



# ROAD TO SWEDEN





**SWEDEN**

Make your way through some of Sweden's most beautiful and exciting cities in this three day tour of the country.

The Viking lore, the Northern Lights and frozen tundra are just some of the things Sweden's known for, yet there is so much more to see. Soak in the unique atmosphere of Stockholm, the sights of Gothenburg and the marvels of Malmo on DriveNow's Sweden itinerary.





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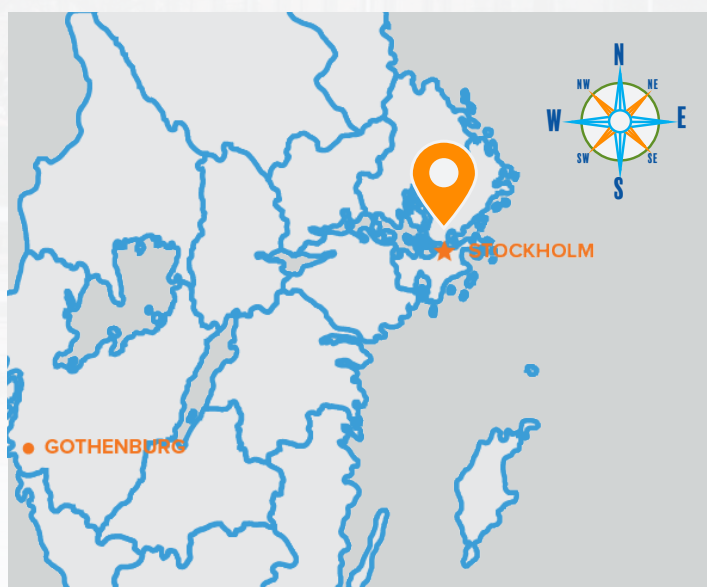


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# STOCKHOLM

It would be a tremendous understatement to say Stockholm is a unique city. Spread across 14 islands, the capital is a place often described as “beauty on water” and packs a whole lot of history and culture into a relatively small footprint.

Step foot into the most visited museum in Scandinavia, the Vasa museum. The Vasa - the 69-metre warship that gives the museum its name - sank in the middle of Stockholm on its first ever outing in 1628. It was rescued from the water, a half-devilish 333 years later, and has been steadily rebuilt over the near half-century that followed. Today it sits in the museum, and takes the title of the world’s only preserved 17th century ship. Finding a building that can house an entire ship is no easy feat!





Walk into the past at Gamla Stan - the Old Town. One of Stockholm's must-see attractions, this well preserved medieval city centre is also one of Europe's best. Wander the cobblestone streets as you discover churches, handmade-gift shops, and other curious corners that time's almost forgot. An unmissable part (not only because of its interest but its physical size too) is the Royal Palace, one of the world's largest, boasting an impressive 600 rooms.

Pop music lovers will get lost in the magic of the ABBA Museum. Over their impressive careers, the group penned and performed a number of smash hits like "Mamma Mia", "Dancing Queen", "Knowing Me, Knowing You" and "The Name of the Game". Visiting the ABBA Museum will immerse you in all aspects of their storied career, from the instruments they used to their funky 70s outfits. Yet it's not just surface-level stuff here - the museum has also curated an impressive collection of notes, letters, and photographs, things that can get you behind the group's star-studded mask.

Catch the ferry and make your way over to Djurgarden, a small island filled with woodland and serene waterside trails. It's also home to the Skansen, an open-air museum with historical buildings to explore and Nordic animals to meet and greet. The island is also where you can find the aforementioned Vasa and ABBA museums.



**VISIT GAMLA STAN, ONE OF STOCKHOLM'S MUST-SEE ATTRACTION. THIS WELL PRESERVED MEDIEVAL CITY CENTRE IS ALSO ONE OF EUROPE'S BEST.**







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## **GOTHENBURG** (469 KM FROM STOCKHOLM, 5 HOURS)

Make your way south-west out of the city on Route 75 and then follow the E4 to Jonkoping. This is quite a trip, so you may decide it's better to split the journey over two days - Jonkoping is only around three hours 20 minutes from Stockholm, making it a handy spot to stay for a night should you choose. Otherwise, carry on onto Route 40 into Gothenburg. Keep in mind, too, that parts of the suggested routes in this itinerary have tolls, so make sure you're prepared.

Gothenburg - Sweden's second largest city - is sometimes forgotten in the larger shadow of Stockholm, but it's a mistake you don't (and won't) want to make.







A walkable city, Gothenburg's streets are filled with interesting people, rattling trams and golden sun, and the canals that weave through the city serve as an alternative route of transport.

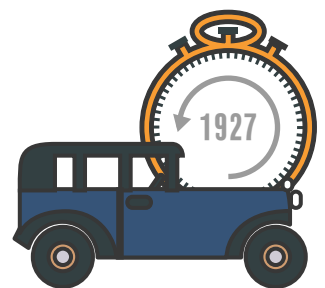
As such, one of the best ways to experience Gothenburg is to explore its many waterways via canoe or kayak. There are endless operators throughout the city that can offer you a variety of watercraft to navigate with. Not only is it a great way to traverse canals in the city itself, it's also fantastic for visiting the archipelago of islands just off the city's coast.

The car company Volvo was founded in the city of Gothenburg in 1927. Since then they've gone on to produce cars treasured by people around the world. You can walk through a history of the company and their productions over the years, including cars, buses, heavy trucks and more. The place is interesting even if you're not a petrol head, as you'll have a chance to learn about one of Sweden's most successful international companies.

Slottsskogen is Gothenburg's main park and an excellent place to relax and go for a calm and peaceful walk. Paths worm their way throughout, so there's always a novel route to take throughout the greenery (or the golden orange leaves in autumn). There's also a zoo in the park, with the chance to see a number of animals such as Gotland ponies and Gute sheep.



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## **MALMO** (273 KM FROM GOTHENBURG, 3 HOURS)

Leave Gothenburg to the south and make your way onto the E20 - just follow this road and you'll be in Malmö in no time.

It's a stroke of chance that this journey involves a progression through Sweden's cities, from the largest to the third largest, Malmö. The final city on this journey is a place where the past and the present collide, a city at the forefront of technology and engineering (it's the home of the tallest building in Scandinavia) while also preserving a great deal of its magnificent history.

Take a stroll around Little Square, a cobblestone plaza that dates back to 1592. There you'll find a number of historic buildings, as well as cafes and shops galore - there's even an open air market.







To get a taste of history, there's no better place in Malmö than visiting St Peter's Church. It's the oldest building in the city, with construction beginning sometime in the 1300s. Red brick material gives the church an earthy feel and the 105-metre high tower speaks volumes about the engineering skill that it would have required at the time. The church is of Gothic design, but features many round lines, making it stand out among the more angular examples usually found in buildings of this style.

While St Peter's Church is a marvel from the past, the Oresund Bridge is one from the present. At 16 kilometres in length, the bridge provides a vital link between Sweden and Denmark. Perhaps most impressive is the view of the bridge from the Swedish side. It appears as though the entire thing disappears into nothingness when in fact it's going down into a tunnel under the water.

Finish off your day with a relaxing trip to Folkets Park. It's the oldest amusement park in the country, having been first opened in 1893. There are an enormous number of rides and attractions to see - carousels, a large playground, terrarium, mini golf and more.

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## CONCLUSION

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