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TOP SIGHTS • LOCAL LIFE • MADE EASY



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In This Book

QuickStart Guide

Your keys to understanding the city – we help you decide what to do and how to do it



Need to Know

Tips for a smooth trip



Neighbourhoods

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Explore Stockholm

The best things to see and do, neighbourhood by neighbourhood



Top Sights

Make the most of your visit



Local Life

The insider's city

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The city's highlights in handy lists to help you plan



Best Walks

See the city on foot



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Tips and tricks for a seamless, hassle-free city experience



Getting Around

Travel like a local



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Including where to stay

Our selection of the city's best places to eat, drink and experience:

 **Sights**

 **Eating**

 **Drinking**

 **Entertainment**

 **Shopping**

These symbols give you the vital information for each listing:

 Telephone Numbers

 Opening Hours

 Parking

 Nonsmoking

 Internet Access

 Wi-Fi Access

 Vegetarian Selection

 English-Language Menu

 Family-Friendly

 Pet-Friendly

 Bus

 Ferry

 Metro

 Subway

 Tram

 Train

Find each listing quickly on maps for each neighbourhood:



Bar Hemingway

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Legend has it that Hemingway, wielding a machine gun, created this timber-paneled bar during his Paris showpiece is a favorite hangout for Papa Hemingway in town. Dress code: smart casual. Website: hemingwaybar.com; Hôtel Ritz Paris; 6.30pm-2am

Lonely Planet's Stockholm

Lonely Planet Pocket Guides are designed to get you straight to the heart of the city.

Inside you'll find all the must-see sights, plus tips to make your visit to each one really memorable. We've split the city into easy-to-navigate neighbourhoods and provided clear maps so you'll find your way around with ease. Our expert authors have searched out the best of the city: walks, food, nightlife and shopping, to name a few. Because you want to explore, our 'Local Life' pages will take you to some of the most exciting areas to experience the real Stockholm.

And of course you'll find all the practical tips you need for a smooth trip: itineraries for short visits, how to get around, and how much to tip the guy who serves you a drink at the end of a long day's exploration.

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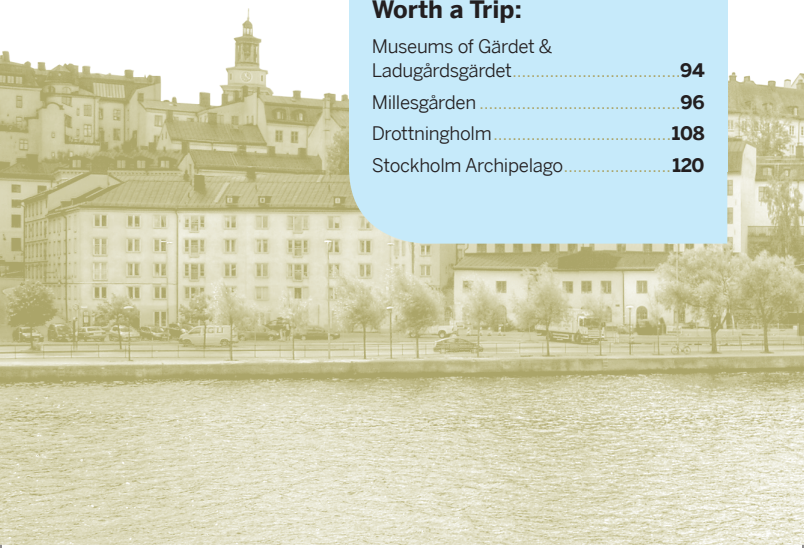
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Welcome to Stockholm

Sweden's stylish capital is an accessible beauty, easy to navigate and gorgeous from all angles. Its old town, Gamla Stan, is a saffron-and-spice vision from the history books, while the modern city centre rewards cool-hunters and food fanatics alike. Outside of town, royal palaces loom over lakes, and tiny red cottages decorate windswept islands.



