: June - October

RAFTING

Experience rafting at its best in Dagali. Here you will find rafting experiences from three different providers, offering trips for families with children down to 8 years, to the adrenaline-seekers who want a good challenge and a real adrenaline-kick. Season: May - October.



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GOURMET FISHING

Join in on a fishing trip with a knowledgeable local guide from Vinternatt. Draw nets, clean and gut fish. The catch is then prepared for a delicious meal. An exciting experience for all ages. Season: July - September.





HALNEKONGEN

With the boat,
Halnekongen, as
transport, you will have
access to many great
hiking routes in the
national park up on the
Hardangervidda plateau;
or take a nice round-trip
on the boat.
Having a bite at the
Halne Mountain Lodge
before or after your trip
is recommended!
Season: July - August.

CANYONING

Dagali Fjellpark offers canyoning, and gives you the opportunity to frolic with nature as your playground. Rappel down rock walls, jump into potholes, and slide down water slides that nature has created. Season: May - September.

GUIDED GLACIER TOURS

Together with experienced guides, you can have the opportunity to experience the Hardangerjøkulen glacier up close, learn the history, and everything that the ice can tell us.







KAYAK

Join Jøklagutane on a guided tour. You will get a magical view to the glacier Hardangerjøkulen. Season: July - August.









FRISBEE GOLF/ FOOTBALL GOLF

The course is located by the golf course at Vestlia Resort. You can play individually or in team competitions.
There is also a football golf course right next to it. Score list can be picked up at Vestlia Resort or in the Geilo Summer Park. Season: May – October.

BICYCLE GUIDE

Guided cycling and instruction for beginners to experienced. If you want to hone your technique, develop skills, or be taken to the best trails—we offer different guided bicycle tours and cycling courses for both big and small. Season:

June - October

MOUNTAIN CART

Try mountain carting with Dagali FjellPark!
Take the lift up, and roll down the trail of 670m.
A tricycle, that is a mixture of bicycle, toboggan and go-kart. A fun and exciting experience too those over 12 years of age. Season: June - September.



MOTORSPORT

Dagali is an eldorado for motorsports, with everything from gocarting, car slalom, and Powerturn Buggy. An experience with speed, excitement, and the scent of exhaust can be found at Dagali Opplevelser. Season: All year.



LANGEDRAG NATURE PARK

A unique experience with more than 300 animals "distributed" over 20 different species i their natural habitat. Langedrag holds open every day and you can learn and meet animals such as reindeer, moose and foxes. Accommodation and activities such as lynx and wolf farm visit. Entrance ticket available purchased at geilo.com. Season: All year round.







HUSKY MEET & GREET

Visit the Husky's kennel from Geilo Husky with huskies, hounds and puppies. More than 30 lovely dogs are ready to play with both young and old. Season: May - September. In September and October it is possible to participate in bare ground training with the dogs in great autumn landscape.

HORSEBACK RIDING

Experience the mountains from the horse's back. Geilo has two horse centers which both offer great tours in high mountain terrain: Geilo Hestesenter and Geilo Aktivitetssenter. The tours are customized to both beginners and the more experienced. Season:

May - October.



Geilo Summer Park

A natural starting point for an active day in Geilo. Here you will find a high rope course from Høyt & Lavt, the summer chairlift, several lift-based bike tracks, a kiosk and BaseCamp Restaurant. Geilo Summer Park offers Geilo's largest bike rental.

OPENING HOURS 2023

MAY & JUNE NOTE: ONLY HIGH ROPE COURSE & CLIMB TOWER

18th. May - 21st. May

27th. Mai - 28th. May

June

Thurs - Sun: 11am-4pm

Saturday - Sunday: 11am-4pm

Every Saturday 11am-4pm

JULY - OCTOBER

1st. July - 20th. August Every day 10am-5pm
26th. August - 1st. October Saturday - Sunday: 11am-4pm
2nd. October - 15th. October Every day 10am-5pm





HOUTS LAVT

GEILO SOMMERPARK

Welcome to the Høyt & Lavt climbing park in Geilo!

In the park you will find 3 training trails, 6 trails and 10 ziplines of varying difficulty. Lots of fun and exciting challenges, some airy hovering and guaranteed both a feeling of fulfillment and joy! Season: May - October.







ZIPLINE

Have you ever wondered what it's like to fly? Try a 2-minute-long airy soar with spectacular views toward Hallingskarvet mountain and Hardangervidda plateau. Season: July - October.

SUMMER CHAIRLIFT AND VIEW OF THE NATIONAL PARK

The summer lift is an ideal starting point for hiking in Hardangervidda National Park, and a starting point for lift-based biking in Geilo. At the top, there is a fantastic view over the Hallingskarvet National Park, and Geilo. Season: July to October.

SKARVETÅRNET

The Skarvetårnet climbing tower offers lots of excitement and fun. You can choose to climb in 13 different climbing routes, and also a 15-metre-high jump. Feel the stomach suction when you step off the platform and jump towards the ground! Two of the Høyt & Lavt trails also begins in the climbing tower. Season: May to October.



Rainy day?

Geilo also offers plenty of indoor activities, shopping, museum and art exhibitions. How about a relaxing spa and massage? Test your competitive instinct on the bowling alley, or get the children active in the family pool or at the indoor play area? The weather changes quickly in the mountains so it is good to have the option to include an indoor activity in the plan for predictability. Scan the QR-code for suggestions for various indoor activities, suitable for all ages.

