

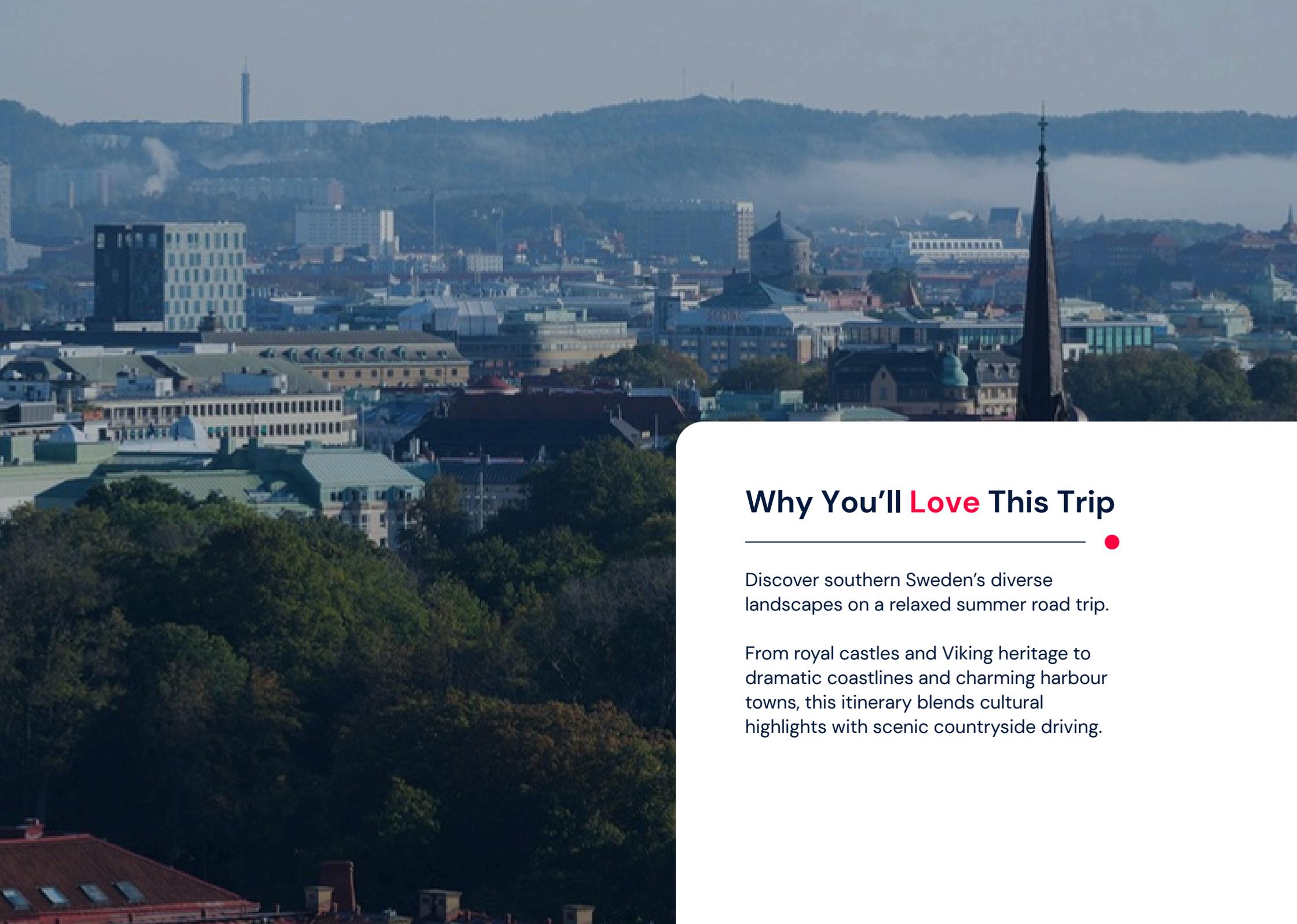
FROM STOCKHOLM: CASTLES, COASTLINE, MEDIEVAL TOWNS, AND SCENIC COUNTRYSIDE

# Sweden Grand Summer Self-Drive

Stockholm | Karlstad | Gothenburg | Helsingborg | Karlskrona | Västervik  
8 Days | 7 Nights

Travel style:

Independent self-drive journey



## Why You'll **Love** This Trip

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Discover southern Sweden's diverse landscapes on a relaxed summer road trip.

From royal castles and Viking heritage to dramatic coastlines and charming harbour towns, this itinerary blends cultural highlights with scenic countryside driving.

