

## EXCURSION

The excursion will start at Universitetsplassen at 09:00 Saturday 2 April.

The first stop will be at the great burial mound at Gokstad in Vestfold, some 120 km south of Oslo along the Oslo fjord, where the large Gokstad ship was excavated in 1880. Sensational archaeological discoveries in the surrounding landscape have been made in recent years, which will be presented by Professor Jan Bill, curator of the Viking Ship Collection in Oslo and leader of the interdisciplinary project *Gokstad Revitalized*. The excursion then continues northwards to the Oseberg burial mound, where the magnificent Oseberg ship was excavated by Professor Gabriel Gustafson in 1904. The trip continues north to the Borre National Park, with burial mounds dating from the Merovingian and Viking age. A Viking lunch will be served at *Gildehallen*, a reconstructed Viking age great hall next to the burial mounds at Borre. Dr Terje Gansum, head of the Cultural Heritage department of Vestfold Municipal County, will present the Borre burial mounds and the exhibition at the Midgard Historical Center, before the bus returns to Oslo.

The arrival in Oslo is estimated to be 17:00.

<b>Departure Universitetsplassen</b>	<b>09:00</b>
<b>Gokstad</b>	<b>10:30 – 11:15</b>
<b>Oseberg</b>	<b>12:00 – 12:20</b>
<b>Lunch at <i>Gildehallen</i>, Borre</b>	<b>12:30 – 14:00</b>
<b>Borre burial mounds and Midgard Historical Center</b>	<b>14:00 – 15:30</b>
<b>Arrival Universitetsplassen</b>	<b>17:00</b>

## VIKING AGE VESTFOLD



The times are subject to changes due to circumstances during tour