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Experience Västerås in the summer

Welcome to Västerås!

There are so many activities and opportunities to create holiday memories for the entire family in Västerås. Here is a list of things to see and do in and around the city, so choose your favourites and make your own Västerås bucket list. You'll find even more inspiration and events on [visitvasteras.se](https://www.visitvasteras.se)

Kungsbyn Animal Park

Kungsbyn 33

Have a fun and educational day out with your kids at Kungsbyn Animal Park, where you can see everything from lemurs and camels to bird spiders and reticulated pythons. There is also a bistro where you can recharge your batteries and enjoy light refreshments or lunch before going back out into the park or to the indoor enclosure. The animal park is at Ängsö, close to the castle, a golf course, walking trails and beaches. If you'd like to spend the night, accommodation is available close by.



Visit a castle

Engsö Castle

Engsö Castle on Ängsö

A beautiful castle set in scenic countryside. As well as being able to enjoy coffee and cake at the café here, you might even see a ghost. Rumour has it that the castle is haunted ...

Strömsholms Palace

Slottsvägen 32, Strömsholm

A royal baroque place with 18th century Gustavian interiors and a significant collection of Swedish paintings. While you're here, enjoy a walk around the beautiful grounds.

Tidö Castle

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Tidö Castle is probably Sweden's best preserved and most vibrant castle from the glorious period when Sweden was a great power. During the spring, the MC collection of motorcycles here will be joined by an exhibition on the history of bikes.

Action in Västerås

If you're looking for an adrenaline kick, then you won't be spoiled for choice, with everything from high altitude tracks and the action water park to rib boat rides, flyboarding and stand up paddle boarding.



Västerås' restaurants and cafés

There are many restaurants and cafés in Västerås and a number of them are recommended in Sweden's White Guide. Look at the full list of places to eat on [visitvasteras.se](https://www.visitvasteras.se) – there's something for everyone!



Experience more on a bike

Enjoy some exercise and the beautiful countryside by cycling to Gäddeholm, where a beach and a café await you. Or perhaps even try out one of the tough mountain bike trails in the woods at Rocklunda. Mountain biking is becoming increasingly popular and, whether you're a beginner or an experienced cyclist, you're sure to find the perfect trail for you. Or why not even take a weekend course in mountain biking? Equipment hire is available.

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Hiking

There is an abundance of hiking paths in and around Västerås. Two of these are Ängsö and Björnö but you can find many more on naturkartan.se. Another tip is Bruksleden, which goes all the way from Västerås to Avesta, but, if you don't want to walk the whole way, you can choose the section that suits you best.



Running events

As running becomes more and more popular, the list of running events gets longer and longer. In Västerås there is everything from the classic Våruset and Blodomloppet to tougher sprint challenges like the Black River Run.

- 1 June Västerås Power Trail
- 6-13 June VFK Virtual Run (instead of Mälarenergi Stadslopp)
- 13 June Color Obstacle Run
- 24 August Blodomloppet
- 12 September Ängsö Trail Run
- 19 – 20 September Black River Run

Did you know that ...

... Strömsholm Canal is celebrating its 225th anniversary this year. The canal runs from Borgåsund to Smedjebacken and follows the river Kolbäckån. It is 110 km long and has 25 locks.

Guided tours

Västerås offers guided tours as well as dramatized walks such as Mylingar, mord och misär (Mylings, murder and mystery) in Kyrkbacken. Västerås Cathedral has guided tours and during the summer there are many more tours to choose from, including the ones at Anundshög, where you can also download an audio guide of the area at any time.



The city with 8 golf courses

Eight golf courses and wide selection of hotels and restaurants make Västerås the perfect destination for everyone that wants to combine a game of golf with great food and comfortable accommodation. One of these courses is just a couple of drives away from the city centre and another is Frösäker, which is ranked as one of the best in Sweden. Forest, parkland or challenging holes on the shores of Lake Mälaren? The choice is yours!



Activities for rainy days

Yoump

Hällagatan 4

Visit Sweden's first Yoump! With wall-to-wall trampolines, the laws of gravity don't exist here.

Prison Island

Kopparbergsvägen 13

Work together in teams to solve fun and tricky challenges in cells in order to get as many points as possible. Perfect for people of all ages.

VR Club Västerås

Vasagatan 20 kommer ny adress.

