

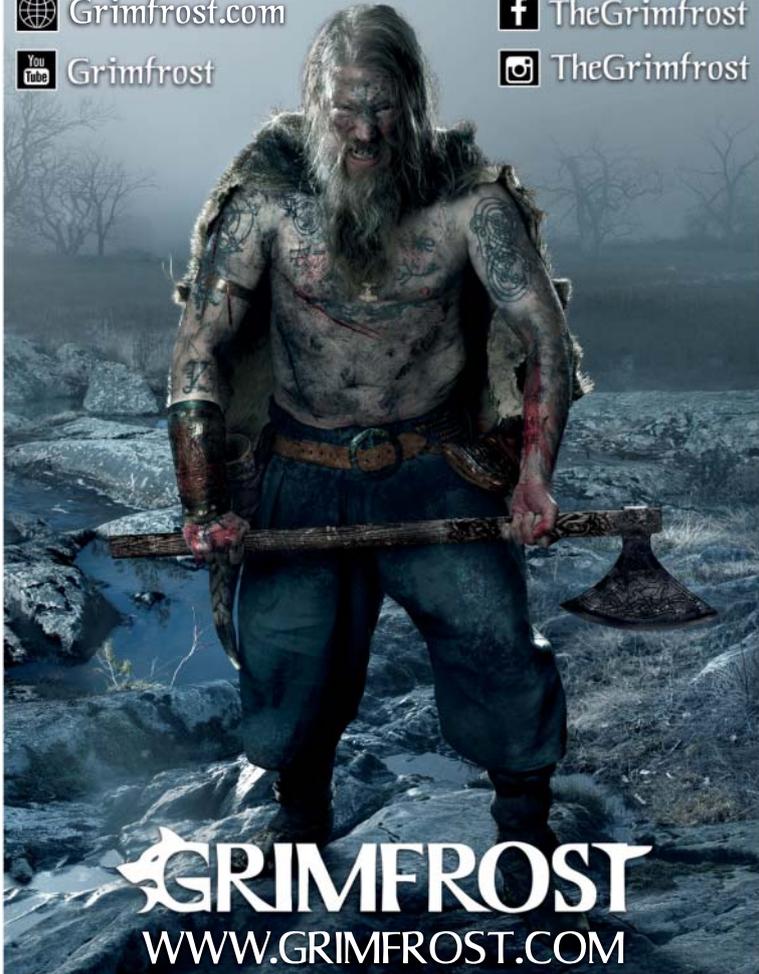
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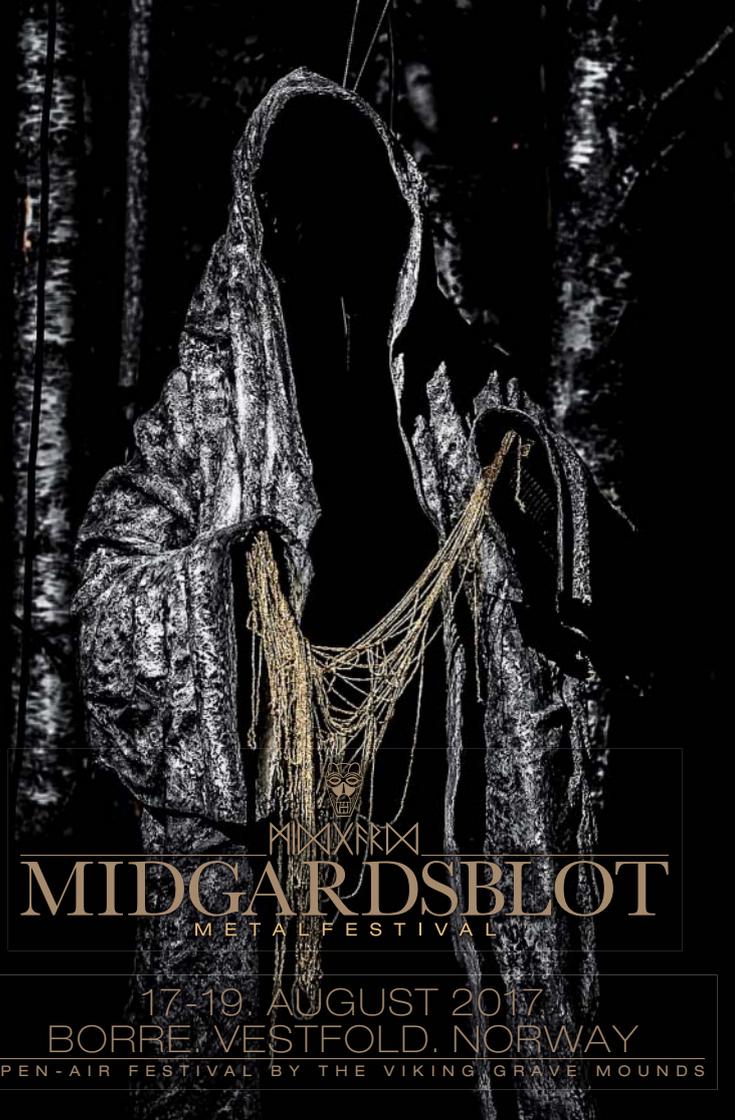
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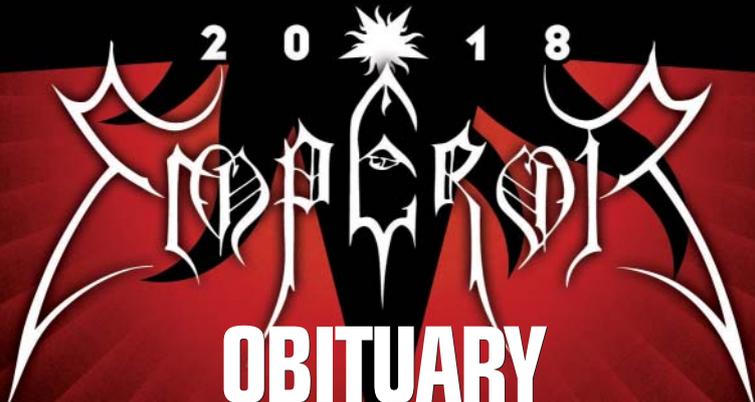
  
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# WELCOME!

Ever since my Mum told me about the Runes she named me after and the stories of Odin and Thor, Yggdrasil and Ragnarok; and ever since my father showed me at the age of three how to put on his Black Sabbath and Led Zeppelin records, I've got the best from two worlds and Midgardsblot is a dream come true where the two melt together to an entity of Metal and Norse history. A modern Viking Blot with laughter, love and music; a place for history, reflections, friendship and insanity and a celebration of the Norse heritage.