Stockholm Top Sights

Skansen (p52)

Known as 'Sweden in miniature', Skansen is an open-air museum and park that serves as Stockholm's communal playground. It's home to a Nordic zoo, historic buildings, a glassblowers' hut, live-music performances and lots more.





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Vasamuseet (p56)

This wildly popular museum was purpose-built to tell the story of the short maiden voyage and long restoration of the massive warship *Vasa*, which sank to the bottom of the sea within minutes of setting sail.



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Kungliga Slottet (p24)

Stockholm's imposing royal palace – the world's largest still used for its original purpose – houses some beautiful examples of Swedish baroque and rococo interiors. Guided tours make Swedish history entertaining.



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Stockholm Archipelago (p120)

A scenic boat ride among the thousands of rocky islands in the Stockholm archipelago is one of the loveliest ways to relax on a summer day. Have some extra time? Kick it up a notch and stay overnight!

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Drottningholm (p108)

The excellent guided tours of the Renaissance-inspired summer palace bring generations of Swedish royals vividly to life, and the parklike setting couldn't be prettier. In summer, go by boat to get the full impact of the place.



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Millesgården (p96)

The former home and studio of beloved sculptor Carl Milles is a work of art in its own right, with its elaborate Italianate house, modern gallery and beautiful outdoor sculpture garden.



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Historiska Museet (p84)

An utterly engrossing place, this museum spans 10,000 years of Swedish history, using artifacts and multimedia installations to re-create the Viking era, show off pillaged treasure and illustrate medieval battles.



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Moderna Museet (p58)

With its world-class collection housed in a fabulous building, Moderna is a must-see for art fans. It also has a stellar bookshop, an acclaimed restaurant and consistently well-executed temporary exhibits.



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Fotografiska (p70)

An impressive and stylish hall of photography, Fotografiska never fails to present thorough, high-calibre exhibitions, usually several at a time. The location is cool, and there's a top-notch cafe-bar.



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Stadshuset (p100)

This imposing building defines the Stockholm skyline, with its blocky silhouette and waterside perch. Inside is the glittering Golden Hall, frescoes by Prins Eugen and the inspiring Nobel Prize banquet room.



Stockholm Local Life

Insider tips to help you find the real city

Once you've checked off the must-see sights on your list, it's time to find out what Stockholm is like for locals. Be warned: there will be shopping.

Norrmalm Shopping (p38)

- ▶ High-fashion boutiques
- ▶ Beautiful architecture

Whether you're after traditional handmade Swedish crafts, fine crystal, outdoors equipment or the most exclusive high-fashion brands, you'll find it in Norrmalm's glittering shops.

Escaping to Djurgården (p60)

- ▶ Quiet paths
- ▶ Green spaces

Though it's only a short stroll across a bridge from the heart of the city, Djurgården feels like a quiet, green oasis. The parklike island is mostly undeveloped woodlands, laced with fields and trails

where fitness-savvy locals go to run or just relax.

Södermalm Bar-Hopping (p72)

- ▶ Bars full of character
- ▶ Characters in the bars

Hard to beat for atmosphere and people-watching alike, Södermalm is known as the arty-funky neighbourhood for good reason. Ranging from ultra-chic cocktail bars to antique Swedish beer halls to basement dives, the bars and pubs here reward intrepid exploration.

Opulent Östermalm (p86)

- ▶ Culinary delights
- ▶ Elegant buildings and boulevards

Live large in this up-market yet non-stodgy neighbourhood: do some window-shopping, splash out on a decadent meal or a fancy cocktail, pick up some designer fashion, or just wander down a street lined with gorgeous old buildings and feel like a million bucks.

Museums of Gärdet & Ladugårdsgärdet (p94)

- ▶ Excellent museums
- ▶ Parklike setting

Some of the best museums in Stockholm, especially for families, are located in this beautiful, tree-lined neighbourhood, where you can also find stunning city views.