Look at the world through different eyes, trick your brain into sensations like vertigo or go diving, go up into space or have a go at mountain climbing – AT VR Club Västerås, the choice is yours.



The Steam Hotel

– favourite among influencers

Ångkraftsvägen 14

If it's possible to fall in love with a hotel, then I think I've fallen in love with The Steam Hotel" are the words of one of the guests. And it says it all. The Steam Hotel isn't just a hotel, it's a must-visit destination.

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TIPS!

For more information and tips on events and activities that are taking place in Västerås, have a look at visitvasteras.se

7 main tourist attractions in Västerås

Anundshög

Anundshög 5

Sweden's largest ancient burial mound complete with rune stones and stone ships. Take a guided tour with the help of multi-language audio guides and enjoy coffee and homemade cakes in a historic setting at Café Anund.

Karlskatan 2

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Karlskatan 2 is a meeting point for art and cultural heritage. It's one building and two museums: Västerås Art Museum and Västmanland's County Museum, and a place where you can see exciting, modern exhibitions and learn about the history of Västmanland in a wonderful interactive environment.

Slakteriet Food Hall

Slakterigatan 6-10

A fantastic and inspirational meeting place for foodies of all ages. High quality, delicious and organic are the key words at this indoor food hall.

Kokpunkten Action Water Park

Kraftverksgatan 11

Kokpunkten, located in the same building as The Steam Hotel, is Sweden's first action water park and offers a unique experience with its eight floors of attractions and water slides. During the summer you can visit Glassverket ice cream bar outside the main entrance and you can rent the electric boats that are moored up at the jetty.



Skultuna Messingsbruk

Bruksgatan 8, Skultuna

These brassworks might well be over 400 years old, but they are still modern. Time and time again they prove that they are a company to be reckoned with and their products are mentioned in blogs and seen on TV. And it is rumoured that they serve Västmanland's best prawn sandwiches.

Vallby Open-Air Museum

Skerikesvägen 2

One of Sweden's largest open-air museums and a vibrant place to visit, particularly during the summer. Stroll around the area and take a look at all the houses and visit the craftsmen's studios. Have a drink and a bite to eat at the restaurant Systrarna på Gaggeska Gården and admire the native animals.

Västerås Cathedral

Västra Kyrkogatan 6

Dates back to the 13th century and boasts stars in Guide Michelin. And while you're here, don't miss a visit to the neighbouring Kyrkbacken – a charming neighbourhood, full of old houses and winding alleys.

3 favourite places for ice cream

Västerås Gästhamn

Lögarängsvägen

Enjoy an ice cream while watching others use the cable park. And why not have a go yourself?

Fiskarfruns Café

Ängsö Skurusund 2

A great place to visit for refreshing ice cream and tasty cakes from the café and fish from the smokehouse

Frösåkers Brygga – Västerås' historical ship museum

Frösåkers Brygga 7

Stroll around and look at all the boats moored up at the jetty before enjoying some magically delicious ice cream.

