

Vinterglanz at Rulantica: water fun with a touch of Nordic magic

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At the Europa-Park water world, visitors can escape the dreary winter months and enjoy unforgettable water fun. Numerous slides, a huge wave pool and an exciting water playground ensure endless entertainment. On 28 November, Rulantica will be celebrating its seventh birthday, kicking off the Vinterglanz event for the very first time. The event brings together action and relaxation with a distinctly Nordic Christmas atmosphere. Guests can also look forward to a warm, magical glow at the Nordic Festival of Lights, which returns to Rulantica from 11 January to 19 March 2027. A packed programme of shows promises variety and fun for the whole family throughout the winter season. And the water world is still growing: the new Nørd Havn themed area is due to open by the end of 2027.

Vinterglanz: Nordic Christmas magic at Rulantica

As the temperatures start to drop outside, a very special time of year begins at Rulantica: from 28 November 2026 to 10 January 2027, the water world will be aglow with festive splendour as part of the Vinterglanz event. Visitors can enjoy refreshing, fun-filled water attractions combined with a Nordic Christmas vibe, atmospheric lighting and magical moments for the whole family. The lobby will be decked out with an impressive Christmas tree, whilst decorated fir trees, sparkling garlands and charming festive details will bathe the water world in an enchanting Christmas glow.

At the heart of Rulantica, guests can look forward to the highlight of the evening at Surf Fjørd. The new show, 'VINTERGLANZ – The Glow of the Home Star', combines a heart-warming Christmas story with stunning acrobatics, enchanting puppetry and spectacular special effects. And there's even more in store: a colourful programme of shows – featuring the bubble show 'Snorri in a Christmas Bubble', the interactive show 'The Vikings & the Secret of Christmas' and the thrilling 'Vinter-Circus: Clown Acrobatics Show' – is sure to amaze and offer plenty of fun.

Slide adventures and attractions for the whole family

At Rulantica, action, adrenaline and adventure are guaranteed even in winter. Whether it's freefalling, racing down the slides with friends or riding a tyre down the half-pipe, guests can enjoy non-stop excitement. There's the interactive Tønnevirvel water carousel or Europe's biggest speed slide, Vikingløp, which has a total of eight tubes for competitors to race down while lying on mats. Snorri's Saga whisks guests off on a 250-metre-long lazy river through a colourful underwater cave, taking them on a journey through Rulantica. A special winter experience awaits in the Svømmepøl heated outdoor pool: whilst the crisp winter air sweeps across the Nordic landscape, guests can simply relax in the lovely, warm water. They can even enjoy a drink while in the water at the covered Svømme-Bar.

A water world full of relaxation and luxury

For guests seeking a bit of peace and quiet, the Hyggedal sauna and wellness area is the perfect place to find it. Spanning more than 1,000 m², this Nordic oasis offers stunning views over the water world. With three saunas featuring soothing infusions, a steam room, outdoor terraces and comfortable loungers, it's the perfect place to unwind. The KOTA Sauna Chalet, for example, has a traditional feel: amidst rustic tables and seating, as well as a sauna stove, guests can work up a sweat in a cosy cabin atmosphere whilst enjoying a freshly tapped wheat beer. The exclusive day suites offer guests the ultimate in comfort and relaxation. The Nørd, Øst, Sør and Vest Svits feature amenities including their own sauna, a cosy lounge area and a private loggia. And for even more exclusivity, there are the Rulantica VIP Svits Sørvind and Vestavind.

A quick bite to eat

If hunger strikes between all the action and relaxation, guests are guaranteed to find just the thing from one of the many dining options on offer. Whether in the glass-fronted conservatory Snekkjas Vinterhage with views of the outdoor area or right by Surf Fjørd, there are refreshments for young and old alike. Even guests without a ticket to the water world can enjoy delicious drinks and a fantastic view over Rulantica at panoraama – the Rulantica Bar.

Happy Birthday Rulantica

On 28 November 2026, Europa-Park's water world will celebrate its seventh birthday and, at the same time, kick off the festive winter season at Rulantica. Magical highlights await visitors throughout the day: every hour, there will be festive mini-parties during the Snorri Meet & Greets, where Snorri will be bringing along little birthday surprises and Vinterglanz gifts. And an airbrush station featuring exclusive Vinterglanz and birthday designs will add some extra colourful touches.

Wintery water fun until midnight

As part of the Vinterglanz Special at the Rulantica Midnight Party, Europa-Park's water world will open its doors until midnight on Saturday 5 December 2026, offering slide fans and party-goers over 14 hours of action and a party atmosphere. At Skip Strand, Rulantica performers will be getting the party going with a DJ set, whilst the specially erected indoor beach bar will provide the perfect feel-good atmosphere. It will be a truly unforgettable evening to celebrate winter in style!

In the Nordiskturn area, there's a highlight in store in the evening for all speed enthusiasts: the Late-Night Slide Challenge will see guests racing down the Vikingløp racing slide to beat their personal bests and compete for a place on the podium at the subsequent awards ceremony.

Nordlyfest: A sparkling sea of lights at Rulantica

From 11 January to 19 March 2027, the Nordic Festival of Lights returns to Rulantica. In the world of Nordic gods and legends, there will be thousands of lights to chase away the winter darkness and bathe the water world in a warm, magical glow.

The wide-ranging entertainment programme will also entertain visitors day after day: sparkling shows for the whole family, creative hands-on activities for the youngest guests and atmospheric walking acts in glowing costumes are sure to create unforgettable moments for each and every visitor. In the evening, guests can experience the crowning highlight of the day, when the Surf Fjørd is transformed into a magical stage – featuring spectacular light installations, breathtaking effects and impressive aerial acrobatics high above the water.

Rulantica is open daily between 9.30am and 10pm (Exceptions: 24 and 25 December, when the park is closed, and 31 December, when the park closes at 7pm; for Europa-Park hotel guests open daily from 9am). Due to limited capacity, we recommend booking Rulantica tickets online well in advance. Tickets are available at https://tickets.mackinternational.de/en/category/rulantica-tickets. For the best prices, book an overnight stay at https://reservations.europapark.de/?culture=en. For the latest information and admission prices, please visit https://www.europapark.de/en/rulantica. Tel: +49 (0) 7822 77-6655.



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At the Rulantica Midnight Party at 5th of December visitors can experience Rulantica water world until 12am



There are slides and water fun for the whole family