Holmenkollen Ski Jump

Oslo, Norway

Holmenkollen National Ski Arena is one of Norway’s most frequently visited tourist attractions and includes the Holmenkollen Ski Museum & Jump Tower, shops, a café and a ski simulator. Holmenkollen hosts World Cup Nordic Skiing events every winter, and the entire ski jump and arena was rebuilt before the 2011 FIS Nordic World Championships. Inside the ski jump is the world’s oldest ski museum, with 4000 years of skiing history on display. The ski jump was designed by the Danish firm JDS Architects. Their design brings together all the amenities contained in the jump. Everything from the judge’s booths to the souvenir shop and the entrance to the museum are contained in one holistic diagram.

The jump is made from 1000 tonnes of steel and rises about 60 metres into the air. The top is cut horizontally to accommodate a viewing platform with a panoramic view of Oslo and its surrounding areas. The towering steel structure is clad in a stainless steel mesh, which provides wind protection. At night, the mesh is illuminated from the inside, transforming the sports facility into a fascinating light-spangled artwork.

Environment: Urban
Material: Clad in stainless steel mesh
Architects: JDS Architects
Completion: 2011
Manufacturer: en.gkd.de
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