

Leaving the airport terminal, turn right. Driving on the right-hand side of the road is recommended.

Turn right at all available T junctions, roundabouts and things for the first ten minutes.

At junctions, keep in right feeder lane, signposted Sandnes.

Turn left towards Sandnes (509). This is an automatic toll road (you don't need to do anything except smile while you're photographed).



As soon as you pick up signs for **E39 Kristiansand**, follow those instead of Sandnes.

Safely on the E39 (kind of dual carriageway in patches), you'll follow this road through ÅLGÅRD (a small town of mini-roundabouts and petrol stations) and then past lakes and rivers for another 10-15 minutes.

At the bottom of quite a long hill, there's a village (Vikeså), with a Statoil petrol station on the left (see next photo).

TURN LEFT BY STATOIL STATION, along road 503.



Follow road 503 through village, past Tine dairy and Joker shop on the right (it sells food, not itching powder), then past school on left and running track on right.

Keep going, past rivers and lakes.

At the turn-off to Ivesdal (see next picture), keep to the "main" road towards Byrkjedal. The road narrows after this point and there are a few blind bends.

Keep going, past rivers and lakes.



When the road crosses a bridge at MALMEI,



take the first turning on the right (signposted Stavtjørn and Ørsdalen).

Keep going, past rivers and lakes.
Keep going, past more rivers and lakes.
Keep going, until you're fed up of rivers and lakes.

There is a series of three short tunnels, then up a little hill and past the odd river and lake before you encounter a fourth tunnel.

Enter this fourth tunnel slowly, for three reasons:

- It is less exuberantly lit than the previous three
- Every sheep for miles around uses the tunnel entrance as a bedroom (though most sheep have gone in for the winter by now)
- The road surface is a trifle uneven

Down the winding hill and to a road junction.
Turn left (signposted HOVLAND and BJORDAL).

Keep going, past a river. If you see a lake, you've gone wrong.
When you pass the churchyard (white fence) on left, you're half way. From the junction, that is, not from the airport. On the right, you'll see a huge boulder, about the size of a house, which disconcertingly has rolled off the mountain at some point. Note that passing boulders have right of way over cars. Literally. Once you can see the boulder, turn left up the gravel track, by the two post boxes.

Keep going: no rivers or lakes unless it's raining hard. We're at the top.