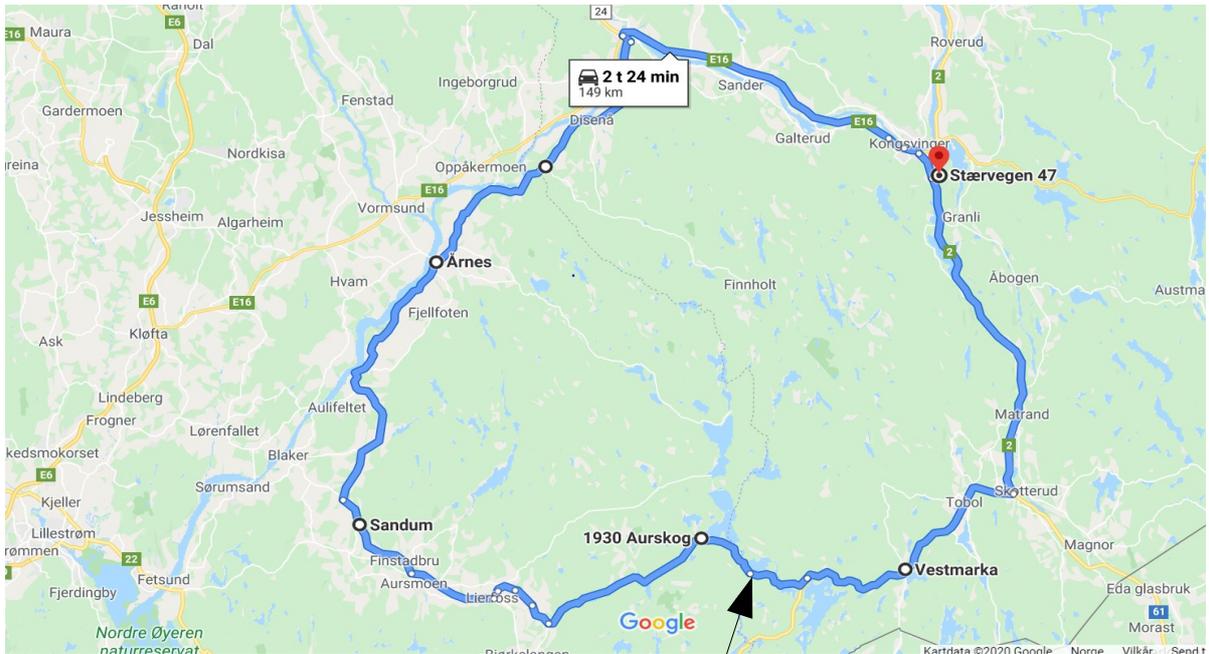


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On April the 24th, we took a tour as indicated on the map below.



We had a stop and took a picture at Søndre Mangen.



