

## Eidsvoll 1814 – The historic Eidsvoll Manor and Centre of the Constitution



In Norway “Eidsvoll” is not only synonymous to “Constitution”, but the word gives Norwegians strong feelings of national identity and the birth of a nation.

At the Eidsvoll Manor 112 elected delegates debated and signed the Norwegian Constitution in the spring of 1814. Born in the period of enlightenment, revolutions and Napoleon, the Constitution of Norway is the second oldest still in practice only “championed” by the American Constitution of 1787. The building where it all happened is Norway’s most important National Monument.

At the museum you can relive the epic moments of the war-ridden period of Napoleonic Europe and how the Norwegian constitution was formed in chaos and turmoil. Amidst all troubles, new principles of politics arose and lifted Norway from being part of an autocracy ruled from Copenhagen, Denmark, to become one of Europe’s most free and modern societies. Vital to this was the Norwegian Constitution and the role of the founding fathers of Norway.

### Eidsvoll 1814 consists of:

A) *The Historic House Eidsvoll Manor*, where the Constitution was created, debated and signed.

B) *Wergeland House* (named after the national poet of Norway, Henrik Wergeland), with The Democratic Center for Youth with a permanent

exhibition on the political system of Norway and how to influence it,

Kafé Standpunkt (Café Point of View!) and The Founding Fathers Portrait Gallery.

C) *The Historical Park* and surrounding areas, with outdoor exhibitions, the museum shop, playgrounds for children and a beautiful scenery along the Andelva river.

**Eidsvoll 1814** offers specially arranged tours for American visitors, showing the unique aspects of the Norwegian constitution and the role of their founding fathers but also comparing it to the American Constitution and the founding fathers. You will meet Norway’s Jefferson, Madison and Hamilton, and even the Danish Prince who would become king of Norway in 1814.

Apart from being the most important historic building in Norway, it is also the best restored 18<sup>th</sup> Century Manor. We offer activities and facilities for all kinds of visitors – families are highly recommended. Welcome to **Eidsvoll 1814!**

**Facts:**

**Duration:** 1-3 hours

**Suitable for:** Individuals and groups

**Price:** NOK 95,- (groups 15 persons) Individuals NOK 130,-

**Package includes:** Guiding

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**Transport suggestions:**

Charter bus: [www.schaus.no](http://www.schaus.no) [www.viptransport.no](http://www.viptransport.no)

Rent a car: [www.avis.no](http://www.avis.no)

Public transport: [www.ruter.no](http://www.ruter.no)

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