And now after months of planning and booking, counting the days to see you all by the Gidehall of Borre - we all enjoy the wonderful feeling of flying ravens in our stomachs seeing our Blot finally rise again!

It's the greatest thing - seeing all of you coming in from near and far, gathering in the festival camp, all running high with anticipation. Meeting up with old friends - making some new, sharing that first cold beer and put on your Brynje, your favorite band t-shirt or your finest Viking tunic for our Blot. Taking the stroll through the park by our forefathers' grave mounds on your way

to the evenings first gig ... And then it hits you right in the gut; a massive wall of sound, riffs that makes you want to go to war, drums that make your heart run fast and vocals that make your hair rise - and all you want to do is scream and bang your head, throw your hands in the air and surrender to the boiling mosh-pit!

Welcome to Midgardsblot - it will be a blasting raid and I can't wait - Hails vñ/

*Runa Luna  
Founder of Midgardsblot Festival*



# SEMINARS PROGRAM

The panel debate:

This years topic for the panel debate will be «Gender roles in Metal and Viking history»

In the panel will be Ivar Björnson (Enslaved), Nanna Løkka (senior researcher on Viking women), Runa Strindin (Founder of Midgardsblot) and Per Ole Hagen (Music professor and concert photographer). Music journalist Harald Fossberg (Aftenposten) will be the debate leader.



Northern Mythology and Rune Mysticism in Enslaved  
The neither/ neither of scientific rationality and runic metaphysics.

Ivar Björnson is one of two lyricists in Enslaved, and has been forging the concepts and underlying belief system and direction the lyrics has taken since 1991. A direction that is dualistic in nature; on the surface going from descriptive references to mythology, history and geography onto internalized takes on mythology and Runes. Yet there are undercurrents that can also be described as "less scientifically oriented"; which Ivar also will also try to talk about while trying to make sense at least some of the time: enter Rune Mysticism at around "Mardraum (Beyond the Within)", Jungian

archetypes shortly after, quantum logic at some point, a universal theory on mythologies and magical rituals on "Riititir", the physics of time on "In Times" and the exploration of duality on the coming album "E". In short; the Unified Theory of Weird and Wonderful Things by Enslaved... and some funny stories from life on the funny farm (ie Enslaved).

Women in the Viking Age  
- myths and sources  
by Nanna Løkka

Nanna Løkka will give a light, but still academic lecture. In her presentation, Løkka will present women in the Viking Age through some modern myths about this historical figurine and discuss the validity of these myths by looking at the historical sources. Løkka work as a senior researcher at Telemark Research Institute. She has a Ph.d. in Norse religion. She has written many articles on different subjects concerning the Viking Age and is the editor of the book, *Kvinner i Vikingtid (Women in the Viking Age)* published in 2014. She is also the editor of a book to be released in September, *Dronningen i vikingtid og middelalder (The Queen in the Middle Ages)*.



From Satan to Odin - the many roots of black-, Viking and extreme metal, by Harald Fossberg (Aftenposten)  
Moderne metal comes in many guises, but most have the same roots. Black sabbath, Led Zeppelin and Venom are obvious "godfathers", but there are also

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other who have been more or less instrumental in shaping the genres. Journalist and author of "Nyanser av svart – historien om norsk black metal" (Shades of black, the story of Norwegian Black Metal) Harald Fossberg looks at the roots of black, Viking and extreme metal. Soundclips, photos and videosnippets will present more or less known bands and artists from the 70's and upwards.



only a few centuries Vestfold was the home of kings, queens, chieftains and people who built big farmsteads, trading villages and great halls and who buried their dead in monumental mounds.

By the power of my sword!  
– Many a metal band

By Marius Rafoshei /HEMA Swords, warriors, fights and honour are recurring themes in the music and books we all enjoy. ...But just how was all this back in ancient times? That is the theme of

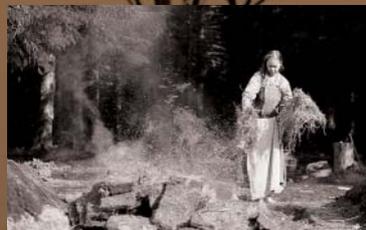


this lecture and following demonstration. Talking, and responsible for it, we have Marius Rafoshei who wrote a Masters of History on the topic of Duelling, and who also happens to be the head coach of Longsword at Fekteklubben Frie Duellister - Norway's oldest and biggest club dedicated to Historical Euro-pean Martial Arts.

He aims to give some insight into the honour cultures of the past and their ritualized violence, starting with Vikings and ending somewhere around the decline of the Knights. Following the lecture there will be a demonstration of medieval combat techniques, or HEMA. And of course, there will be swords and the ring of medieval steel!

#### THE FOOD OF THE VIKINGS WORKSHOP

From travelling to feasting, from the everyday evening meal to the religious sacrifices – Midgaardsblot offers you a unique chance to learn how to cook as it could have been done in the hall of Borre during the Viking Age. Your teacher will be Daniel Serra, a Swedish culinary



archaeologist who is specialised on the Viking Age cuisine, he is also a fabulous teacher, his enthusiasm, knowledge and deep felt curiosity about food in the Viking age is awinspiring and his highly entertaining style makes his courses and lectures a treat you should not miss. The workshop will also be visited by the local expert in Viking Age food and the matron of the festival, providing the crew with wonderful food – Kari Marie Helland. During the festival there will be a daily workshop, all with a different theme. All dishes and cooking techniques are based on archaeological finds and historical sources.

Thursday: Everyday cooking in the Viking Age.

Friday: The Festive meal of Borre's Kingly Hall.

Saturday: Feasting with the Gods.

For schedule and to buy tickets go to our FOOD WORKSHOP event on the Midgardsblot Facebook page.

#### MORNING MEDITATION

By Saskia Thode (Metal Yoga Bones)

Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 11:00 in the Borre Park. Meet by the main entrance to the park. As we settle into a comfortable position close to the earth, we will let the surrounding nature, the old lingering spirits, and strong energy of the sea, guide us into our own spiritual journey. We will root down deeply to free our mind and spirit. All 4 elements and the power that lies within will take us on our journeys as far from ourselves as you can imagine, but as close and deep within ourselves as you have never dreamed of. Find stillness and clarity. Find stability and strength. Find quietness to get ready for the music to take over.

