

European Bat night, August 29th, 2026. Published text.

<https://www.eurobats.org/international-bat-night>

Event description: A late night event open to the public hosting a range of activities and bat walks to celebrate European Bat Night.

We will start with an introduction to bats and their importance, followed by two separate but time-overlapping tracks:

Track one: Identifying good bat trees. What defines a good tree? A walk for trees suitable for bats for roosting and resting. How do we protect and preserve these bat habitat trees?

Track two: Invited guest speakers share their field expertise on use of sound, bats' use of sound, our impact on bats through light and noise pollution, how we monitor bats, and what we all can do to help in conservation efforts.

At dusk, prior to the batwalks, light trapping of the insects flying above will be done to identify what is on the bat menu tonight. An additional insect light trapping will be done later in the night as well.

We will conduct several rounds of bat walks with both Danish and English spoken, where everyone can take part in watching and monitoring using a mix of standard handheld bat detectors and some more advanced equipment.

Finally, the results of the bat walks will be collected and compiled. Outreach materials will be produced and provided for the event in both Danish and English, and attendees will have the chance to receive an update on their monitoring efforts from the event.

The event is organised by Danmarks Naturfredningsforening in Helsingør, and has received generous support and cooperation from Nationalpark Kongernes Nordsjælland, Danmarks Naturfredningsforening, Naturstyrelsen (approval) and Naturcenter Nyruphus (Helsingør Kommune).

Also, without the help of numerous enthusiast and volunteers, this event would not have been possible – so to them a very big Thank you for your efforts and engagement.

International guests are welcome. Venue language is in danish, however english bat-guide is present throughout the event and also on the bat walking tours.

Bring a curious mind, sensible footwear, warm clothing and your own supplies.

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