3 places to take a dip

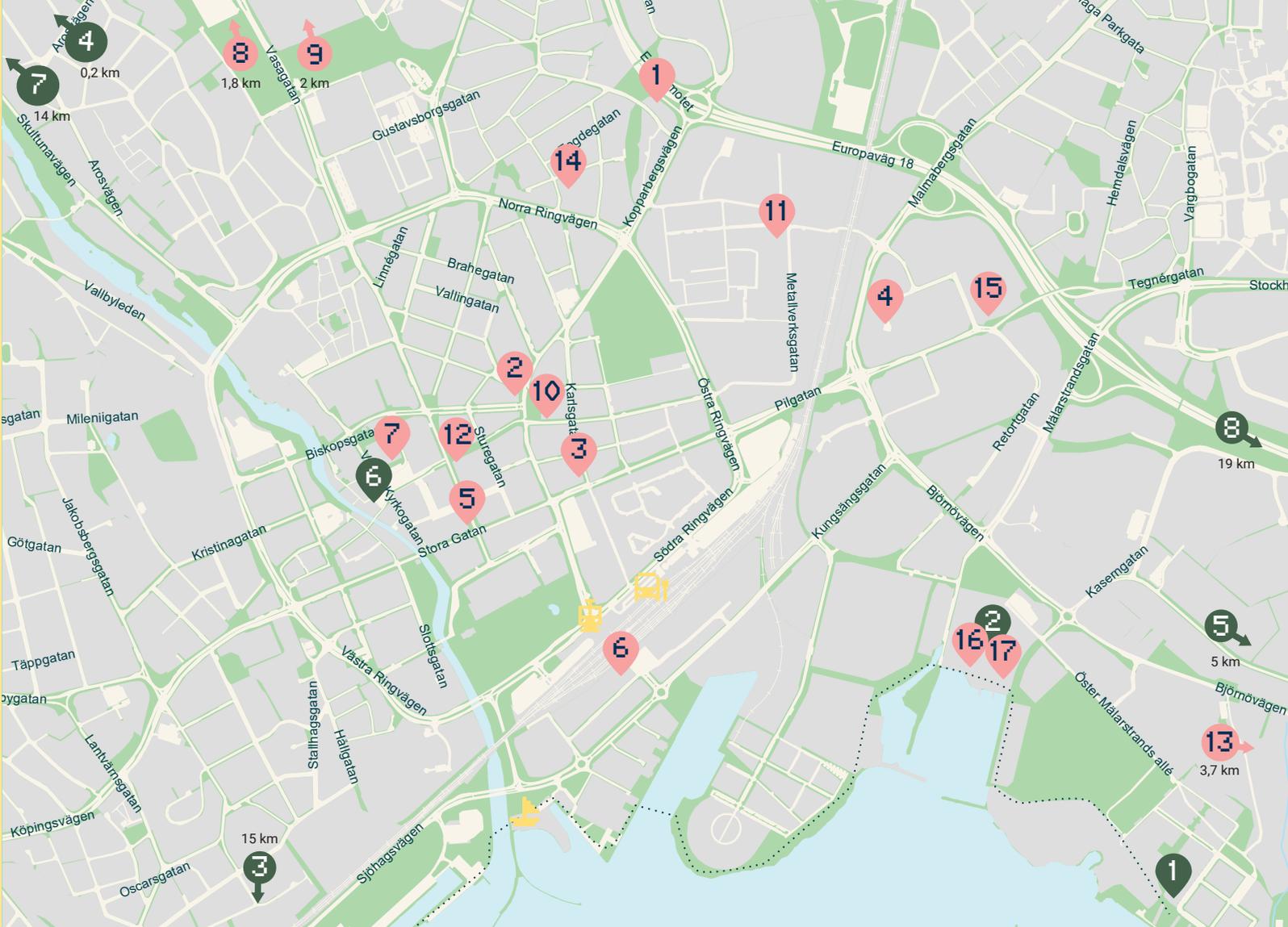
Lögastrand Beach – a centrally located beach with sand, grass and wonderful jetties, perfect for people of all ages.

Östra Holmen – an island-paradise for kids that you get to on Elba Ferry.

Björnö – an island with both sandy and rocky beaches.

Take a tour on Elba Ferry

Elba Ferry can take you to islands, a campsite and the popular Öster Mälärstrand. It departs from the harbour Färjekajen but you can also hop on or off at Östra Holmen, Elba, Brygga Öster Mälärstrand or Brygga Väster at First Camp.



Hotels in Västerås ●

1. Abrins Hotell
2. Best Western Hotel Esplanade
3. Best Western Plus Hotel Plaza
4. Best Western Ta Inn Hotell
5. Clarion Collection Hotel Etage
6. Comfort Hotel
7. Elite Stadshotellet
8. Good Morning Västerås
9. Hem till gården
10. Hotell Arkad
11. Hotell Valsaren
12. Hotell Västerås
13. Hässlö Hotell
14. Room Apartment Hotel
15. Scandic Västerås
16. The Steam Hotel
17. Turbine hotel

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1. Butik 103 Kvadrat
2. Kokpunkten Actionbad
3. First Camp Västerås
4. Systrarna på Gaggeska gården
5. Aktivt Uteliv Björnögården
6. Second Step
7. Erikslund Shopping Center
8. Ängsö Fisk, Fiskarfruns Café

