Excursion

The Frisian ethnic minority in North Frisia
A unique landscape with its own independent language and culture
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South of the German-Danish border over on the west coast, lies a unique and striking landscape: North Frisia – the country of dykes and the settlement area of the ethnic North Frisian people.

13:00 Depart Hotel des Nordens, 2 buses, with tour guides Bahne Bahnsen (English) and Jörgen Jensen Hahn (German/English)
L 12 before Goldebek: Bilingual welcome sign (Nordfriislon) via Mönkebüll/Mönkebel

13:45 Stollberg, observation tower at the nature experience area (view across the marsh to the North Sea and its islands and halligs)

With 44 metres above sea level, the Stollberg in the county of North Frisia is the highest piece of ground in the county. It is part of the ridge of heathland protruding off to the west, and was formed in the last ice age. From here you have a good view across the immediate and distant landscape. The Stollberg is part of the Bordelum municipality and is situated directly adjacent to federal highway B5. In April 2002 the Schleswig-Holstein Ministry for the Environment, Nature and Forests declared the area a nature experience area.

14:00 Resume journey via Bordelum/Boorlem, Sönke-Nissen-Koog

14:15 Amsinck-Haus and the view over the outer dyke to Hamburger Hallig

Directly on the dyke in front of Hamburger Hallig lies the Amsinck House. It provides a modern exhibition of things worth seeing and finding out about the history, nature and culture of a unique North Frisian landscape. Things worth knowing about the life and work of the people past and present are shown clearly, and using multimedia. Six typical representatives of North Frisia guide you through the exhibition in the form of an audio play.

15:00 Resume journey via Ockholm/e Hoolme to West-Langenhorn/e Weesterhoorne
15:15 Afternoon coffee in the Westermöhl

16:00 Resume journey via Schlütsiel/Slütsil (harbour without leaving the bus) to Fahretoft/Foortuft

16:20 Kirchwarft Fahretoft/Foortuft, tour of St. Laurentiuskirche (Hans Werner Paulsen), Hans-Momsen-Haus, Backhaus

17:10 Resume journey via Waygaard/Woiguurd, Efkebüll/Äfkebel to Ost-Bargum/Aaster-Beergem

17:25 Tour of the Aeolus windmill

The **Aeolus** windmill was built as a two-storey galleried Dutch windmill in 1887 and remained in use until 1960 – but in the end driven electrically. When the Carstensen family bought the windmill in 1975, it was missing its sails, wind rose and parts of the roof cladding, and the gallery. The mill cap and the roof were restored in the following years, and the gallery rebuilt. Today the mill has sails that turn and is once again a representative building with two grinders, an old electric motor, transmission, a vertical shaft and, since 2005, a new bevel gear, to allow the vertical shaft to rotate once more. The newest project at the mill was the “Wind Power Pilot Project” which involved installing a power generator to produce electricity for heating.

18:15 Depart Bargum/Beergem

19:00 Arrive back at Hotel des Nordens