

BORTE FRA ALFARVEJ FAR OFF THE BEATEN TRACK

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Borte fra alfarvej

Mine ture i Østhimmerland sker ofte på sparsomt trafikerede småveje, der fører mig gennem skove og langs vidtstrakte marker. Ofte krogede veje omgivet af gamle læhegn, hvor vi ved, at vejene har eksisteret helt tilbage i Middelalderen.

På min vej rundt i dette rurale landskab finder jeg ødebeliggende gårde og huse. Små, skrøbelige broer fører over grøfterne og de små vandløb.

Nogle af vejene er asfalterede. De er oftest dårligt skiltede med gode muligheder for at fare vild. Andre steder er der grusveje. Måske ender de blindt, og jeg må vende om og prøve en ny spændende vej længere fremme. Det bakkede landskab skjuler smukke land-

skabspartier, der kun venter på, at en landskabsmaler kommer forbi.

Fra bakketoppen er der udsigt til et landskab med de oprindelige små gårde og marker. I det fjerne skimtes det blå hav.

Ude mellem markerne og inde i de små skove finder jeg jordveje med to spor og med græsabat i midten. Mange steder kører jeg på små veje, der er omgivet af skov på begge sider, og hvor solen og skyggerne leger med lyset. Indkørslen til de større gårde er ofte prydet med smukke alléer af gamle træer.

Samtidigt med at jeg nu er kommet langt fra de større veje, kan tankerne også få fri til en rejse langt fra hverdagens travle alfarvej.

Far off the beaten track

Often my drives in East Himmerland take place on sparsely trafficked small roads, which take me through forests and along extensive fields. Often winding roads surrounded by old windbreak belts, where we know that the roads have existed all the way back in the Middle Ages.

On my way around in this rural landscape, I find deserted farms and houses. Small, fragile bridges spans over the ditches and the small streams.

Some of the roads are asphalted. They are often poorly signposted with good opportunities to get lost. Elsewhere there are dirt roads. Maybe they will end blindly, and I will have to turn around and try an exciting new path further on. The hilly landscape hides beautiful landscape sections that only are waiting

for a landscape painter to come by.

From the hilltop, there is a view of a landscape with the original small farms and fields. In the distance, the blue sea is glimpsed.

Out between the fields and inside the small forests, I find dirt roads with two-wheel tracks and with centre strip of grass in the middle. In many places I drive on small roads surrounded by forest on both sides where the sun and shadows play with the light. Often the driveway to the larger farms is graced with beautiful avenues of old trees.

While I now have moved far away from the major roads, also my thoughts can be set free for a journey far off the busy beaten track of everyday life.



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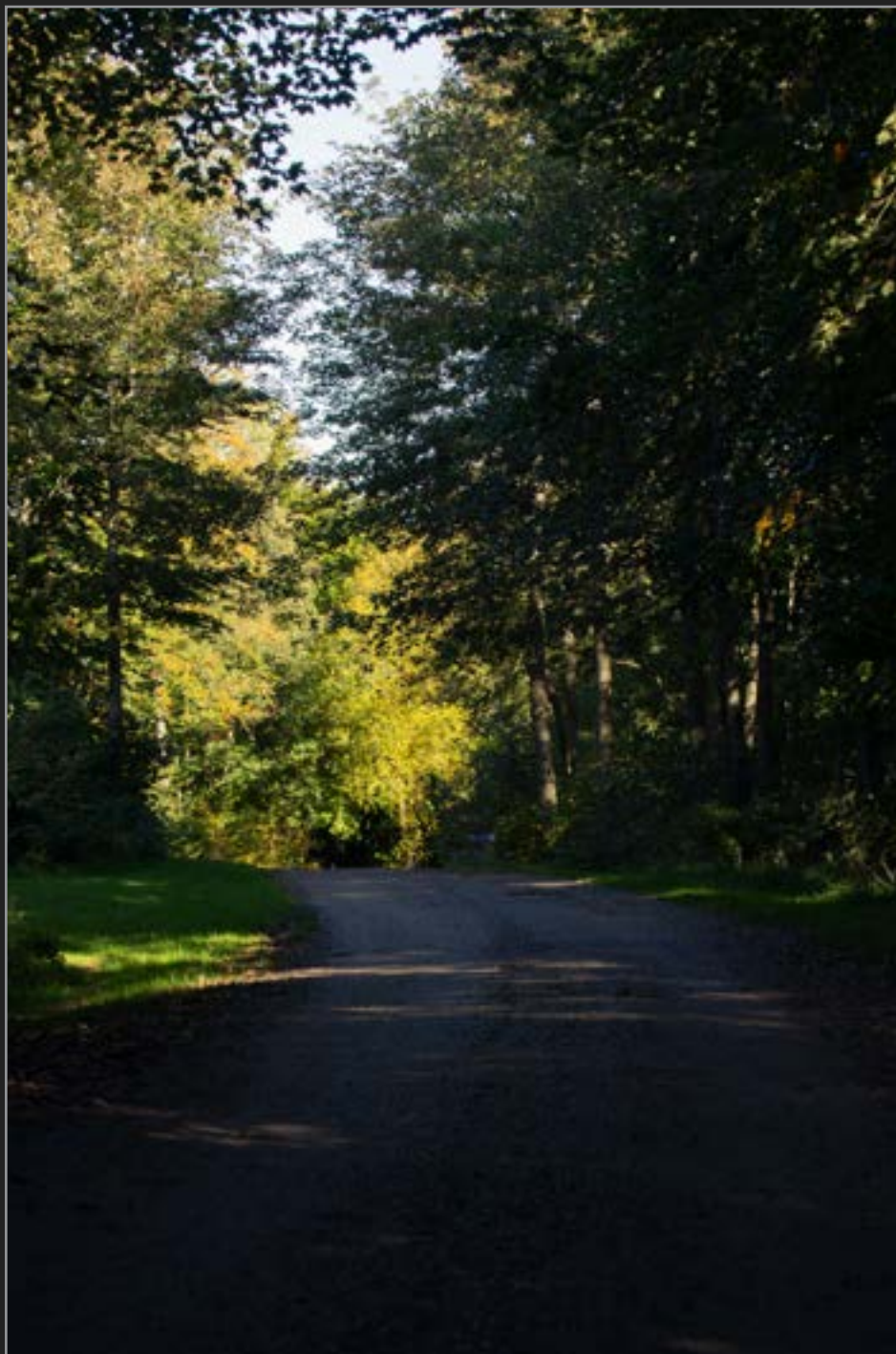
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