METAL YOGA Instructor Saskia Thode takes spirituality and the worship of metal to a different level. Be prepared to completely tap into the dark side, to scream, beat, sweat, and do anything you need to do to unleash your inner beast. Listen to your favorite blasting metal tunes while letting your body burn with hellish heat. Move and breathe while listening to your beloved bands. We will be holding poses until we feel their deep fire creep into our bodies until we rest like the dead in Corpse Pose in the end of the class. All levels are welcome and especially the ones who never dared to try yoga.



Presentation of artist DAVID THIERRE

We are more than thrilled to welcome David Thiérrée to Midgardsblot 2017, where he will host an exhibition at the Midgard Museum. "David Thiérrée is a French Artist born in 1970. Self-taught, he works since 1989 for Metal bands worldwide and in the Fantasy illustration field. David's art will be exhibited in the large auditorium at the Midgard center during the whole festival.

#### Maðr or ragr: Masculinity and the monstrous unmanliness in the Viking Age, by Bjørn Bandlien

Viking Age masculinity seems easy enough to define: To be a fierce warrior and to let no one question your honour. At the same time, the manhood of the fiercest warrior and the wisest chieftain could – and often was – challenged by sexual libels in poetry (nǫð) that charged another man to be ragr. Norse myths, especially those involving Odin, Tor and Loki indicates that being ragr had a key cosmological and social meaning in Viking the Age. These stories show that the opposite of men and masculinity was not necessarily women and femininity, but chaos and the monstrous.

#### Viking Age in Vestfold

By Vestfold County archaeologist Ragnar Orten Lie  
Get to know the story of the Viking age in Vestfold! Vestfold has a fantastic heritage from the Viking era. During



great saga-writer Snorri Sturluson claims that a mythical lineage – the Ynglinga-lineage – is buried here. They are said to have been descendants of the god Frey and the jotun woman Gerd, and include Norway's first king.

**TOUR OF THE EXHIBITIONS AT MIDGARD CENTER:  
Vikings at War**

The exhibition Vikings at War is based on a book by the same name, written by historian Kim Hjarðar and archaeological conservator Vegard Vike, published in the autumn of 2011. The book attempts to bring to light the basis of the Vikings' warrior culture, and offers an insight into its historical development, the reasons behind and conditions allowing for the raids, conquests and other military campaigns, which sprung from Scandinavia in this period.

**Entombed – Viking burial customs at Gulli**

In this exhibition we present weapons, jewellery, horse equipment and other artefacts from the Viking burial site at Gulli, right outside Tønsberg. This burial site was excavated by archaeologists in connection with the construction of a new motorway through Vestfold, in the period from 2003 to 2004. Amongst the graves were three chamber graves and eight boat graves, and if we go by the grave goods, the people who were buried here would have been fairly wealthy. Amongst the horse equipment found was a horse collar very similar to that excavated in the Ship Mound at Borre. This could point to a special connection between these two places.

**Borre in Viken, Borre in the World**

'Borre in Viken, Borre in the World' is an exhibition of artefacts found in and around the Borre Park. The Museum of Cultural History at the University of Oslo has lent us about 40 items from Viking times; spear heads, swords, stirrups, beads of rock crystals, axe, spinning wheel, ship rivets, silver fragments and bronze fittings, as well as a magnificent gilded harness fitting. The majority of the artefacts exhibited stem from the Ship Mound, which was excavated in 1852.

**JOMSVIKING:**

by author and Viking Skald Bjørn Andreas Bull-Hansen  
Bjørn Andreas Bull-Hansen is the author of Jomsviking – the phenomenal bestselling novel published a few months ago in Norway – as well as 16 other novels. Midgardsblot is proud to present Bull-Hansen's Norse universe to our guests. Jomsviking tells the story of Thorsten Thormodson, who sees his father killed by the Norwegian king's men and is enslaved as a child. He is later trained as a warrior and berserker by the infamous Jomsvikings and drawn into the power struggle between the Scandinavian kings and earls in the last years before 1000 AD. Jomsviking is the first of an upcoming series of novels.

**GUIDED TOURS OF THE BORRE PARK**

**The Borre Mounds**

In the period between around 600 – 900 CE, no less than nine major burial mounds were built at Borre. In addition there are three large stone mounds, contributing to the majestic character of the area. This is the most concentrated collection of major burial mounds in Northern Europe. We also know Borre from historical sources. The

**THURSDAY**

SEMINARS Large auditorium	PARK AND MUSEUM	PLAYGROUND 11:00 - 16:00
The Viking Age in Vestfold by Ragnar Orten Lie	MORNING MEDITATION by Saskia Thodes	
JOMSVIKING: the Norse Universe by author Bjørn Andreas Bull-Hansen	Tour of the grave mounds (45 min)	VIKING GAMES: Archery
METAL YOGA		Duel of balance
		Axe Throwing
Masculinity in the Viking age by Bjørn Bandlien	Tour of exhibitions (30 min)	

**FRIDAY**

SEMINARS Large auditorium	PARK AND MUSEUM	PLAYGROUND 11:00 - 16:00
Presentation of artist David Thierre	MORNING MEDITATION	
Northern Mythology and Rune Mysticism in Enslaved by Ivar Bjørnson	Tour of the grave mounds (45 min)	VIKING GAMES: Archery
HEMA: Historic sword and duelling: By the power of my sword!		Duel of balance
HEMA Duelling show	Tour of exhibitions (30 min)	Axe Throwing

**SATURDAY**

SEMINARS Large auditorium	PARK AND MUSEUM	PLAYGROUND 11:00 - 16:00
Women in the Viking Age – myths and sources by Nanna Løkka	MORNING MEDITATION	
From satan to Odin - the many roots of metal by Harald Fosberg	Tour of the grave mounds (45 min)	VIKING GAMES: Archery
PANEL DEBATE Gender roles in Viking and Metal		Duel of balance
	Tour of exhibitions (30 min)	Axe Throwing

# DJs



**BEER TENT SATURDAY 00:00 – 02:00**

**DJ IVAR «BEERSON» (ENSLAVED)**

Playing your favourite music at your favourite festival? "That's a tough one", Ivar thought. Not. DJ Beerson will spin his definition of "good music"; a foundation of classic Metal on the darker side, furnished with visits to other relevant genres; electro, rock, indie, prog, folk.

Since there's an Enslaved-album in the works ("E" release date October 13th), with only one song released so far: Ivar will premiere 3 new songs at 01:00 sharp. Be there or be square. We like circles better.



**BEER TENT FRIDAY 00:00 – 02:00**

**DJ UGH!**

DJ Ugh plays all kinds of metal, from the classic 70/80's to black and death. He played at the infamous underground club Unholy, and these days he plays regularly at Oslo's metal pub Kniven and Aye Aye club.



