

World class excursions



An exciting encounter with Sweden's naval history

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



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.

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.



Exclusive excursions for smaller groups and expeditions



World Heritage by SUP

On the stand-up paddle board you'll be in a UNESCO biosphere reserve while enjoying the UNESCO World Heritage City from the seaside.



Beginners & advanced



SUP-yoga

A fantastic way of experiencing both the beautiful archipelago and finding peace of mind. Our experienced instructors meet you at the quay and just a short walk away, you'll step onto the boards and paddle out into the Baltic sea.



Beginners & advanced



Snorkel with seals

The secluded islands of "Utklippan" outside of Karlskrona are Sweden's southernmost, with a great seal colony. Superfast RIB-boats* will take you out on an adventure where you get to snorkel with the seals and enjoy outdoor lunch on the island.



* Own zodiacs possible



Survival in the archipelago

This exciting activity is led by instructors from the Swedish Navy, who will teach you how to survive on a deserted island. Learn to find your own food, build your shelter and make a fire. Easy you say? Maybe not so, but we promise you a memory for life!



SWEDEN AT ITS BEST

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Local food & drink experiences

Visit some of the local producers of award-winning goat cheese, meat and wine. A tour of the beautiful countryside, with stops at different farms and factory outlets, where you'll be able to meet the local people and animals.



Beer tasting tour

Swedish beer, you say? Absolutely, we say! Join our cicerone on a short walk downtown to visit some of our local craft breweries, pubs and restaurants for a taste of local beer and culture.



Meet the locals

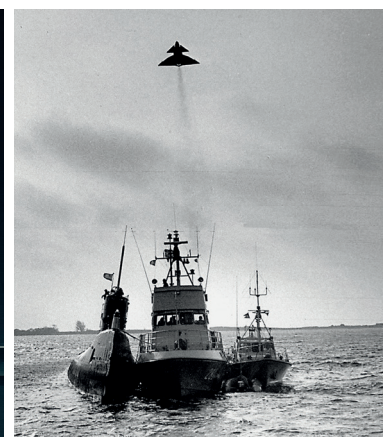
We welcome you on a tour of the little islet of Brändaholm, which boasts allotment cottages with a unique building style from the 1920s. To own a cottage you need to live in Karlskrona and the local owners are very proud of their houses, not to forget their gardens. We'll make stops at a couple of gardens where you'll be able to have a look inside and enjoy a typical Swedish "fika" – a coffee & cake – in company of the hosts.



Could be combined with other tours

Cold War Experience

During the Cold War a concept of "total defense" was developed in preparation of the feared invasion by the Soviet Union – only 35 km across the Baltic. Join an exciting underground tour of a civil defense shelter from the 1950 and go through the railway tunnel directly under the Main Square. We end the adventure in the impressive Submarine Hall, a part of the Naval Museum.



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Drottningsskär Citadel

Join us on a scenic boat trip out to the impressive citadel from 1690 that has defended Sweden from Katarina II and Lord Nelson.

Your guide will tell you the story about the shots that weren't fired and tales from the dungeons! Enjoy the view of the archipelago from the canon deck and have a delicious lunch in the courtyard before going back to the city.



Biking on the cosy island Aspö

A 20 minute ferry-ride with breathtaking view of the archipelago, takes you out to the island of Aspö. It's a small idyllic place, perfect for exploring by bike. Enjoy the tranquility, the lush nature and gardens and top it off with a Swedish "fika" at the World Heritage site Drottningsskär Citadel.



Level easy



Island to island by bike

Explore several of Karlskronas highlights and hidden gems on this 2 hour guided bike ride. The tour brings you to no less than 4 islands, and gives you a great understanding of this city built on water.



Level easy



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Adventures for independents



The Trinity Church (German Church).



Enjoy a refreshment in the city center.



Local shopping, Karlskrona Lamp Factory.



Charming area of Björkholmen.



Complimentary mini-train.



Stand-up paddleboard is a fun way to explore.



Take the ferry to Aspö.



Blekinge Museum.



The Naval Museum is a treat for all ages.



Hop-on hop-off archipelago boats.