Spa & Wellness

Invest time in yourself! Did you know the word spa is an abbreviation of the term "salus per aqua", which means "health through water»? Water has always been associated with health, purification and well-being, and dates back to Greek and Roman times. Today, people visits spa's for both health and wellness, and also just as a great treat to yourself! There are many reasons to visit one or both spa's in Geilo! You will find one at Vestlia Resort and the other one at Dr. Holms hotel, both offer treatments, massage, saunas and pools.







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FISHING

Fishing in Lakes and Rivers

The Fishing Licence Areas to Geilo Hunting and Fishing Association

Most of the waters in the area of the Geilo Hunting and Fishing Association are cultivated and have fish of good quality. The size of the fish in the various waters is mostly 100–600g, but fish of 1–3 kg are also caught. Waters with the possibility of catching trout zzvis Ustedalsfjorden, Store Hakkeset, Skerja and Halletjønn.

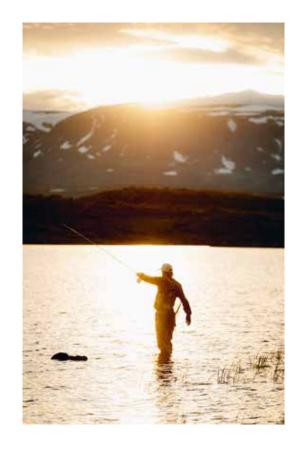
The Fishing Licence Area to Hol Hunting and Fishing Association

Most of the waters at the disposal to this organization are located within Hallingskarvet National Park, from Ynglesdalen to Kyrkjedørsvatna. Trout are released regularly so that the stock is generally good and in proportion to the food supply. The fish are usually of the highest quality and with a great red color.

Fishing Licences

You can buy fishing licences at the Tourist Information, the sportshops in Geilo, the grocery stores at Hagafoss and Hovet, with other tourist companies, or online at perfish.no.

Order a guided fishing tour "Gourmet Fishing" with Vinternatt. Or what about a fishing course with Groven Fjellgård? More information about this and more to be found at geilo.com.





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Stay Well, Sleep Well

CCOMMODALLO

Choosing the right place to stay can give the little extra to your Geilo vacation! In Geilo and the surrounding area, you will find everything from the traditional hotels to the camping life.

The selection is wide, whether you want to bring your family to a large resort hotel with family activities or take your loved one to an "arctic dome" on the plateau with a view of the starry heaven. Perhaps it works best for you to stay in a well-equipped cabin, with the freedom of preparing your own meals? No matter what you choose, Geilo is well-known for its hospitable hosts; and we promise that you and your family will be cared for well.

Book your accommodation at geilo.com. Here you will find an overview of all accommodation in and around Geilo, and it's easy to compare prices and facilities.





RESTING PULSE

In the mountains, you will find peace; whether you choose to live stately or simply.



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Shopping and Enjoyment

TRADE

With over 40 shops in the center, you will find everything from retail, such as sporting equipment, apparel, and interior design shops to a wonderful cup of cappuccino. Don't forget to visit our traditional craft companies: Brusletto & Co, Brødrene Øyo and Skaugum. They all have their own factory outlets.



Food and Beverages

Cafe's

In the heart of Geilo, you will find several cozy cafe's. A tasty lunch with a refreshing drink, or a coffee break is always close by.

Restaurants

You can be sure that you will have a good dining experience in Geilo! Choose between the simplest dishes, tasty dishes or a lavish 3-course meal made with seasonal local ingredients. Whether you're going to have something quick, go out to eat with the whole family, or have a romantic dinner for two, then you've come to the right place.

Bars and pubs

In the center of Geilo, and in some of the hotels, you will find a social nightlife. There are bars and pubs with a warm and good atmosphere, events, intimate concerts and pub quizzes.

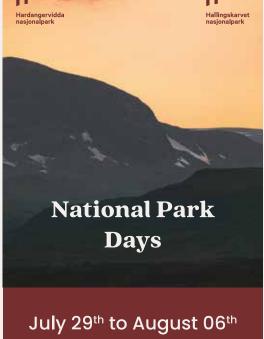












Let your family experience Geilo – also at winter time





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Tourist Information

The Tourist Information is located in the centre of Geilo, a short walk from the train station.

We Can Assist You With:

- Information about Geilo and Hol Municipality
- Brochures and trip suggestions
- · Sale of postcards, souvenirs and maps
- · Information about activities
- Sale of fishing licenses

Contact Us:

+47 32 09 59 00 post@geilo.no geilo.com

Monday-Friday, 09:00-15:00 See geilo.com for updated opening hours in summer.

QUESTIONS REGARDING ACCOMMODATION AND ACTIVITIES?

Contact Geilo Booking at tel. +47 32 08 85 00 or mail@geilobooking.no Telephone Hours: Monday-Friday, 09:00-16:00

TRANSPORTATION

The Bergen Railway makes it easy to travel sustainably to Geilo. With the app and website, entur.no, you will find all public transportation in Norway collected in one place.

We have gathered all the information about car rentals, parking places, charging stations, trains, and buses here:







WINTER HAPPINESS 2023/2024

Geilo gives you the best mountain experiences — remember to book early for the best offers!





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Hardangervidda nasjonalpark