**BEER TENT THURSDAY 00:00 – 02:00**

**DJ DRAVEN**

Oslo based Ashe Draven is the head-DJ at the capital's biggest rock & metal pub, Rock In. He's also a writer for Metal Hammer Norway, and vocalist in hard rock band Alphantross as well as the Joachim Nielsen tribute band, De Selskapssjuke.

# GRIMFROST

Grimfrost is a Swedish company founded in 2014 with the goal of sharing their heritage, as well as their modern-day lifestyle with the rest of the world. They are dedicated to making and selling high quality Viking reproductions, ranging from simple pendants to unique high end products not found elsewhere. In addition to historical items, they also offer contemporary products that have been inspired by and interpreted from Viking Age culture.

Grimfrost's belief is that a non-adapting culture that doesn't develop and find a contemporary footing is dead, or in a best-case scenario just an echo from the past. Grimfrost's aim is therefore to build a bridge between now and then, and bring relevant parts of the culture into today's world. There is wisdom to be learned from, achievements to be inspired by and an entire cultural



treasure to embrace. That is the way to become a modern Viking, a Viking at heart.



# THE GUVIHAUG VIKINGS

The Guvihaug Viking group can be found at Guvihaug in Sauherad municipality in Telemark county. Once there was bustling activity around Guvihaug with tradesmen and Viking ships traveling around world. Guvihaug means "the gyger-mound" (gyger= female giant) and the gyger Hyrrokkin, who was stronger than Thor, is the symbol.

The Vikings of Guvihaug are Midgardsblot proud craftsmen and has made our Odins Throne and many of the installations at the festival area. They are a crazy bunch of stunt people too who loves to play with fire, and hosts an annual stunt camp. You can meet them in the Viking village where they got plenty of Viking gear for you to play with!

# LINE-UP

## TÝR

999 A.D. the Christianization of the “Faeroe Islands” casted a veil of oblivion over the ancient Scandinavian gods. Exactly 999 years later, a small group fondly remembering the archaic gods and rites formed TÝR. The one-armed God of War —the bravest of all— became the eponym of the Nordic quartet. TÝR builds their music on farose traditional music dating back to the Vikings and melting it with doom, heavy, and progressive it's as authentic as Viking metal can be! We can't wait for these Faroese Viking warriors to raid our stage!

## SOLSTAFIR

SOLSTAFIR unique blend of vast atmospheric folk rock, metal, and psychedelic moments makes Solstafir's music in a class of it's own. The undercurrent of



Icelandic melancholy and beautiful melodies hits you right at the core of your heart and lay a premise of an experience out of this world when Solstafir enters the Midgardsblot stage outside the Gildehall!

## Gaahls WYRD

Norways Black Metal icon, Gaahl is bringing with him his new band Gaahls WYRD. Having brought to life the music of Trelldom, Gorgoroth and God Seed, Gaahl is already a legend and his vocals helped shape the early sound of Wardruna. Inspired by Norwegian mysticism and folklore, WYRDs black metal will blow your heads off at Midgardsblot!

## AURA NOIR

Whipping drums with Agressors razorsharp jet-black riffs, the frightening vocal delivery of Apollyon, this infernal trio of Aura Noir is completed by Blasphemer of Mayhem fame. Aura Noir is back, stronger than ever, and they will give you a brutal lesson of old school black thrash when they hit the stage at Midgardsblot

## MOONSORROW

The crusaders of epic heathen metal, Finnish Moonsorow are sharpening their swords to blast Midgardsblot! With their mix of folk and black metal, they tell a story of a world where stars no more shine – A world where there is nothing but devastation, despair and death – See you in the pit!

## UNLEASHED

Pioneers of the the Swedish Death Metal scene, legendary Unleashed introduced the “Viking traditions and values” into death metal back in 1989. Prepare for brutal death from these Swedish Vikings chiefs when they go to battle at Midgardsblot.

## ORANSSI PAZUZU

Combining elements of black metal, psychedelica and progressive metal, Finland's Oranssi pazuzu creates dark, sometimes hallucinating, yet melodious soundscapes with haunting vocals. The band's atmospheric post-black metal vibe has created a huge international interest and we are very proud that they have chosen to play at Midgardsblot this year!

## WINTERFYLLETH

Winterfylleth's (Old English for Winter Full Moon) black metal sound conjure atmospheric moods that range from vicious and violent to melodic and elegant, honouring England's rich culture and heritage. Winterfylleth delve into tales of battles, the spiritual outlook of the people, and draws inspiration from sites that have played an integral part in England's history. Get ready for a beautiful and brutal experience when these saxon warriors of metal enters our stage.

## KARI RUESLÄTTEN

Breaking into the Norwegian music scene with doom band The 3rd and the Mortal, Kari was a pioneer, inspiring later bands such as Nightwish and The Gathering. In 1995 she went solo and is also a part of the Sirens. Kari's classical training and roots in the Norwegian folk music tradition has resulted in an extraordinary voice that will carry us all to a world of magic when she enters the Gildehall.

## HEILUNG

Heilung is amplified history, sounds from the northern european iron age and Viking period. The soundscapes are created from samples of reconstructed swords, shields ancient frame drums, bronze rings and human bones. Heilung tries to connect the listener to the time before Christianity and its political offspring, that tortured and burned itself into the european mentality and culture of today. Heilung links. It links the listener to an ancient mind-set and it links people!

## GAAHLS WYRD



SAHG



## SAHG

Sahg's doomy heavy metal and dark energy, mixed with good old stoner rock, makes Sahg the perfect live band. The legacy of bands like Black Sabbath and Led Zepelin is always present in their music yet the sound of Sahg is harder and faster and in a class of its own. We can't wait to have our heads blast off with Sahg's old school, dark twisted rock'n metal.

## FOLKET BORTAFOR NORDAVINDEN

Folket Bortafor Nordavinden invites you to a very special opening ceremony of Midgardsblot – The day of Thor, Thursday, they will perform a Viking Blot to the honour the old gods and we invite you all to blot with us. With their drums, throat singing, crazy humour and high energy, Folket will offer entertaining and informative glimpses into the distant past through their acoustic sessions at Midgardsblot. This year they will bring two guest artists with them for a very special Midnightsconcert in the Gildehall after the Blot on Thursday – Raise your horns!



FOLKET BORTAFOR NORDAVINDEN

## TENNGER CAVALRY

Taking its name from the ancient Mongolian shamanism god, Tengri, Tengger Cavalry blends overtone throat singing, Mongolian horse-head fiddle and other nomadic music tradition of Central Asia with blasting extreme metal, creating the cross genre – Nomadic Folk Metal. We're proud to finally bring Tengger Cavalry to Norway and you're in for a mongolian ride to the battle field with this cavalry at Midgardsblot!



