

# THE FJORD COAST REGIONAL- AND GEOPARK



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## GEOPARK

A Geopark focuses on geology as its main theme and aims to link dissemination and value creation to an area's geological heritage.

UNESCO Global Geoparks are defined as «...single, unified geographical areas where sites and landscapes of international geological significance are managed with a holistic concept of protection, education and sustainable development.

On the coast of Norway, as far west as you can get in the country, the people of four municipalities have joined forces to preserve an ancient and distinctive cultural landscape.

The municipalities of Solund, Fjaler, Askvoll and Hyllestad are working together to protect and develop their communities on the local terms.

In recent years, the people who live here have focused heavily on preserving the coastal heaths, a threatened landscape.

Establishing The Fjord Coast Regional- and Geopark has increased their understanding of how important the interaction between landscape and culture is in the region.

## REGIONAL PARK

The Regional parks contribute to local value creation and development power.

The parks develop products and experiences based on local roots and collaboration with local businesses, organizations and public authorities. This is how «living landscape» are created, through preservation, development and cooperation.



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