## What You'll Experience

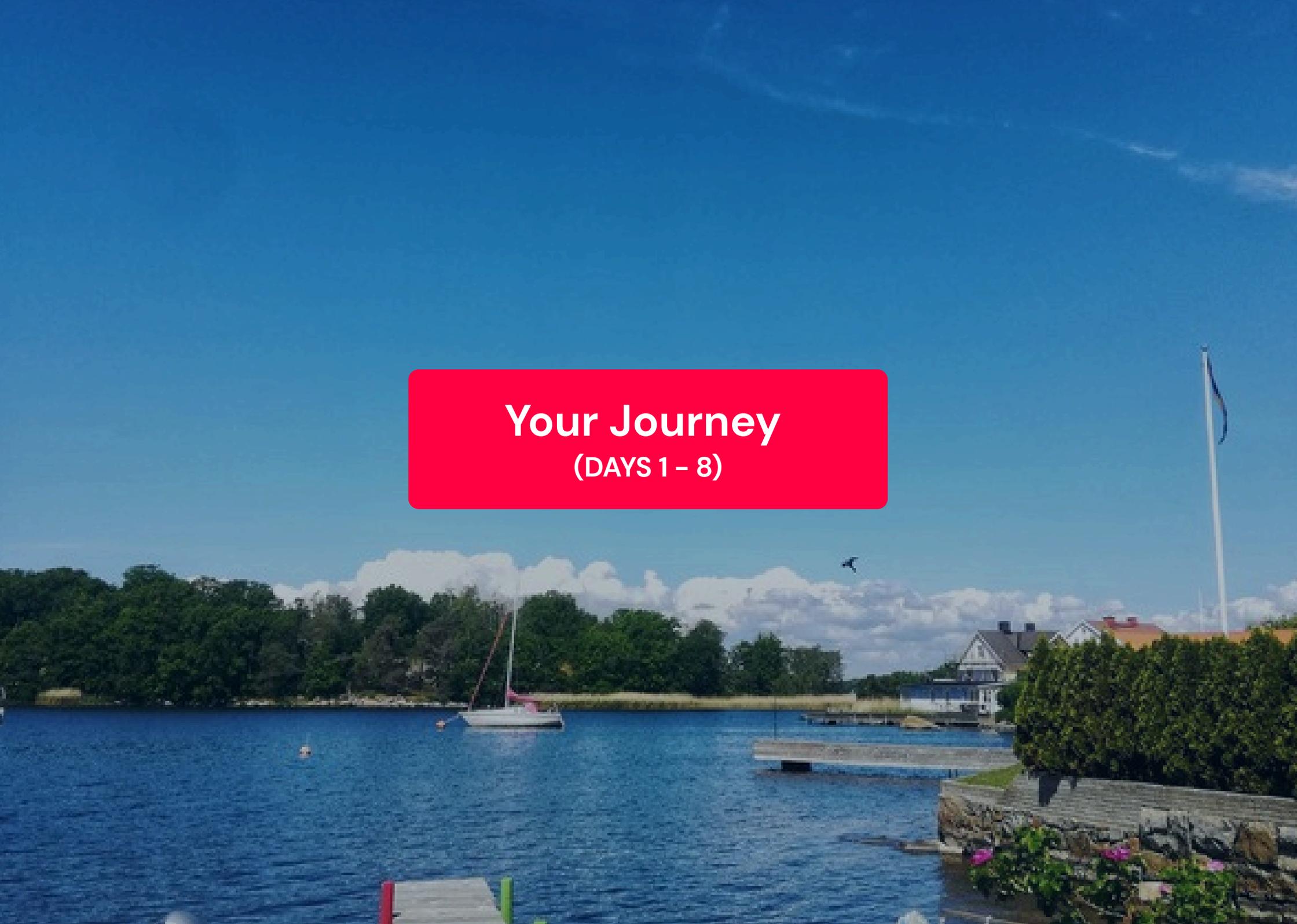
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Explore Sweden's historic heartlands and coastal beauty at your own pace.

You will:

- A flexible self-drive adventure through southern Sweden
- Royal castles, medieval abbeys, and Viking heritage sites
- Scenic countryside and lakeside landscapes
- Sweden's west coast charm in Gothenburg and Helsingborg
- UNESCO-listed naval heritage in Karlskrona
- Coastal roads and Baltic Sea views
- Comfortable city stays throughout



A scenic view of a lake with a sailboat, a house, and a flagpole under a blue sky. The text "Your Journey (DAYS 1 - 8)" is overlaid on a red rounded rectangle in the center of the image.

# Your Journey

(DAYS 1 - 8)



## DAY 1 – STOCKHOLM

Arrive in Sweden's elegant capital, spread across islands and waterways, and begin your summer self-drive adventure through historic heartlands and coastal landscapes

- Arrival at Stockholm Airport
- Pick up your rental car
- Drive to your centrally located hotel
- Evening at leisure



## DAY 2 – KARLSTAD

Drive west through Sweden's lake district, passing royal estates, cathedral towns, and countryside landscapes on your way toward Värmland

- Scenic drive to Karlstad (approximately 4 hours)
- Optional stops include castles, medieval towns, and cathedral cities en route
- Check in to your hotel in Karlstad
- Evening at leisure

## DAY 3 – GOTHENBURG

Continue south through fertile plains and cultural landmarks, where manor houses, abbeys, and Viking heritage sites dot the landscape

