# World class excursions



In 1680, King Charles XI ordered the construction of the city as Sweden's naval base, due to its location. The city centre of Karlskrona is uniquely situated in the middle of the archipelago, 6 km from the mainland. This gives a unique, spacious sense to the city and breathtaking views. The naval presence has ensured distinctive architectural qualities, and UNESCO has named Karlskrona a World Heritage City. Despite its militant past, Karlskrona is a peaceful town, with an open and friendly atmosphere. Gunpowder towers and fortifications make a splendid backdrop, together with a mix of yellow ferries, white sails and the occasional submarine visible in the waters surrounding the city.

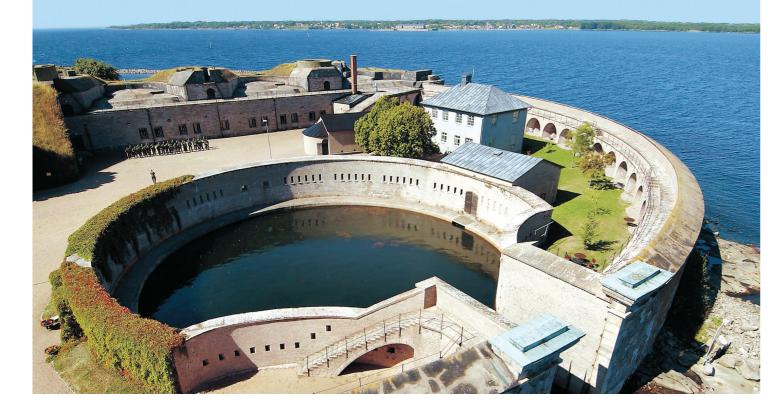




ARCHIPELAGO & WORLD HERITAGE

## Kungsholm Fortress

This fortress has guarded the entrance to Karlskrona for more than 300 years. A spectacular boat tour out in the archipelago let you experience the fort's exotic garden and stunning circular harbour. This is a great opportunity to see and learn about Karlskrona from its best side, the seaside!





KARLSKRONA HIGHLIGHTS

#### Karlskrona City Tour

Enjoy the Great Square, picturesque Stumholmen, Björkholmen and Brändaholm, the Old Naval Shipyard, a view of Karlskrona and the archipelago from its highest point, Bryggareberget. Ends with guided tour of the Naval Museum.



HEART OF THE WORLD HERITAGE

### **Old Naval Shipyard**

Located inside the Naval base, available only through guided tours. Unique still ongoing naval history. Visit the monumental Wasa shed, the Dry dock and the 300 m long wooden building holding the Ropery from 1690, where real ropemakers show you their skills. You're welcome to give them a hand.





#### GARDENS & COUNTRYSIDE

#### Brändaholm & Kristianopel



Kristianopel. Venture into the spectacularly scenic countryside in southeastern Sweden and explore the country's first renaissance town Kristianopel. Kristianopel, which was previously a danish town, was founded almost a century before Karlskrona. In its earliest years the town served as a remote frontier fortress for the Danes. The frontier were frequently under attack by the Swedes in a long power struggle between the countries.



Brändaholm. Visit the place very often promoted as the image of Sweden! Karlskrona's allotment cottages have a unique building style from the 1920s, with small houses built in similar design, size and colours. Brändaholm has great natural beauty and stunning views of the city, making it a very popular place for walks.

