

Vision



CREATED BY ARTIST Hilde Mæhlum, the Vision sculpture aims to amuse and bemuse locals and visitors alike. Look at the polished front of the sculpture, and you will see that the figure's nose is in fact inverted. Since early childhood our brain has been teaching us that the human nose points forward with the eyes right behind it. But take a few steps back, relax and squint a little, and you will discover that your brain takes over and puts it right: the nose is pointing forward as it should, and your brain has created a sensible version of the sculpture – all inside your head! What's even more strange: walk slowly past the sculpture while staring at it, and it will follow you with its eyes. If you stand to the east of it, the sculpture looks east. If you stand to the west, it looks west. It certainly lives up to its name.

WHAT YOU MIGHT SEE ON YOUR WALK

CHILDREN'S FARM: Experience goats, rabbits, ducks and chickens up close.
Photo: Rauland Skisenter



World Heritage Site



FROM THE VISION sculpture you have views of the serene Lake Møsvatn. Did you know that you are in fact looking at a Unesco World Heritage Site? Groundbreaking industry using hydroelectric power has existed here for more than 100 years. This is the story about water being converted into electric power on its journey from mountain to ocean, the story about the emergence of the Norwegian welfare state – a state that went from rags to riches in the space of a century. Lake Møsvatn has been dammed three times since 1903 and is the very source of the industrial history that has been written in the Rjukan-Notodden region. It is a manifestation of how innovation, capital and human ingenuity worked together to create a new reality. That's what you call Vision!

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AFTER HIKING: Enjoy a freshly made waffle and a cup of coffee at Vierli Kafeteria.
Photo: Rauland Skisenter



ENJOY the evening by Lake Oksatjønn.
Photo: Guro Lien



MEDIUM WALK →



Rauland – Telemark

WALK Vidsyn-Oksatjønn

THEME Sculpture walk – Vision



ILLUSION! Will your brain put it right? You are your own artist!
Photo: Guro Lien



Description of the walk

THE TRAIL STARTS AT The trail starts at Vierli Kafeteria by the subway under the main road. Follow the marked trail to the top of Mount Vierlinuten (1,100 m above sea level). The Vision sculpture stands on top of the mountain. Take a break and enjoy the amazing views across the Hardangervidda Plateau and Raulandsfjell mountains. Continue along the trail across the ridge towards Lake Oksatjønn. Parts of the trail are gritted, and it eventually turns into a dry path. There is some marshland along the route with footbridges to keep your feet dry. The route is clearly marked and can be extended by making a detour to Silkeldalen (4 km).

Family orienteering at Vierli: the course has eight control points in the terrain around Vierli Kafeteria. Everyone who completes the course gets a diploma and a small prize.

Driving directions

Follow route FV37 from Krossen in Rauland to Vierli (11 km).

P Parking available by Vierli Kafeteria.



At walktelemark.com you will find an overview of accommodation for hikers.



You are responsible for your own safety during the walk. Treat the countryside and grazing animals with respect. Take only photos, leave only footprints. Please take your rubbish home with you. Enjoy the trip!



Local Tourmap Rauland: 1: 30 000.
Altitude: 1100 metres above the sea level.



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— = marked summertrail



Dog must be leashed
 April 1. – October 10.



Access:
 June-September.



THE DAMMING UP of the lake had a major impact on local residents. They went from living in a picturesque mountain village to island dwellers. There is no road to the village, and the lake remains the only transport route both in summer and in winter. As you take in the views, you can almost imagine the farms and grazing land hidden under the surface.



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