

COUNTESS VICTORIA BERNSTORFF-GYLDENSTEEN

Victoria is an American resident in Denmark. Born in New Jersey, she grew up in Florida, Mexico and California. Her American roots are mostly in Monterey, California where she attended Santa Catalina School for Girls and became a young equestrian riding with Dick Collins at the Pebble Beach Equestrian Center in the 1960's.

Victoria has lived with her husband in Denmark for the past 30 years. Son, Eric, graduated from College of the Atlantic (Maine, USA) and son, Peter, graduated from Copenhagen Business School with an Executive MBA. Peter recently started as a Sales Manager for Europe with the firm of Vestergaard Frandsen, a Danish company headquartered in Lausanne, Switzerland. Vestergaard Frandsen is a rapidly growing company founded in 1957, specializing in complex emergency response and disease control textiles, with a focus on waterborne and vector-borne disease (www.vestergaard-frandsen.com).

Besides her constant involvement with various funds and charities across Denmark, Victoria was an intricate part of the recent development of Gyldensteen Golf (www.gyldensteengolf.dk) (click the British flag in the upper right hand corner for English) a "links style" golf course. Gyldensteen Golf was recently awarded the honor of being one of the top five new courses outside of the United States by *Golf Inc.* magazine. The designer was Line Mortensen, the first female member of the European Institute of Golf Architects (www.linemortensen.com). The family came into possession of the golf course property, Christianslund, close to the turn of the 20th century, adding this to the whole of Gyldensteen that has been in the family since 1717 (www.gyldensteen.dk) (click the British flag for English and the picture of the Gyldensteen house on the left hand side). Being an avid golfer herself, Victoria also took on the update and renovation of an old Scottish school house in Gullane, Scotland. The village of Gullane is located just 18 miles east of Edinburgh, 20 minutes by train to the centre of the city, 40 minutes drive from the Edinburgh airport and an hour and a half drive from Glasgow. She has created a golfer's dream getaway in the heart of Scotland's Golf Coast (www.oldschoolhousegullane.co.uk).