Summer must-dos in Västerås

- Rent a segway in Västerås guest harbor
- Go on the Mälarpromenaden Walk, marked on the map
- Admire the view of Västerås from Djäkneberget
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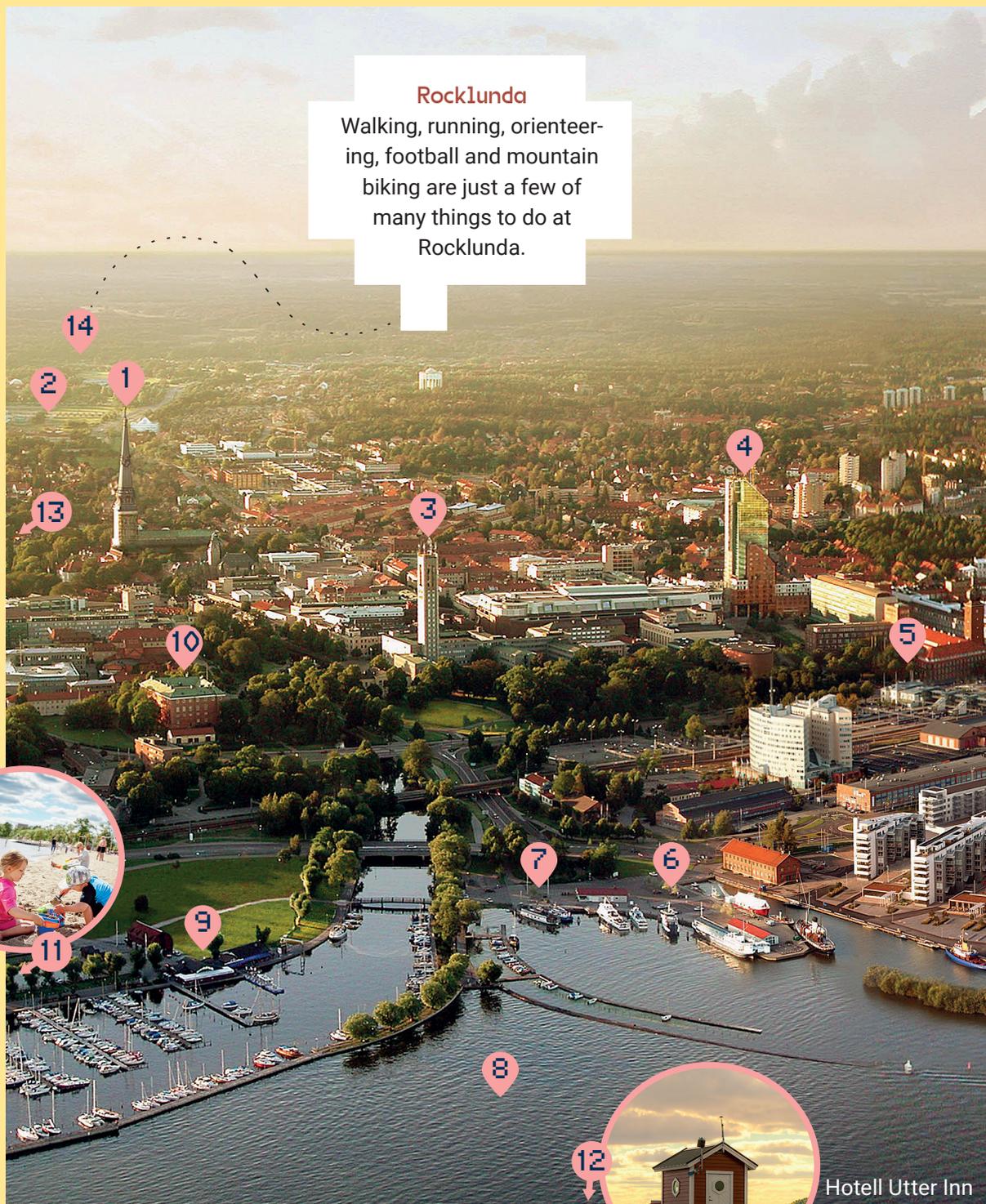
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Rocklunda
Walking, running, orienteering, football and mountain biking are just a few of many things to do at Rocklunda.

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| 1. Västerås Cathedral | 10. Västerås Castle |
| 2. Vallby Open-Air Museum | 11. Lögstrand Beach |
| 3. City Hall | 12. Hotell Utter Inn |
| 4. Skrapan skyscraper | 13. Djäkneberget |
| 5. Mälarpromenaden | 14. Rocklunda |
| 6. Central Station | |
| 7. Färjekajen Harbour | |
| 8. Lake Mälaren | |
| 9. Guest Harbour and Camper Van Site | |