TENNGER CAVALRY

## FORNDOM

Some music makes you see what art really is, and Swedish Forndom is definitely one of these bands. Forndom have achieved the ability to personify the folk legends and ideologies of the ancient tribes who inhabited the Sodermanland area of Sweden in the age of Norse mythology. With the use of traditional instruments entwined with soft chanting vocals, this will be an transcending experience in the Gildehall back to our Norse roots.



FORNDOM

## VIRELAI

Taken their name from old-french for the beauty of music, dance and poetry, Virelai plays Old nordic ballads and dancing melodies from the south of Europe. Constantly working with sounds and compositions of the roots of ancient European music, Virelai evokes a common nerve in people, something familiar we all can relate too - and we bet you all will dance too as well. We can't wait to party with Virelai in the Viking village.



VIRELAI

## SONGLEIKR

We are happy to announce that Songleikr will play the Viking stage Friday 18th! Songleikr plays ancient, and catchy folk songs from all over Europe so expect a ferocious acoustic set when they enter the Viking village – raise your horns!



SONGLEIKR

## BYRDI

This Norwegian duo performs heathen folk music deeply rooted in the music traditions of the North. Byrdi's songs are the perfect soundtrack to Norway's beautiful nature and will make you want to pick up your back pack and just head for the mountains! Prepare for some true Scandinavian nature music when Byrdi enters the stage.



BYRDI

## SUPERLYNX

Superlynx's expression fuses doom, psych, metal, rock and stoner with a penchant for droning and dreamy moods. A sound that makes this band one of the more exciting players to follow within their genre. With their freshly baked debut album, Superlynx has played all over the country and become famous for their hypnotic concerts – When superlynx enters the stage it will be something special you don't want to miss.



NAN MADOL

## NAN MADOL

Hailing from the cold Viking lands of Norway, NAN MADOL will open our mainstage on Friday! Inspired by Enslaved, Opeth and Mastodon, Vestfolds masters of Progressive metal will give you a kick start with their bone crushing riffs and pleasing velvet soundscapes – just the way we like it!

## SYNKVERVET

One of Norway's new symphonic metal bands, Synkvervet from Sandefjord will play our main stage on Saturday. Taking their name from Old Norse for illusion, Synkvervet's mysterious, symphonic and aggressive sound with a vocal so strong and beautiful just totally blew us away! We bet they will headline the worlds biggest metal festivals in some years so don't miss out when they hit the Midgardsblot stage!

## DEUTSCH NEPAL

With an conviction of the purity of it's own distorted creation Lina Baby Doll's project Deutsch Nepal twist the truth and turn the impossible into a reality existing only inside your head. With an atmosphere of a morgue developing into futuristic repetitive doommusic Deutsch Nepal offers an industrial twisted dark ambient experience in the Gildehall – we can't wait!



## ELDRIM

ELDRIM of Borre makes music the way it could have sounded in the Viking age, and they make all their own instruments. Rooted around the Borre grave mounds they're inspired by the darker side of life in the Viking age but also plays medieval- and traditional folk songs with a lighter and more upbeat feeling.

## PROSPER IN DARKNESS AMBIENT STAGE

— CURATED BY SVARTSINN:

## TREPANERINGSRITUALEN

Mixing ritual ambient and death industrial sounds, Trepaneringsritualen, T × R × P explores themes of religion, magic and the occult realms of consciousness. Rhythmic and seething at times, and oozing forward with a creeping sense of desolation, T × R × P conjures bleak but mesmerizing visions of the end-times. T × R × P summons you all to his dark ritual in the Gildehall and we know you'll leave just wanting more!



## LAMIA VOX

Lamia Vox dwelling in the realm of Dark ambient, is enriched with exquisite neo classical and ritual elements alchemically combining each other, creating absolutely unique otherworldly melodism. Feminine and dark, attractive and intoxicating, this music if definitely some sort of a witchcraft – come join the gathering in the Gildehall.



# PROGRAM THURSDAY

GILDEHALLEN	
18:00	DOORS
18:30 - 19:30	BLOT CEREMONY
19:30 - 20:15	BEER TASTING
20:15 - 21:00	SIGNING SESSION JOMSVIKING
21:00 - 21:30	SAGA STORIES GUSTAV
22:00 - 22:45	KARI RUESLÄTTEN
00:00 - 00:40	FOLKET BORTAFOR NORDAVINDEN
VIKING STAGE	
18:00	DOORS
21:00 - 21:30	ELDRIM
22:15 - 23:00	BYRDI
23:30 - 00:00	SINDRI
BEER TENT VALHALLA	
19:30 - 00:00	METAL PARTY
00:00 - 02:00	DJ DRAVEN (club ROCK IN)

# PROGRAM FRIDAY

MAIN STAGE	
14:00	DOORS
14:00	FOLKET BORTAFOR NORDAVINDEN
14:15 - 14:45	NAN MADOL
15:15 - 16:00	SUPERLYNX
16:30 - 17:15	TENGGER CAVALRY
17:45 - 18:30	WINTERFYLLETH
19:00 - 20:00	WYRD
20:45 - 21:45	UNLEASHED
22:30 - 23:30	SOLSTAFIR
VIKING STAGE	
14:00	DOORS
14:45 - 15:15	METAL YOGA
16:10 - 16:20	VIRELAI
17:20 - 17:40	SINDRI
18:40 - 19:00	BYRDI
20:10 - 20:30	VIRELAI
21:50 - 22:20	SONGLEIKR
GILDEHALLEN	
14:00	DOORS
14:30 - 15:15	BEER TASTING
14:55 - 15:15	VIKING BATTLE
15:45 - 16:30	MEAD TASTING
16:10 - 16:30	VIKING BATTLE
17:20 - 17:40	SAGA STORIES GUSTAV
18:40 - 19:00	ELDRIM
20:10 - 20:30	FOLKET BORTAFOR NORDAVINDEN
21:50 - 22:30	DEUTSCH NEPAL
00:00 - 00:45	FORNDOM
BEER TENT VALHALLA	
14:00 - 23:30	METAL PARTY
23:30 - 02:00	DJ UGH! (club KNIVEN)

