

Admission to Christian IV's Guild

A two-hours-trip in Aalborg

Unique Experiences of Aalborg

Dark wine cellars, a mystery brotherhood and a hush-hush admission ceremony. Does this sound intriguing to you? Join the guild and experience a special welcome as a guest of Aalborg.

Christian IV's Guild was founded on the 16th of December 1942 in **Duus' Wine-cellar** in the marvellous renaissance-building, **Jens Bang's Stone House** from 1624.

In the cosy wine cellar, you can be initiated into the guild, "Chr. IV's Laug", and hereby become a member of an exclusive club, counting members such as the former American presidents, Nixon, Reagan and George W. Bush Sr., American actors, Danny Kaye and Richard Chamberlain, as well as many members of the Danish Royal Family. The history of the guild goes as far back as the World War II, where the members of the guild played a central part in the Danish Resistance. Today, the guild is a popular attraction in Aalborg and acts as a charitable organization.

In connection with the admission ceremony, the guests are presented with the history of the guild in English in a very entertaining way. Furthermore, the ceremony includes a walk in procession, and you will receive a personal key and a pin from the guild. Sausages and "potato juice" (i.e. Aalborg Aquavit) are served at the ceremony.

Though the purpose of the guild vanished with the liberation of Denmark in 1945, the guild itself lived on, mainly because the City Council wanted it to welcome the city's special guests with its festive initiation ceremony. At the same time, it was agreed that you did not necessarily have to be a Dane to become a member of the guild.

Duration: Approx. 2 hours

Included: Light guild meal, drinks, Chr. IV key and pin

Activity level: Moderate.



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