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MARINEMUSEET

(HORTEN - NORWAY)



Born in Denmark in 1787, kommandørkaptein C.F. Klinck (1787-1860) acquired a considerable collection of maritime objects and curiosa while serving in the Royal Norwegian Navy.

In 1853 he offered his collection to the Navy with the reservation that they should become nucleus by a museum , and he be its first curator. Establishment of the NAVY MUSEUM was confirmed by Royal Decree of October 5, 1853

Until his death in 1860, the collections remained in his home. In 1863, the collections exhibited in the new MAGAZINE-A. The museum has been here ever since, constantly increasing its exhibits. Thus, the Old Department is not merely a naval museum, but also a museum of museums.

The intentions of the Naval Museum are to maintain and present and history and heritage of the Navy in an objective way, that the public, especially young people, may understand and appreciate the development and importance of the Norwegian Navy throughout history



In addition to the curiosa of Klinck's collection, the exhibits at the Navy Museum offer a broad view of the ships and their equipment throughout history.





The Museum can be found in HORTEN, about 25 km north from Sandefjord (Torp Airport), and is easily to be found, as directions everywhere can be found through the city of Horten.



Furniture and fittings from old ships are natural parts of the exhibits.



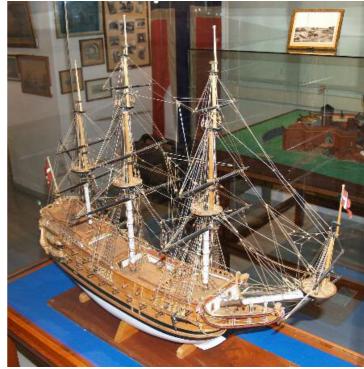
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Replica of one of the VIKING boats found near Sandefjord.



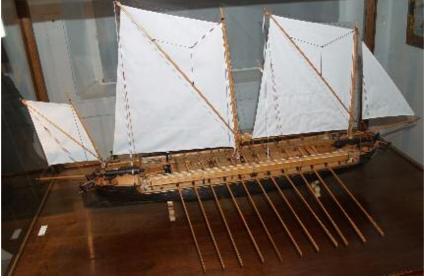
The Museum collection of model ships include more then 150 models, the largest model, the frigate **FREIA** was made in 1818. It is 5 meters tall and is measuring almost 8 meters from jib-boom to mizzen. (photo left)



In the museum can be found a lot of old sailing vessel models as shown below, ships model lovers will love the museum.



Above seen the korvetten **ORNEN** which sailed during the period 1829 – 1847. the Corvet was 33.8 mtr long and was manned by 158 crewmembers, she was equipped with 20 canons



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Besides the beautiful models of the old sailing vessels also a lot of models of later times can be found, especially from the WW2 era.



The British C-Class (CR Group) destroyer **R 46 HMS CROWN** served for the Norwegian navy as the **KNM OSLO**, the destroyer was never commissioned in the Royal Navy but directly transferred upon completion to Norway in 1946

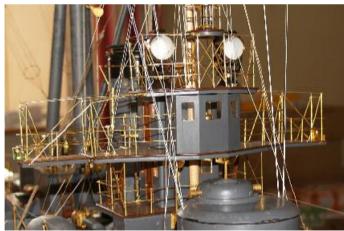
Note down below how super detailed this above model is made.



Everything is showing upto the smallest details.



Another beautiful super detailed model of the **Panserskipet Bjørgvin** was showed to me as can be seen on the left, the model was under restoration in a separate room, after water damage due to a leaking ceiling.



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Model of the destroyer STORD, built as the G 26 HMS SUCCESS at the White's shipyard in Southampton and directly transferred upon completion in 1943 to Norway , the destroyer was scrapped in Burght near Antwerp during





In the museum also a lot of models can be found of the present Norwegian Navy, all ship models in use at present can be found, above seen the latest new guided missile frigate for the Norwegian navy the F 310 FRIDTJOF NANSEN, the class leader of the 5 ships of the FRIDTJOF **HANSEN** class.

Left a model of the F 310 SLEIPNER build in 1965 together with her sister **AEGER** the 2 ships of the **SLEIPNER class** frigates

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Several models of submarines also can be found from old and modern times



Wellman III Nr 48.







As can be seen at the photo's a lot of interesting items can be found and seen at the 2 floors of the museum.

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The Norwegian submarine S 302 UTSTEIN seen as model in the Museum and outside the building



The real Type 207 submarine 47 mtr long **S 302 UTSTEIN** is exhibited and open to the public, the submarine was built in 1965 at the Rheinstahl-Nordseewerke in Germany and decommissioned from the Norwegian Navy during 1991.



One of the rare exhibits is an original model of a **SAMURAI warrior**, captured from Japan during 1886 by Kommandercaptain Rosenqvist .

Because it is NOT allowed to bring any original SAMURAI items outside Japan at present, this is one of the few on exhibit to the public outside Japan.

The **NAVY MUSEUM** in **HORTEN** (Norway) is open to the public between May and September every day from 12:00 to 16:00 hrs and during the period October to April on Sunday's only from 12:00 to 16:00 hrs, the entrance is free.

www.mil.no/felles/mmu/only in Norwegian language

If foreigners arrive in Horten whilst the museum is closed, please proceed to the **TOURIST INFORMATION** office, where 2 very friendly ladies will attend you, they will contact the Museum Commander **Hans Petter Oset** and arrangements can be made for a visit, or when you like to visit with a group, please contact the museum at:

mar-mus@online.no

It is for sure worth to bring a visit when in the neighbourhood of HORTEN

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Vice-admiral **Jens Schou Fabricius** (1758-1841) of the Norwegian Navy, **Jens Schou Fabricius** was the Norwegian appointed Minister of the Navy 1817-1818.

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