# PROGRAM SATURDAY

MAIN STAGE	
14:00	DOORS
14:00	FOLKET BORTAFOR NORDAVINDEN
14:15 - 14:55	SAHG
15:30 - 16:00	SYNKVERVET
16:30 - 17:15	ORANSSI PAZUZU
17:45 - 18:30	AURA NOIR
19:00 - 20:00	MOONSORROW
20:45 - 21:45	HEILUNG
22:30 - 23:30	TÝR
VIKING STAGE	
14:00	DOORS
14:55 - 15:30	METAL YOGA
16:10 - 16:30	VIRELAI
17:20 - 17:40	SINDRI
18:40 - 19:00	VIRELAI
20:10 - 20:30	BYRDI
GILDEHALLEN	
14:00	DOORS
14:45 - 15:30	BEER TASTING
15:10 - 15:30	VIKING BATTLE
15:45 - 16:30	MEAD TASTING
16:10 - 16:30	VIKING BATTLE
17:20 - 17:40	SAGA STORIES GUSTAV
18:30 - 18:50	FOLKET BORTAFOR NORDAVINDEN
21:50 - 22:30	LAMIA VOX
00:00 - 00:45	TREPANERINGSRITUALEN
BEER TENT VALHALLA	
14:00 - 23:30	METAL PARTY
23:30 - 02:00	DJ IVAR "BEERSON" (ENSLAVED)

# MIDGARDSBLOT VIKING VILLAGE

THURSDAY 18:00 – 02.00

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY 14:00 – 02:00

At the plains of Gildehallen we set up the Viking Village with our new Viking stage where you get to see and hear ancient Viking songs and Norwegian folk music. Here you will also find the Norse Tattoo Con. No Viking village without merchants so here you can get your Viking bling and souvenirs and all your metal merchandise as well!

of Borre and learn about their activities. Just "ASK A VIKING" - The ones carrying a white banner with Borre beast will assist with Borre and answer any question. Come, see and talk with us and learn about the history in the Viking Age!



## LEKEGODEN AND THE TROLL

– with Jonas Berlin

Lekegoden and the Troll invite you to fight and play as true Vikings. Games and sports was an integrated part of the life of the Vikings and it is the cause of their physique and mastery over the body. Try your skills in strength games, rope games, agility games, throwing games, skin/leather games and wrestling. We hand out medals in form of bruises!



## THE BORRE VIKINGS

The Vikings of Borre Vikinglag will bring you 1200 years back in time and you'll get a taste of how life was in the Park of Borre when our forefathers lived here. Here you will experience daily life and crafts, forging of tools and how the Vikings used them, wooden handicrafts and naalebinding. There will also be plant dyeing of yarn and cooking of historical food.

Borre Vikinglag is a living history society that promotes Viking era history, and handicrafts from the Viking period in northern Scandinavia. Borre Viking group are one of the oldest Viking societies in Norway and every second year they arrange the second biggest Viking market in Scandinavia, Borre Kaupangen, which takes place at Prestegårdstranda in Borre.

## ASK A VIKING!

This year it's easier than ever to get to know the Vikings

Meet Norway's strongest Viking woman: Kikki Berli Johnsen – and compete in strengths with this shield maiden!

Viking reenactors are known for being good in crafts, they are handy, prone to smiling when fighting and being strong. One of the strongest Viking reenactors, is Kikki Berli-Johnsen. The red haired shield maiden has been crowned Norway's Strongest Woman three times.





She has competed on an international level for several years. During Midgardsblot Kikk, comes to play at the Viking playground and in the Viking camp together with Lekegoden and his Troll. Would you dare to toss a caber with, or pull a rope against the mighty Viking woman of 189 cm and 112 kg?

#### THE SONGLEIKR JAM CAMP

Songleikr is a project based on many years of mingling with traditional, Nordic folk music in the Viking environment all over Europe. The name consists of two words from old Norse; *Songr* means song or singing, *leikr* means game, sport or contest. Thus in our interpretation, Songleikr means jam session.



You can find the Songleikr Jamcamp situated at different Viking markets across Europe. The principle is easy: Its a playground for musicians to jam and exchange music, across borders but with roots in traditions. Its also for the audience, to be invited into the magic of musicians that meet on unpretentious terms, without the barrier of the stage between the listener and the player. If you haven't tried to sit around the fire listening to ancient tones, this is the place to be hanging out. We welcome all to try out some instruments or bring your own and jam with us – see you at the Songleikr camp in the Viking village!



#### ELDRIM

The local Viking group Eldrim will have their tents together with Songleikr and invite you to jam with them. ELDRIM makes music the way it could have sounded in the Viking age, and they handmade their own instruments. Rooted around the Borre grave mounds they're inspired by the darker side of life in the Viking age but also plays medieval- and traditional folk songs with a lighter and more upbeat feeling.

#### SAGA STORY TELLING with Gustav Holberg

We proudly present, from the deep caves of the high mountains of Jotunheimr: Gustav, the craziest of storytellers that Norway has to offer. With his words he weaves the stories into your mind's eye and with movement and pure energy he makes them come alive. There is no doubt that he has inherited his talent of speech from his, not so distant, ancestor Loki. This is an opportunity you do not want to miss. Come, listen to his tales of the Aesir and Jotuns and experience the magical and ancient art of storytelling rarely seen in this day and age. Gustav will be telling Sagas in Gildehall Thursday, Friday and Saturday.



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# BORREFYLKINGEN

The mighty warriors of Borrefylkingen have once again returned to the battlefield of Midgardsblot. Forged in the heat of battle, they know no fear, as Odin himself in Valhalla is watching every thrust with the spear and every cut of the sword.

Based in Borre, and with members from all over Vestfold, Borrefylkingen reenacts a military unit from the late Viking age. Outside of the battlefield, their members teach the public about life and equipment of a typical Viking age warrior. Although their weapons are blunt, the fighting is as real as it gets, and only the best warrior can hope to

win eternal glory. As the real Vikings, the warriors of Borrefylkingen are normally spending their summers pillaging and plundering, and their travels have brought them victory in battles as far away as Ireland and Germany.

[www.facebook.com/Borrefylkingen/](http://www.facebook.com/Borrefylkingen/)

[www.borrefylkingen.net](http://www.borrefylkingen.net)



Photo: Borrefylkingen



# FAMILY ACTIVITIES

## VIKING WORKSHOP

Vikings of all ages are welcome to our workshop located inside the tent of the Viking stage, situated in the Viking village. Here you can relax between the battles. Bring your kid or the kid inside you for hobbyrelated activities. You can also learn how to play Viking boardgames on beautiful replicas.

Having a bad hairday? No problem! You can have your hair braided for a small fee. All other activities are for free.

