

7 Dagli'Brugsen in Kragelund (shop)

Co-op shop selling everyday goods. Open all the week. Tlf. 86867005.

8 Bryghuset Kragelund (brewery)

Just beside Dagli'Brugsen you find the micro-brewery, Bryghuset Kragelund, owned by shareholders. The brewery places great importance on high quality and has gained several awards among beer enthusiasts. Open on Friday afternoons. Tlf. 29802650.

9 Forsamlingshus (village hall)

10 Kragelund Plejecenter (old people's home)

11 Kragelund Børnehaven (kindergarten)

12 Bøllingsø

A few kilometers west of the village Kragelund and south of the forest, Stenholt Skov, you find the re-established lake Bøllingsø.



The lake is Denmark's third largest nature restoration project. The original lake took form at the end of the Ice Age on the edge of the melting ice cap. In 1870 the lake, at this time partly a raised bog, was drained in order to gain farm land and peat from the layers of bog moss built up through thousands of years. The peat was used as solid fuel especial in wartimes, and the new farm land was used for hay harvest. By blocking the drainage channels in 2005 the "new" lake was established. Since then numerous breeds of birds have

arrived, among these are also some rarities. The source of the lake originates from springs at the bottom of the lake in South East. The water passes through the lake to the northern end and then flows into the rivers Skygge Å and Karup Å. Southward the water flows to Funder Å. In the area near the lake there have been numerous historical findings. These include findings from the very first reindeer hunters, the later Stone Age settlements, burial mounds from Bronze and Iron Age and especially the famous bog bodies, the Tollund Man and the Elling Woman. Both of them can be seen and studied in Silkeborg Museum. A separate folder about Bøllingsø can be found with more information and a map showing the walk around the lake. A small part of this walk is shared with the Army Road.



13 Tollundmanden (The Tollund Man bog body)

14 Stenholt Skov (Forest)

A few kilometers west of Kragelund village you find the protected Stenholt Skov with one of the biggest and best preserved oak scrubs in Jutland. The oak scrub has its appearance as a result of the way forestry was approached many years ago. Cutting the

trees down at the root and using the stump shoots for firewood, posts and buildings was normal practice. Stenholt Skov has a rich flora of lichens with some exceptional species. At the edge of the forest is the lake, Skallerund Sø. Stenholt Skov and Stenholt Mose (a raised bog north of the forest) was selected as Natura 2000 territory (special preservation). There is no public admittance to the raised bog; however there is a folder for the forest of Stenholt Skov with information about the sights and a map showing the marked walking paths. The folder can be obtained in Klosterlund Museum.

15 Skallerund Sø (lake)

16 Stenholt Mose (raised bog)

Hærvejen (The Army Road)

-17 bicycle route -18 walking route

Hærvejen is a number of old tracks that follows the contours in the landscape. These contours were created by large glaciers in the ice age about 15000 years ago. The tracks is on a north-south dividing line in Jutland between springs and rivers running either westward or eastward, and therefore people and animals could pass by easily. Through the ages several tracks have existed but some years ago the public administration established a marked bicycle and walking route following the original tracks. The walking route passes west of the village Kragelund through Stenholt Skov and east of Bølling Sø. In Stenholt Skov it follows partly the old church path between Engesvang and Kragelund. The bicycle route passes through the village Kragelund. A guide book with maps has been published 2010 showing routes for hikers, cyclists and horse riders. This guide book was made in connection with a tourism project.



19 Urtegartneriet (the herb market garden)

Urtegartneriet is an organic and biodynamic market-garden producing and selling seeds and herbs from all the world. You can also purchase books about herbs. Tlf. 86867430.

20 Urbakgård

Organic farm producing and selling beef from the limousine cattle breed. Tlf. 86867556.

21 Klosterlund Museum

This museum is between Bøllingsø and Stenholt Skov. Read in the folder of Klosterlund Museum and Stenholt Skov. Tlf. 9626193

22 Bøllingsø Camping

A camping site just south of Stenholt Skov near the museum. Tlf. 86865144.



Welcome
to
Kragelund

The village of Kragelund lies between rich farm land, with fertile soil, in eastern Jutland and poor sandy moorland in western Jutland.

There is evidence of this area being inhabited since the end of the Ice Age. The findings of numerous burial mounds and the remains of slags and melting furnaces for iron production bear witness to this. Iron was forged from the bog iron ore found in this area.

Kragelund is surrounded by diverse landscapes: forests, moors, lakes, bogs and meadows.

Kragelund and its surroundings.

The village consists of a mixture of old farm houses and modern single family houses. There are also some lovely communal greens and parks. In the surrounding area there are a few large working farms, some spare-time farms and cottages. The village Frederiksdal is in the same parish, north of Kragelund. This village was established a little more than hundred years ago as a "moor-pioneer-village". Both of the villages are lively with active inhabitants and many clubs.

1 The Army Road Hostel in Kragelund



The hostel opened in June 2008. There are 32 beds in this 400 year old barn built from granite boulders and is connected to Kragelund old vicarage. The society of hostels along the Army Road has with support from foundations established 11 hostels

along the route between Viborg and the border to Germany. Hikers, cyclists, horse riders and pilgrims can spend the night after buying an admission card.

2 The Church of Kragelund

The nave of the church was raised in Romanesque style in around 1150. It was built using granite from the remains of an earlier church in the neighboring village Engesvang. Interestingly, we know who ordered the church to be built and the name of the builder: under the ornamented lintel of the entrance are several runes stating that "Æse commanded and Vagn carved".



Nothing more is known about these two men, but thanks to the runes they will never be forgotten. The porch and the tower are built at a later date. The churchyard is surrounded by a stone dike from the Middle Ages except for the newer western side. In the porch is a brochure with more information. The church door is open all the time during the summer.

3 Helledammen



The small gardens south of the church's car park used to be a messy bog with marl and clay pits that provided the villagers with clay for their mud-built walls. In 1927 the villagers decided to work

together and create something beautiful to replace the messy bog. When they were finished each of workers placed a stone, some were special stones with inscriptions some just simple plane stones but they all had a story. The stones were placed in a circle representing the farmers and smallholders like at an old "village meeting". The bowl-stone found in Stenholt Forest is placed here too (read more in the brochure in the church porch).

4 Kongelunden

Kongelunden lies southeast of the Church of Kragelund. The name derives from stories saying that a "king's castle" made from brick and timber once lay here. King Hans and later kings have stayed here whilst travelling through the kingdom. In 1583 King Frederik II ordered the buildings to be demolished so that the stones and timber could be used for The Castle of Silkeborg. In 1980 some of the bricks were still visible in Kongelunden, but now the place is overgrown with wild raspberries.

5 Kragelund public school



The present school opened on the 21st of August 1965. It's the public school for the villages Kragelund and Frederiksdal and also the surrounding parish. It's situated in a beautiful area and is neighbour to the local swimming pool, sports club, playing field and the kindergarten. The school provides many opportunities for the children's

development. The School is for children from nursery age to 6th grade it also offers an after school nursery/club.

6 Kragelund Swimming Pool

The Swimming Pool is just beside the school. The pool is open from 7th of May until 4th of September. Opening hours are announced in the hostel and by the pool. A defibrillator is placed in the building, and access to the device out of opening hours can be attained by breaking the glass doors with one of the chairs.

