

Magic Sweden - From Royal Streets to Rustic Retreats

24th to 30th November 2025

Day 1 - 24TH Monday: Welcome to Sweden!

The Swedish journey starts with Stockholm – the capital of Scandinavia!

Your adventure begins the moment you land at Arlanda Airport! Our SveGuide hosts will be there to greet you and guide you to your transfer to Stockholm City. Whether you choose the Airport Bus or the Arlanda Express Train, which takes you to the Central Station, your journey into Sweden's stunning capital starts here (transfer at your own expense).

Upon arrival, SveGuide hosts will also meet you at the Central Station and will direct you to the Scandic Sjöfartshotellet, where our SveGuide hospitality desk will assist you with check-in and registration.

Stockholm, often called "the city on water," is built on 14 islands, blending historic charm with modern elegance. Your stay on Södermalm (South Island) places you in one of the city's trendiest neighbourhoods, just a short walk from Gamla Stan (Old Town)—the beating heart of Stockholm's history and culture.

In the late afternoon, we'll set out on a captivating, guided walk through the medieval streets of Gamla Stan, where every cobblestone has a story to tell. In the dark November night, we'll step into one of the charming historic buildings to enjoy a warm and welcoming dinner in a cosy restaurant—a favourite among local guides. This is the perfect opportunity to indulge in Swedish flavours, soak in the ambiance, and connect with fellow travellers.

Day 2 - 25TH Tuesday: Pearls of the Capital

Today, we dive into the very best of Stockholm! Our morning begins with a guided panoramic coach tour through the city's most iconic sights, offering breathtaking views and fascinating stories about the Swedish capital.

One of the stops is the magnificent City Hall, home to the legendary Blue and Golden Halls, where the prestigious Nobel Prize banquet takes place. As we explore, you'll get a glimpse behind the scenes of one of the world's most celebrated award ceremonies.

During the tour, we journey to Royal Djurgården, a lush island brimming with history and culture. Here, we step into the world-famous Vasa Museum, where the perfectly preserved 17th-century warship awaits. Unique in the world, one of a kind! Discover its dramatic history, the

challenges of conservation, and the incredible effort to keep this maritime treasure intact for future generations.

Of course, we do as the Swedes do – enjoying a traditional fika (coffee break) before our tour concludes at the Royal Palace.

From here, the city is yours to explore! You might want to:

- Stroll through the enchanting Christmas Market at Stortorget, filled with festive lights, handcrafted gifts, and seasonal treats.
- Visit the Nobel Museum to learn about the brilliant minds who have shaped history.
- Discover one of the many nearby museums, each offering unique insights into art, history, and culture.

The late afternoon and evening are yours to enjoy at your leisure—relax, explore, and soak in the magic of Stockholm at your own pace.

Another unforgettable day in Sweden awaits!

Day 3 – 26TH Wednesday: Through History to the Heart of Sweden

Uppsala - From Vikings to Visionaries

Rise and shine! This morning, we set off northward into the Swedish countryside, where rolling landscapes and historic landmarks guide us to Uppsala—one of Sweden's oldest cities.

Here, history whispers from every corner:

Hear about the legacy of Carl Linnaeus, the world-renowned botanist who revolutionized how we classify nature. Experience the academic spirit that has shaped the city since the 15th century and continues today. From the bus, enjoy the view from Uppsala Castle, rising above the city– a reminder of Sweden's royal past.

Our journey through time includes visits to:

- ◆ The Cathedral, a masterpiece of Gothic architecture and the final resting place of Swedish royalty.
- ◆ The Gustavianum University Museum, where centuries of scholarship come to life.
- ◆ The Viking Museum in Old Uppsala, where we uncover tales of mighty Norse rulers and the sacred burial mounds that still stand as silent sentinels of the past.

Over lunch, we take in the views of ancient royal tombs, remnants of Sweden's early religious and political centre.

Onward to the Dalarna – A UNESCO World Heritage Site

In the afternoon, we continue to Falun, a historic town known for its deep connection to mining, sports, and outdoor life. This picturesque destination still bears the marks of its rich past, from its copper mine to its cultural scene. Upon arrival, we check in to our hotel and prepare for a special evening.

Opening Ceremony at Dalarna Museum

As the November evening settles in, we embark on a short, guided walk through the streets of Falun. The crisp autumn air sets the perfect atmosphere as we arrive at the Dalarna Museum, where the official opening ceremony takes place, surrounded by the traditions and heritage of the Dalarna region.

Dinner is at your leisure—take the opportunity to explore Falun's local dining scene and savour the flavours of central Sweden.

Day 4 –27TH Thursday: Art & Culture in the World Heritage Area

Today, we journey deep into Sweden's artistic and cultural heritage, exploring the landscapes, homes, and traditions that have shaped the country's identity.

Our day begins with a short visit to the very heart of the UNESCO-listed Falu Copper Mine. This historic site, once one of the world's most important mines, played a key role in shaping Sweden's wealth and power. Standing here, you'll feel the echoes of the past in the rugged, rust-coloured terrain.

From here, we travel through the serene countryside, making a special stop at Carl Linnaeus' wedding cottage—a charming glimpse into the personal life of the world-famous botanist.

Step into a Swedish Masterpiece in Sundborn

A must stop when visiting Dalarna is the picturesque village of Sundborn, home to one of Sweden's most beloved artists, Carl Larsson. We'll enjoy a specialised guided tour of the house, where Carl and his wife Karin crafted a uniquely Swedish interior style that continues to inspire homes around the world. This visit offers an intimate look into their artistic vision, personal lives, and the warmth that made their home a national treasure.