## VIKING PLAYGROUND for all ages!

Open Friday and Saturday from 11:00 – 16:00

At the Midgard Museum

## Archery

Archery was an important skill for Vikings to master, both for hunting and for warfare. Vikings would start their weapons training at a young age, and at Midgardsblot both children and adults can try their hands on this art, instructed by our Viking archers.

## Axe-throwing

More a sport than a skill of war, axe throwing is a difficult endeavor. Finding the right throwing technique and force is a great challenge – which makes it that much more exhilarating when you hit! Our instructors show you how to throw; the rest is up to you!

## Duel of balance

In any martial art – as well as dancing – balance is pivotal. Getting your opponent off-balance is a sure way to win in combat. Try your balance at our playground at Midgardsblot, and challenge your friends to a contest!

## Archaeology\*

Our archaeological site contains such treasures as teeth, ceramics, flint, needles... and who knows what else? Under the guidance of a professional archaeologist, you have the opportunity to dig through ancient soil, and make real archaeological finds!



# WELCOME TO MIDGARDSBLOT NORSE TATTOOCON

Tattoo artist Tor Ola Svennevig from Ihuda Tattoo studio are bringing with him three of the leading artists of tattooing and norse styles to Midgardsbloot this year for the second Norse TattooCon! The Tattoo stands are open from 18:00 on Thursday 14:00 on Friday and from 14:00 on Saturday.



**TOR OLA SVENNEVIG / IHUDA TATTOO**

Tor Ola Svennevig founded Ihuda Tattoo studio (meaning "In the skin") in Fredrikstad, Norway in 2001.

Born and raised in the dark forests of eastern Norway, he got caught by the old Norwegian heritage and the traditions of tattooing from an early age. He is a graduate from art school and he is also a silver and goldsmith. Tor Ola is a self-taught tattoo artist and worked both by hand and with machines, but the last year only focusing on the hand tattooing technique. Inspired by nature and the old Norse ornamental styles, Tor Ola also brings his own style into his works, carrying on the old traditions being inspired by myths and the artists before him. He will only tattoo by hand at Midgardsbloot.



**JANNICKE WIESE-HANSEN / NIDHOGG TATTOO**

Recently having co-founded Nidhogg Tattoo at Bryggen in Bergen, Jannicke have worked as a tattooer for more than 20 years. She specializes in norse designs, making them appear as though carved in wood or stone. Her background in black metal as a cover- and logo art designer for bands like Burzum, Satyricon, Enslaved and Immortal, still makes for a darker approach in her styles of tattooing.



**SEAN PARRY**

Sean Parry is a Welsh artist, raised on the historically rich mountain on the North coast of Wales, the Great Orme. Sean studied art for seven years but with an interest in history from his early age, he was always drawn back into the artistic styles of the ancient Europeans. The Neolithics, celts, Saxons and Vikings, and the rich artistic expression within each of those cultural groups.

The interweaving patterns in the book for Kells to the snarling beasts adorning the Oseberg ship is what fuels his imagination and all his designs are drawn straight onto the skin and are catered to the individual. Sean Parry is doing all tattoos by hand and has one of the most individual styles in the realm of Nordic dotworkers.

**RENATHE H. BRYN / KARMA TATTOO**

Originally from Voss in Hordaland, Renathe started her tattoo career at Karma Tattoo in Haugesund where she still works. She does tattooing in all styles, but specialize more in photographic reproductions, portrait, realism, black and grey and custom drawn pieces.





# BEER TASTING THURSDAY

At Thursday you'll get the chance to taste beers from these breweries. We'll also sell beers from all these breweries in our bars.

## BREKERIET

Brekeriet is a small scale craft beer brewery in the south of Sweden. Brekeriet is the only brewery in Sweden who ferment beers with nothing but wild yeast and/or bacteria. They also secondary ferment many of the beers with berries or fruit in order to further enhance the taste experience.

## OOSTERRIJSEN BREWING CO.

Oosterijsen is located in the beautiful seaside town Risør in the south of Norway. It's run by four guys including two beerloving Americans. They brew crisp and beautiful beers.

## LOFOTPILS

Lofotpils is located in beautiful Svolvær in Lofoten, in the north of Norway. Their German brewmaster makes clean beers with great drinkability that expresses the raw and pure nature of Lofoten.

## OSLO BREWING CO.

Oslo Brewing Co. was established in 2015, in Oslo, Norway. They are a small group of people with different abilities and backgrounds, all living in Oslo and with a common love for Oslo city. Together with the brewmaster and friends, they develop the beer they believe in, and a brand that captures the energy of Oslo.

# BEER TASTING FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

At Friday and Saturday our local brewery Horten Mikrobryggeri will present their craftbeers and also serve you Midgardsblot's own beer «Midgardsøl». You'll get to taste a total of four different beers from Horten Mikrobrygg and get to know all about the process of making the Midgard beer.

## THE MIDGARD ALE

Horten Microbrewery has had the privilege to make Midgardsblots very own festival beer. The Midgard Ale is based on the recipe of "The Beardless Viking", the winning beer from Midgard Beer Festival last year were home brewers competed in making the best Viking beer. The beer is brewed with an exciting mix of ingredients as we think the Vikings might have done it and one of the distinctive characters comes from the beech wood-smoked malt. In addition, we added fresh thyme, birch sap and juniper shoots, so we can definitely say this is not your average beer!



## THE PIPE – SMOKED ALE

This beer is brewed based on the German "Rauchbier" and brewed with as much as ninety percent beech wood-smoked and aromatic malt that give it a distinctive smoke and malty flavor imparted by using malted barley dried over an open flame. This is the beer for Whiskey lovers and barbecue enthusiasts.

## LOOSE CANON – AMERICAN PALE ALE

One of our favorite beers! A typical hoppy American Pale

Ale with a twist, the Loos Canon is both single and dry hopped with the famous Citra. This hop has a strong kick and intense aroma that remains balanced by a smooth taste. With aromas of passion fruit, grapefruit, gooseberry and lime it has a fresh and fruity character.

## TORPEDO – STOUT

A stout with a real Irish character. Brewed with a good chunk of roasted malts Torpedo is a rich flavored and full-bodied beer, yet with a surprisingly light and smooth taste. It has a classic balanced bitterness and a moderate hoppy aroma with delicious flavors of coffee and chocolate, making it the perfect choice to pair with a sweet dessert.





# MEAD TASTING FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

## MEAD TASTINGS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

We are proud to present our very own organic Midgard mead brewed by local brewery Eiker.

