

# weekend à la carte

## WHAT TO DO IN STOCKHOLM

Stockholm is certainly one of the most picturesque capital cities in Europe and one which lends itself to a short break. Many of our clients make a break in Stockholm on the way up to Swedish Lapland and depending on the time you have available you can certainly squeeze in a bit of sightseeing.

If you are in Stockholm for less than 24 hours then its best to pay for a museum at the door but for those doing 2 nights then a Stockholm card could represent good value if you want to try and fit in as much as possible.

For more information on the Stockholm card:

<http://www.visitstockholm.com/en/Information/Buy--Order/The-Stockholm-card/>

From our experience and feedback the following attractions are the most unique and popular

- The VASA Museum - amazing 400 year old boat found in Stockholm harbour
- Fotografiska – one of the worlds best contemporary photography museums
- The Nobel Museum – based on the annual prizes that take place each year in Stockholm
- The Millennium Tour - based on the phenomena that is Stieg Larsson

## The Vasa Museum

<http://www.vasamuseet.se/en/>

The Vasa is the only preserved seventeenth-century ship in the world, and a unique art treasure. More than 95 percent of the ship is original, and it is decorated with hundreds of carved sculptures.

The 69 meter-long warship Vasa sank on its maiden voyage in the middle of Stockholm in 1628, and was salvaged 333 years later in 1961. For nearly half a century the ship has been slowly, deliberately and painstakingly restored to a state approaching its original glory. The three masts on the roof outside the specially built museum show the height of the ship's original masts.



Today the Vasa Museum is the most visited museum in Scandinavia, with over one million visitors a year. There are nine different exhibitions around the ship to tell about life on board the ship. The film about the Vasa is shown in 16 different languages. In addition there is a well-stocked shop and a pleasant restaurant. Tours of the museum take place every day.

### Opening Hours

The Museum

Daily 10:00 am – 5.00 pm

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## Fotografiska

<http://en.fotografiska.eu/>

Fotografiska, which opened in Stockholm in May 2010, is one of the world's largest meeting places for contemporary photography. Fotografiska presents four unique major exhibitions and about 20 smaller exhibitions annually. In addition to the large exhibition space, Fotografiska houses a book and souvenir shop, a restaurant and a photo gallery. In the bar on the top floor you will find one of Stockholm's very best vantage points.

### Opening Hours

The Museum

Daily 10:00 am - 9:00 pm



## The Nobel Museum

<http://www.nobelmuseum.se/zino.aspx?articleID=14872>

Right in the middle of the Old Town, you can learn about the Nobel Prize, Alfred Nobel, and the Nobel Laureates and their visions. Guided tours, interesting films, and diverse objects take you on a journey from idea to the Nobel Banquet.

Kafé Satir serves Swedish specialties and Nobel ice cream. The museum shop has something for everyone. Visit the Nobel Museum and be inspired by ideas that changed the world.

### Opening hours

#### Opening Hours Winter

September 20 2010 – May 14 2010

Tuesdays 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesdays through Sundays 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mondays closed.

#### Guided Tours

The Nobel Museum offers guided tours in English every day. Museum Tours daily at 11:15 a.m and 3 p.m.. There is no extra fee for guided tours.



## STEIG LARSSON MILLENIUM TRILOGY TOURS

### The Millennium Phenomena

Over 47 million people have read author Stieg Larsson's three Millennium books (or the Girl with the Dragon Tattoo series) about journalist Mikael Blomkvist and computer hacker Lisbeth Salander, which have become bestsellers around the world.

The following films and TV series are now being shown internationally. The main characters live and work on the central island of Södermalm in Stockholm and there is a great interest in experiencing the atmosphere on location.

### Millennium Tour



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Follow along in Mikael Blomkvist and Lisbeth Salander's footsteps while getting additional background information about the characters and the author. The walk starts at Bellmangatan 1, where Mikael Blomkvist lives, then passes the Millennium editorial office, Lisbeth Salander's luxury apartment and many other locations mentioned in the books and films.

On the way you will also learn more about historical and contemporary Stockholm and its inhabitants.

## **TOURS IN ENGLISH DURING WINTER AND SPRING 2011:**

Saturdays at 11.30

**Duration:** Approximately 2 hours.

A visit to the State museum can be combined with one of these tours. For further information

<http://www.stadsmuseum.stockholm.se/museet.php?artikel=109&sprak=english>

## **DINING IN STOCKHOLM**

Eating out in Stockholm is not in expensive – for a good 3 course dinner in a top restaurant expect to pay between £100 - £125 per person including wine.

Here are our favourites that hopefully meet most individual requirements in terms of style for that special occasion -all of which can be booked on line directly with the restaurant - recommended as they are always very busy!

Mathias Dahlgren in the Grand Hotel is the most highly rated - Michelin star Nouvelle cuisine style



<http://www.mathiasdahlgren.com/>

Gondolen has the best views of the old town at night

<http://www.eriks.se/start.asp?lang=2>



Den Gyldene Freden - charming restaurant / bistro in the old town

[http://www.gyldenefreden.se/dgf\\_eng/index.html](http://www.gyldenefreden.se/dgf_eng/index.html)



Prinsen - stylish modern restaurant

<http://www.restaurangprinsen.com/eng/>