A Festive Christmas Lunch at Staberg Cultural Reserve

Our cultural journey continues at Staberg, a beautifully preserved master miner's estate that is also part of the World Heritage Site. Here, we'll indulge in a traditional Swedish Christmas lunch, a feast filled with festive flavours and historic charm. As we dine, we'll also learn about the history of these estates and their role in Sweden's mining legacy.

The late afternoon and evening are yours to enjoy at leisure—whether you choose to unwind, explore, or savour more of Falun's cultural delights.

Day 5 - 28TH Friday: Storybook Sweden - A Journey Around Lake Siljan

Today, we venture into the heart of Dalarna, a region steeped in history, folklore and breathtaking landscapes. This picturesque area has been captivating visitors since the 19th century, enchanting everyone from renowned writers like Hans Christian Andersen to Swedish royalty.

Our journey takes us through the Siljan region, a land shaped by a massive meteorite impact millions of years ago. As we travel through rolling hills, charming villages, and scenic lakeshores, we make memorable stops in:

Rättvik - Famous for its stunning long wooden jetty stretching into Lake Siljan, offering breathtaking views.

Tällberg - A charming village known for its storybook-like scenery, many hotels and panoramic vistas over the lake.

Mora - The proud finishing point of Vasaloppet, the world's longest and most famous cross-country ski race.

Nusnäs - No visit to Dalarna is complete without experiencing the magic of the Dala horse! We step into a traditional workshop where these iconic wooden horses are still carved and painted by hand—a symbol of Sweden recognized worldwide.

Siljansnäs - At Naturum Dalarna, where we learn about the region's rich flora, fauna, and geological history—a fascinating insight into this unique landscape.

When reaching the far end of the vast Lake Siljan, we step into a world of fairytales. Here, Santa and his friends welcome us for a magical lunch, adding a touch of Nordic folklore and festive spirit to our journey.

As evening falls, we return to Falun, where the night is yours to spend at leisure—relax, reflect, or explore the town at your own pace.

Day 6 –29TH Saturday: A Taste of Dalarna

Full-Day FEG AGM Meeting for FEG ExCo and Delegates

While some of us embark on this flavourful journey, **FEG ExCo and Delegates AGM will participate in a full-day meeting at the hotel, providing a platform for discussions, networking, and planning for the future.**

The rest of us will experience a delicious journey that brings Sweden's rich food traditions to life.

Award-Winning Cheeses – One stop takes us to one of Dalarna's most celebrated cheesemakers, where we sample locally produced, artisan cheeses crafted with care and tradition.

Knäckebröd, crispbread, straight from the oven – the timeless art of Swedish crispbread baking, as we visit a bakery where this staple has been made by hand for generations in wood-fired ovens. The irresistible aroma alone is enough to transport you back in time!

An Unexpected Delight: The Ostrich Farm – One of the highlights of our food tour is a visit to a family-run ostrich farm, where innovation meets tradition. Here, we discover how ostrich eggs are transformed into luxurious ice creams, rich pralines, and other delicacies—a truly unique taste experience.

A Glittering Finale – Swedish Traditions Meet Pop Legends!

As the evening sets in, we come together for a spectacular gala dinner at the hotel—a night filled with delicious food, lively entertainment, and unforgettable moments.

The celebration continues with a vibrant mix of traditional folklore and the timeless hits of ABBA! The question is—have you packed your glittery dancing shoes? Because tonight, the dance floor is calling!

Laughter, music, and the joy of celebration will make this a night to remember—a perfect farewell to our incredible journey through Sweden!

Day 7 – 30TH Sunday: A Walk Through History

Half-Day FEG AGM Meeting for FEG ExCo and Delegates

While some explore the rich mining history of Falun, **FEG ExCo and Delegates AGM will participate in a half-day meeting at the hotel, wrapping up discussions before the final farewell.**

On our final day, we take a journey back in time to explore Falun, a town shaped by over a thousand years of mining history.

The morning begins with a guided city walk through the charming streets of this UNESCO World Heritage town. As we stroll past rows of small red cottages, once the homes of hardworking miners, we get a glimpse into the daily lives of those who helped build Sweden's wealth.

At the legendary Falun Copper Mine, we embark on a guided underground tour, stepping into the very heart of Sweden's industrial heritage. As we descend into the historic tunnels, we'll uncover the stories of the miners who toiled here, and how this mine played a crucial role in Sweden's development and prosperity.

This day offers a memorable farewell to our Swedish journey, bringing together history, heritage, and culture in an unforgettable way.

Farewell Lunch & Departure

As our incredible journey through Sweden and Dalarna comes to an end, we gather for a farewell lunch at the hotel—a final moment to reflect, share memories, and enjoy one last taste of Swedish hospitality.

Satisfied, inspired, and full of unforgettable experiences, we bid farewell to Dalarna, carrying with us a deeper understanding of its history, culture, and traditions.

In the afternoon, our coaches will take us back to Arlanda Airport, ensuring arrival no later than 16:00, marking the end of this extraordinary adventure.

Safe travels and thank you for being part of this unforgettable journey through Sweden! ✨ SE

Important Notes:

All bookings will be open only to qualified tourist guides, members of the FEG association-members and to one accompanying person per hotel room.

All bookings will be on a first-come first-served basis. Deadline 10th September 2025. If we reach full capacity, an alternative hotel will be offered, but not guaranteed at the same price.

Participants are asked to register online and pay per person for the package after they fill in all details in this form and received an invoice. The form fields marked with an asterisk are compulsory.

Before you book, please read the Terms and Conditions underneath carefully.

By filling in all details and registering online, the participant automatically accepts all terms and conditions.

