

*Taste the European Capital of Culture*

## Oysters, Denmark's longest table banquet and national hotdog championships

European Capital of Culture Aarhus 2017 and European region of Gastronomy 2017 set the table for an enticing summer and a thought-provoking autumn.

With over 130 innovative, appetite-tempting and engaging food events, the rest of 2017 is sorted for Aarhus and the Central Denmark Region. The activities on offer range from lunch on Denmark's longest table at Tangkrogen in Aarhus, to a trip inside the big-top of Fish-à-deli Circus, who will teach us to eat new types of fish.

*'From the humble hotdog to the haute cuisine, there is something for everyone when we turn our talents to setting the table for food, fun and fabulous conversations about all things gastronomical. We help celebrate the mid Denmark region's wonderful natural larder by bringing our focus to local produce, movable feasts, and food with social enterprise. Children learn to cook, we gain greater understanding of the history of food and its important cultural associations. We get to taste a lot as we become adventurous hunters for oysters, lobsters and other items from the sea basket. Pull up a chair, we have heaps to share!' says Juliana Engberg, Programme Director Aarhus 2017.*

See the programme at [www.danishfoodregion.dk](http://www.danishfoodregion.dk) and [www.aarhus2017](http://www.aarhus2017). Meanwhile you can look forward to:

- **Fish-à-deli Circus**

Through our work with Fish-à-Deli Circus we wish to challenge the usual contact between guests and chefs. With no waiters or menu cards, we will develop an involving and communicative performance, where sustainably caught fish, cooked with local foods of the region, will be the core of the performance. The scenography will be a touring circus – the kind you might have experienced at the beginning of the 1900s, with musicians, a circus director, horses, a strong man, and equilibrists of all kinds! It's magic and it's fabulous food, all in one, when the circus comes to town.

*June 13-15 at European Filmschool Ebeltoft*

*October in Grenå and Aarhus.*

*Further info: [www.smagshjemmeside.dk](http://www.smagshjemmeside.dk)*

- **Food Festival**

This is *the* festival for all food enthusiasts: the food interested, children with a sweet tooth, curious tastebuds, prominent chefs from Denmark and abroad, experts and amateurs. Food Festival represents and gathers together leading experts in Nordic food culture, but also welcomes the festival's new area, World Cuisine. It is here you can be taken a cultural journey, discovering a wide selection of the globe's street food kitchens and of course you are also invited to the Danish hotdog championships – undeniably one of the highpoints of Food Festival.

*September 1.-3th Further info: [www.foodfestival.dk](http://www.foodfestival.dk)*

- **The Catastrophic Meal**

The Catastrophic Meal focuses on different scenarios for food and cooking in the future. What will be on the menu in the future? What kinds of foods might be available if the earth dries up, or the world is flooded? Perhaps if we look after the world a little better we might have a bountiful harvest of new foods in some forthcoming utopian era?

September 1-3th Aarhus. Further info: [www.foodfestival.dk](http://www.foodfestival.dk)

- **People's feast**

People's Feast aspires to be Denmark's biggest table banquet with 10 zones, each drawing inspiration from amongst others, Greenland, Japan and the North Sea.

September 1.-2th. Further info [www.foodfestival.dk](http://www.foodfestival.dk)

- **Creative Tastebuds**

We invite the audience to wonder with us: what are the connections between culture and brain when it comes to taste? The two-day symposium will present viewpoints from leading individuals from both the arts and the sciences, and performers from the creative sector will explore and challenge how taste is remembered, taught, communicated and shared.

September 4-5 th, Aarhus Theatre, [www.Creativetastebuds.dk](http://www.Creativetastebuds.dk)

- **Dinner – How Can We Feed The World Sustainably?**

Folkeuniversitetet, Aarhus and the Hearts & Minds Festival will focus on our future's most pressing questions: How can we feed the world? How do we utilize the earth's food resources in the best way? How can we translate words into actions that matter? (partly in English)

September 22th Aarhus, further info (In Danish):

<https://fuau.dk/aarhus/program/vidensarrangementer/how-can-we-feed-the-world-1721-082.aspx> og

<https://fuau.dk/aarhus/program/festival/how-can-we-feed-the-world-sustainably-1721-270.aspx> (a similar event for professionals)

- **Bring Home the Oysters!**

Denmark provides some of the best oysters in the world. In Bring home the Oysters! Everyone is invited to harvest different kinds of oysters and lots of other edible plant and sea life from the fjord and sea.

October 7th and 16th: Bustrip to Vadehavet or Limfjorden. Further info: [www. Danishfoodregion.dk](http://www.Danishfoodregion.dk).

- **Huge oyster celebration**

As many as a thousand people will join the gigantic Oyster Celebration in Aarhus. Here there will be a huge party with great cooks, cool music and loads of fun while we delight in eating the best oysters in the world and in the natural surroundings that provide them.

October 15th: Oyster celebration, Aarhus

Further info: [www. Danishfoodregion.dk](http://www. Danishfoodregion.dk).



*Photos: Oysters and Danish Championship of Hotdogs are some of the activities of European Capital of Culture Aarhus 2017. Photo by Per Bille.*

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