Eiker is a small scale producer of mead and beer located in Mjøndalen. The brewery is family owned and

run with a staff of father, mother and son. All products produced are either certified organic or based on locally sourced ingredients. The brewery experience

with nordic flavours such as lingonberries, juniper, elderflower and whatever else can be foraged. The mead is based on locally sourced honey and produced with low fermentation temperatures in order to preserve as much as possible of the aroma from the nectar.

At the tasting you will get to taste the Midgard mead and also a couple of beers from Eiker Brewery.



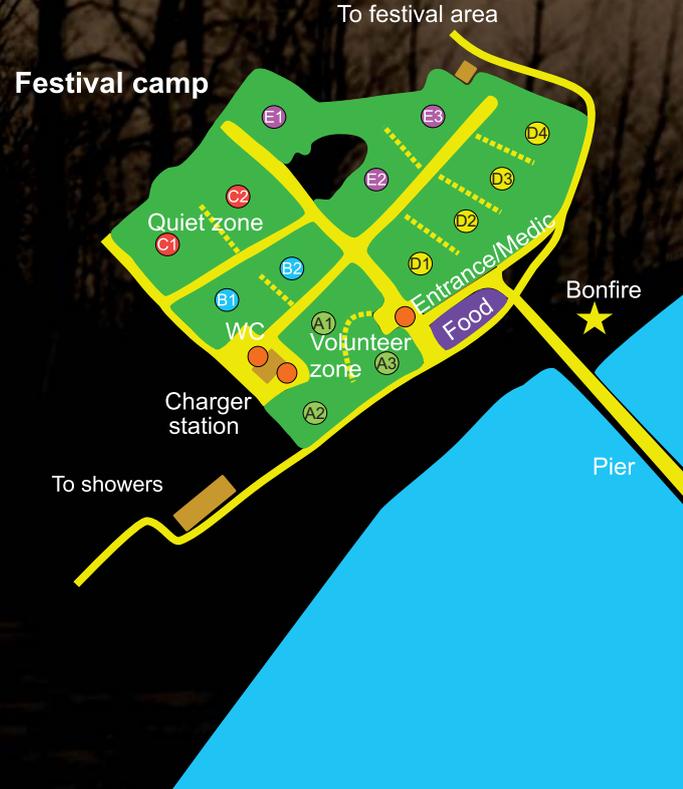
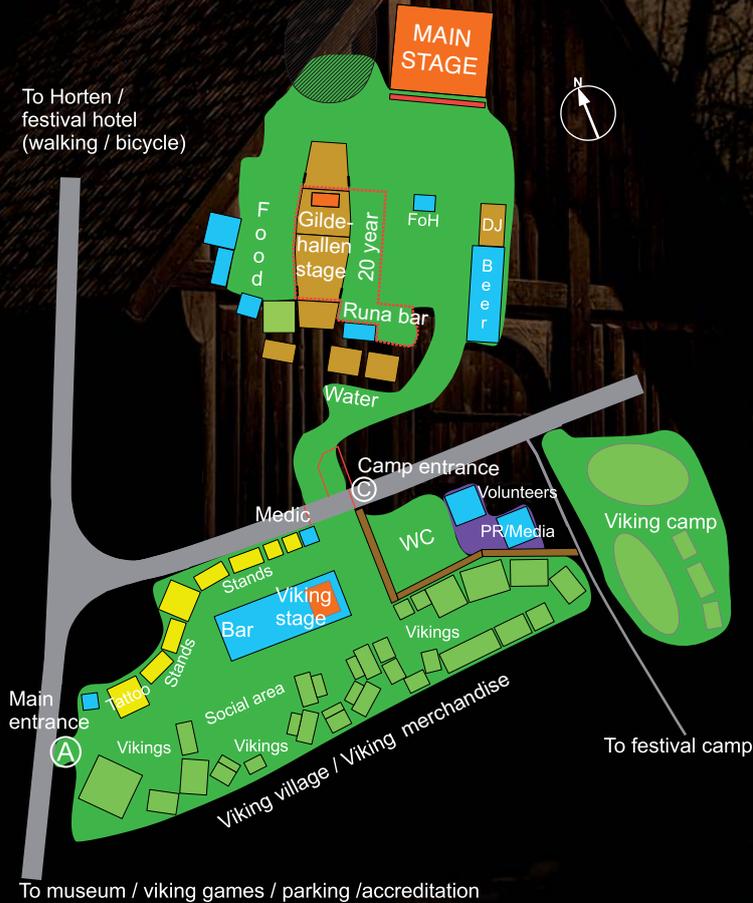
# MAP BORRE

1	Showers
2	Parking
3	Tickets / accreditation / shuttle bus
4	Midgard museum / viking playground
5	Festival main entrance / viking village / viking stage
6	Gildehallen / main stage
7	Viking camp
8	Festival camp
'	Bonfire
.....	Bus route
B	Bus stop (Kirkebakken)
—	Main road
—	Walking routes



# MAP FESTIVAL AREA

# MAP FESTIVAL CAMP



# SHUTTLE BUS

Bus tickets are for pre-sale at the ticket tent at Midgard Historical Museum kr. 50,-. You can also buy ticket on the bus in cash (no change, exact amount please) and VIPPS (number 29203.)



## > TO FESTIVAL

### THURSDAY 17. AUGUST

10:00 THON HOTEL (ÅSGÅRDSTRAND) > 10:15 DAL GÅRD > 10:30 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 10:45 BEST WESTERN HOTEL (HORTEN) > 11:00 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD)

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19:00 THON HOTEL (ÅSGÅRDSTRAND) > 19:15 DAL GÅRD > 19:30 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 19:45 BEST WESTERN HOTEL (HORTEN) > 20:00 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD)

### FRIDAY 18. AUGUST

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### SATURDAY 19. AUGUST

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## FROM FESTIVAL >

### THURSDAY 17. / FRIDAY 18. / SATURDAY 19. AUG

22:40 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 23:00 SKOPPUM TRAIN STATION (TRAIN SKOPPUM 23:18 > OSLO AIRPORT 23:47)

00:00 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 00:15 BEST WESTERN HOTEL (HORTEN)

00:30 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 00:45 DAL GÅRD > 01:00 THON HOTEL (ÅSGÅRDSTRAND)

01:15 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 01:30 BEST WESTERN HOTEL (HORTEN)

01:45 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 02:00 DAL GÅRD > 02:15 THON HOTEL (ÅSGÅRDSTRAND)

02:30 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 02:45 BEST WESTERN HOTEL (HORTEN)

### SUNDAY 20. AUGUST

09:50 FESTIVAL AREA (MIDGARD) > 10:10 SKOPPUM TRAIN STATION (TRAIN SKOPPUM 10:18 > OSLO AIRPORT 11:47)

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