

MANCHESTER 22. - 24. SEPTEMBER

We traveled to Manchester to celebrate birthdays. Asbjørn had a birthday on September 24 and Anne Berit on October 2.

Asbjørn turned 72 years old and Anne Berit turns 78, so we found out that we had to celebrate 150 years of birthday. Asbjørn says he hardly returns to Norway, so we chose to travel a short trip to England.

We booked a flight with [SAS](#) and we parked the car at [Gardermoen Parkering](#).

We have problems to walk a long way, so we ordered wheelchair assistance at the airports. Still, we had to walk far to get to the check-in desk at Gardermoen. Besides, we had to walk far to get to the wheelchair service. We had to wait a bit there. After that it went well. We were rolled past all the queues all the way to the gate.



Here we are on our way to Gardermoen.



Here we are at [Oslo Airport, Gardermoen](#) at a restaurant right next to Gate F26.



From the restaurant.
It's called Foodbar.



The plane went at 11.25 without delays. On the plane we had ordered a meal. A pizza was served that was not good. It was a thick dough with a thin layer of tomato sauce and an equally thin layer of cheese. In addition, we ordered water, white wine + Gin & Tonic,

We landed at [Manchester Airport](#) at 12.35. When we got out of the plane, the wheelchairs were waiting for us, and we were rolled past all the queues for passport control. We were even driven to where we were going to order a taxi and afterwards out where the taxi would pick us up. It was a little while to wait, but it was nice weather, so it was fine. The service here was very good.

We drove straight to Asbjørn from the airport. It takes just over half an hour.



Leela, Deborah, Madelaine and her boyfriend Jakub.



They had made lots of good sandwiches that we had to taste before going to the hotel where we were to stay.



We had booked accommodation at [Novotel Manchester West](#). The hotel is located in Worsley. We also stayed there in 2018.



The room looked like this.



The bar



We had a wine before dinner. We sit in the bar area and look in the direction of the restaurant.



Here we see the restaurant. We sat right outside this area because we found that there were better chairs there.

We had beef and fish and chips.

Anne Berit was dissatisfied with the fish. It was a tiny little fillet with a thick layer of batter.



This is from the breakfast room. When we had breakfast we sat at the same table we sat at the night before. The breakfast selection was ok.

I had eggs, bacon, beans, fried mushrooms and fried tomato.



After breakfast we went to Asbjørn. Here we have Deborah and Evelyn. Evelyn was going to work. Deborah had taken free the two days we were going to be there.



This is a gift from Isak to Asbjørn. Asbjørn thinks Famous Grouse is a good whiskey.



Asbjørn had some rarities to show us. This is a wolf scissors.

He demonstrates to me.

They live very centrally. It is walking distance to [ASDA Swinton Superstore](#) and [Swinton Square](#) which is both a shopping center.

We had planned to have dinner at [Puccini](#) which is right next door. It is an Italian restaurant that was started in 1982.



Deborah and Asbjørn study the menu at Puccini.



Madelaine and Jakub.



Leela and Evelyn



Then we ordered.



Anne Berit had pasta.



I had veal with mushroom sauce



Here are everyone in the picture except Anne Berit who took the picture..



Anne Berit and Asbjørn each got their candles + shared birthday song.



The candles were popular.

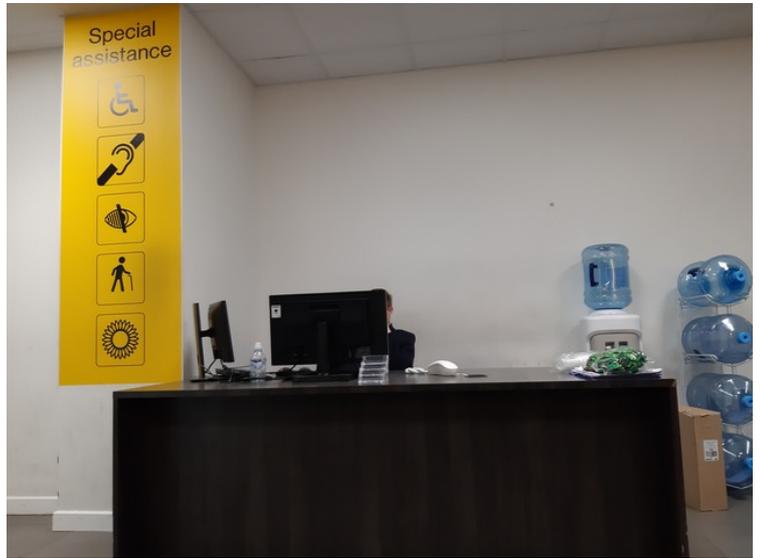


The boss himself came and brought in the candles. He wanted no fire.

Asbjørn recorded a [video](#).



Before we left the hotel the next day we took a picture of these water bowls at the reception.



We took a taxi from the hotel to the airport. After checking in, we had to find the wheelchairs. We had to ask where it was. Many people were waiting for help, so we had to wait a while. Here we have come to an intermediate station. We had to wait here until we knew which gate to use. When we got to the gate we were driven all the way to the door, So when the boarding started we were the first to board.

The plane went at 13.11 and was at Gardermoen at 16.05. Here the passengers had to take a bus to the terminal. Our wheelchairs were ready for us, but we had to wait a while until they arranged a car to drive us to the terminal.

There was only one guy to roll us, but he did well.

Then it was waiting for the bus to Gardermoen Parkering so we could pick up the car.