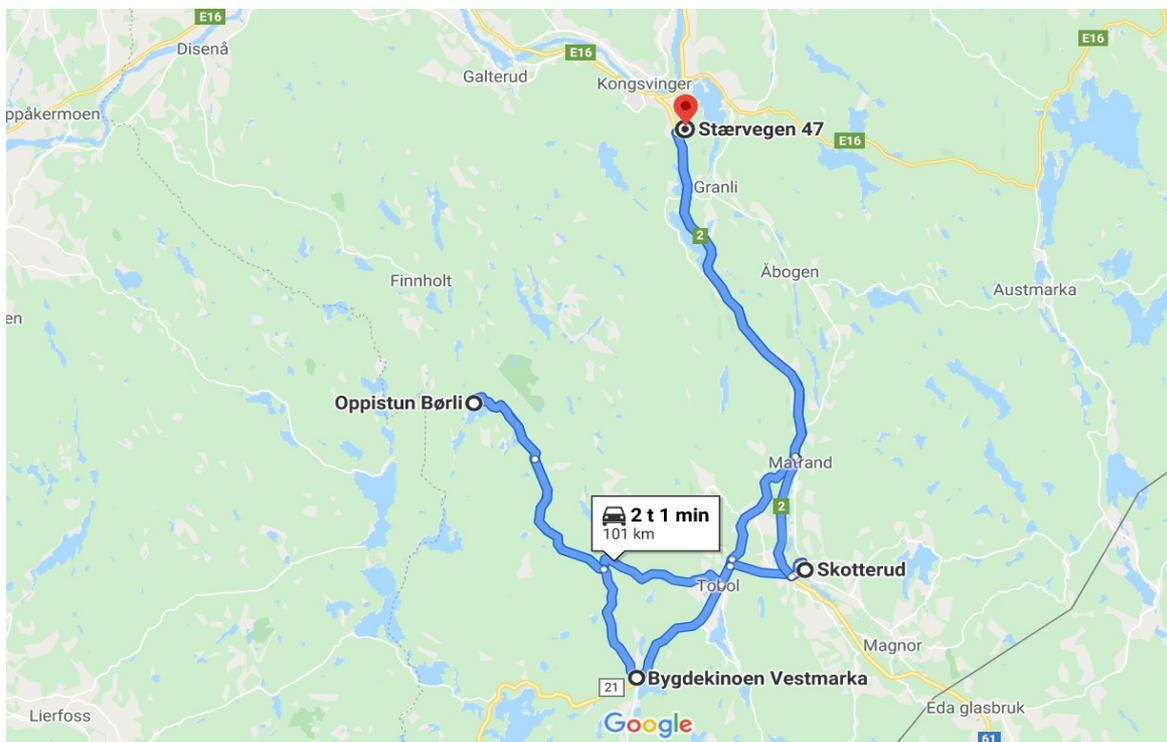
Nordre Mangen and Søndre Mangen is located by the lake Mangen. Mangenvassdraget is passing Arvika and Säfle and on to Vänern in Sweden.



We also made a short stop by Store Garsjøen. Here are information posters for Mangenfjellet turlag.



The next day, the 25th of April, we drove in the same area, to Børli. The driving route looked as shown on the map below.



On the way we took the shortest road from Matrand towards Børli. From Tobøl there was a lot of loose gravel on the road, so on the way back we drove via Vestmarka and Skotterud.



Road sign some distance into the forest..



At the parking lot below Børli.



View from the parking lot towards Børli.



On the way.

[Oppistun Børli](#) is the place where [Hans Børli](#) (1918–1989) was born and grew up. Hans Børli lived in his childhood home until 1946 when he married and moved to Tobøl. He worked his entire working life as a logger and was an author as well, and received the label 'the poet of the forest'.

The site is owned by the forest company [Stangeskovene](#). [Hans Børli company](#) rents the area but owns the houses. The site was cleared by [Forest Fins](#) in the early 18th century. The Børli family became associated with the place when Hans Børli's great-grandfather settled here in 1860, as a homemaker under landowner Haneborg in Høland. An interesting detail is that there is a quarry below the houses. From here, stone was delivered to cover a wall of a bank building in Oslo. There is also a polished stone in the entrance hall of the Institute of Geosciences at Blindern.

There is also a stone from Børli to be found in 'Steinrøysa neri bakken' outside NRK on Marienlyst. After [Alf Prøysen](#)'s death in 1970, there was a desire for a central memorial to him. Outside NRK's premises at Marienlyst is '[Steinrøysa neri bakken](#)', a memorial established in 1971 on the initiative of NRK. Steinrøysa consists of one stone from each municipality in Norway.



Along all the trails in the area there are many posters with poems by Hans Børli.



Down in the hills we found this small pond.



In this area there was a lot of [windflowers](#) and [vårpengeurt](#).