- Drive to Gothenburg (approximately 3 hours 30 minutes)
- Opportunities to visit castles, Viking sites, and historic churches
- Check in to your hotel
- Evening at leisure in Gothenburg



## DAY 4 – HELSINGBORG

Follow Sweden's scenic west coast toward Skåne, where seaside fortresses and elegant summer residences overlook the Kattegat

- Drive south to Helsingborg (approximately 2 hours 30 minutes)
- Coastal fortresses, manor houses, and seaside towns along the way
- Check in to your hotel
- Evening at leisure





## DAY 5 – KARLSKRONA

Journey through southern Sweden's historic countryside, discovering medieval strongholds, ancient stone monuments, and Baltic coastal views

- Drive to Karlskrona (approximately 3 hours)
- Explore medieval castles, stone monuments, and national park landscapes en route
- Check in to your hotel
- Evening at leisure



## DAY 6 – VÄSTERVIK

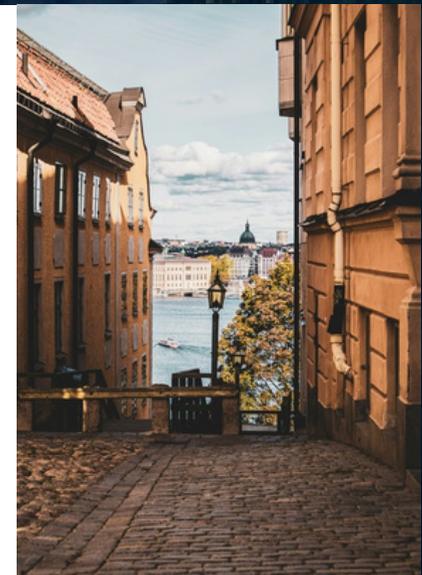
Travel along Sweden's Baltic coastline, where Renaissance castles, island forts, and forested shores create a constantly changing backdrop

- Drive to Västervik (approximately 3 hours)
- Highlights include Kalmar Castle and coastal heritage sites
- Check in to your hotel
- Evening at leisure

## DAY 7 – STOCKHOLM

Return to the capital via cathedral cities and royal landmarks, completing your circular journey through Sweden's cultural and coastal highlights

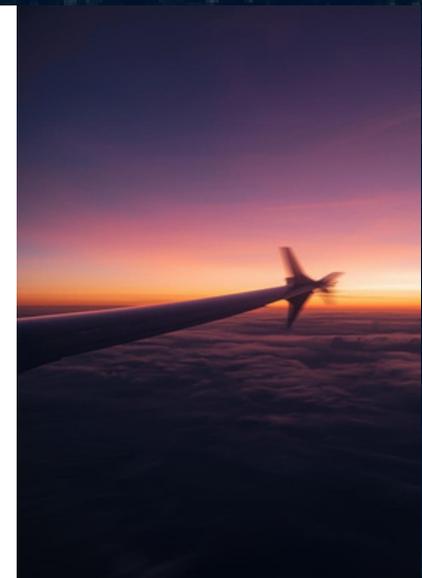
- Drive back to Stockholm (approximately 3 hours 30 minutes)
- Optional visits to cathedral cities and royal residences
- Check in to your hotel
- Final evening at leisure



## DAY 8 – DEPARTURE

Conclude your Swedish summer road trip, departing with memories of castles, coastline, and countryside roads

- Drive to Stockholm Airport
- Return your rental car
- Departure home



# What is Included

- **7 nights accommodation** in centrally located 4-star hotels
- **Daily breakfast**
- **7-day car rental** (automatic sedan)
- **Airport** service charge
- **Collision damage** waiver
- **Theft protection**
- **Vehicle licence fee** and VAT
- **Unlimited** mileage



# Good to *Know* Before You Go

- Driving is on the right-hand side in Sweden
- Speed limits are strictly enforced
- Summer daylight hours are long, especially in June and July
- Advance booking is recommended during peak summer months

## Is This Trip *Right* for You?

- Prefer flexible travel at your own pace
- Enjoy combining culture, castles, and coastal scenery
- Appreciate scenic countryside drives
- Want to explore southern Sweden beyond the capital

# General *Information*

## Best Time to Travel

- This itinerary is ideal between May and September, when long daylight hours and mild temperatures make road travel and sightseeing especially enjoyable.

## Accommodation Style

- Stay in centrally located hotels throughout Sweden, selected for comfort and convenient access to each city's highlights.

## Pace & Physical Level

- This is a relaxed self-drive itinerary with moderate daily driving times. Walking distances depend on chosen sightseeing stops

# What is *Not Included*

- Flights, unless otherwise stated
- Airport taxes, city taxes, and local tourism fees payable on-site
- Optional activities and upgrades not listed as included
- Personal expenses such as meals, drinks, and souvenirs not mentioned in the itinerary
- Travel insurance and personal insurance
- Tips and gratuities, unless explicitly stated