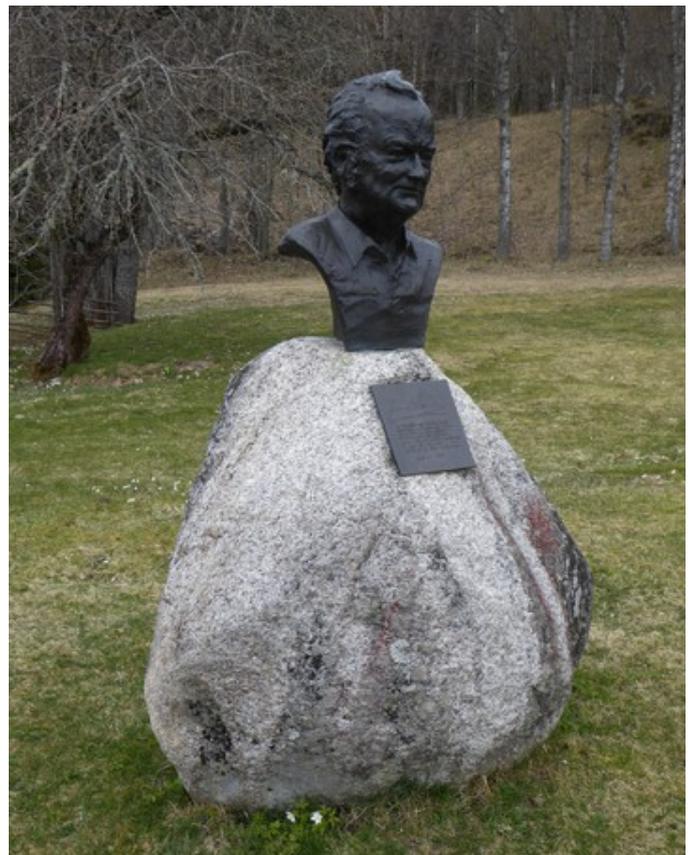
The outbuildings



The farmhouse burned in 1969. Only the stairs are left.



The houses seen from below.



Here is a bust of Hans Børli by artist Svein Tore Kleppan.

A bust of Hans Børli is also located outside Eidskog town hall. The place where it stands is called [Hans Børli's place](#).

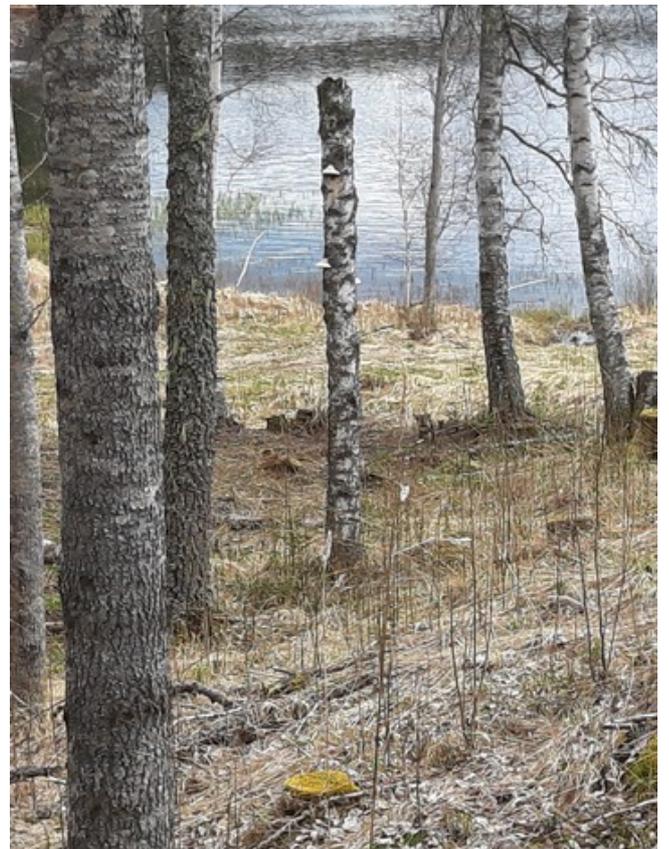


Here we see the [hagberry](#) and the gate.

This sign is next to the gate. The tree is a gift from the Ministry of Culture and it was planted by Culture Minister Ellen Horn on June 3, 2001.

At the bottom, the poem [June Night](#) is reproduced.







Back to the car.



Here we are at the parking lot.



As we drove down again towards Vestmarka, we discovered that the beaver had worked diligently. There were felled trees on a long stretch of the river Buåa.

