



Mariehamn - Åland

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6 500 islands in the middle of the Baltic Sea. A unique destination, an island string of pearls stretching between the big cities, an archipelago between Stockholm and Turku, within easy reach from Helsinki and Tallinn. On the Åland Islands, the sea is never far away. They boast 17,000 km of shoreline, a pleasant maritime climate and the highest number of sunshine hours in Scandinavia. Experience the charm of this island country, the red granite cliffs, nature and tranquility.



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THE ISLANDS



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Åland's strategic position in the Baltic Sea has always attracted great powers. This has contributed to these islands' exciting and eventful history, and has led to Åland's demilitarisation and special political status.

Today, the Åland Islands are referred to as the Islands of Peace. Their residents enjoy a peaceful lifestyle and invite visitors to partake in the wonderful experiences and opportunities offered by the archipelago. Maritime Mariehamn is Åland's capital and the only town on the islands. Here you will find most of the restaurants, pavement cafes, shops and museums - Mariehamn is certainly worth visiting. Stroll down the lime tree lined streets running through the town from the eastern to the western harbours. Handicrafts of all kinds are on sale, and kites fly above the waves of the Slemmern Bay next to the town centre.

DO & SEE



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There is a surprising variety of visitor pursuits in Åland, both on land and water. Water sports, such as kayaking, kite surfing and paddleboarding, are rather popular, and so are leisurely boat trips. For those interested in diving, Åland is a treasure trove of exciting diving sites containing the remains of eerie sunken ships. There are a few museums, too, and most attractions are designed to accommodate families with children.

Boat trips



The best way to enjoy Åland is by boat. You can either take a ride on a ferry or go on an unforgettable excursion during your stay here.

Apart from simply enjoying the unspoiled nature, you might also catch a glance of a curious seal. There are various types of boats for rent. Would you prefer a leisurely trip in a beautiful sailboat, or would you rather have more speed and spray on board a rigid inflatable boat? If you would like to get really close to the unique archipelago we recommend a kayak trip. You may choose between package tours or your own custom-designed excursion.

Boat- and canoe rental:

Ro-No Rent

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Address: Havsgatan, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 18 12821
Internet: www.rono.ax/en
Email: rono@aland.net

Kayaking



The Åland archipelago offers an infinite number of kayaking opportunities. Regardless of whether you are a beginner or veteran kayaker, there are suitable routes for you. The archipelago creates excellent conditions, whether you prefer the tranquil bays or rugged skerries near the open sea. Do you want to come close to nature and animal life and spend time on your own in peace and quiet?

Or, perhaps, you prefer kayaking in a group with a guide along a designated itinerary? Some of the most popular places to visit are Kobbaklantar and Kastelholm, as well as the Märket lighthouse for very experienced kayakers.

Nimix Kayakrentals:

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Address: Västanholmen 14, Eckerö
Phone: +358 5066 716
Internet: www.nimix.ax
Email: nimix@aland.net

Paddleboarding



The Paddle Shack is an activity centre in Mariehamn. They have offered a varying range of sporting activities through the years, lately narrowing the scope of their services to

paddleboard and kayak rentals, and offering kayaking courses. Their skilled instructors also organise a climbing school for groups.

Photo: NicoElNino/Shutterstock.com
Address: Lervik, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 457 34 33933
Internet: www.paddelboden.com
Email: info@sgu.nu

Wreck Diving



Åland offers world class wreck diving. More than 500 ships are known to have been wrecked due to the difficulties of navigating in the archipelago. The unique water climate contributes to preservation of old wood structures, and steel hulls corrode slowly. In the summer of 2010, a fascinating discovery was made in the Åland archipelago: the world's oldest champagne and beer were found aboard a 200 years old schooner.

Accompany professional diving guides and experience Åland's underwater treasures. Every year new shipwrecks are discovered. If you fancy taking up diving, follow a diving course on Åland. Basic and further training is offered within the NAUI training system.

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Address: Fiskehamnsvägen 2, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 407 068 045
Internet: www.divealand.com

Kite Surfing



Åland has a shoreline numbering an incredible 17,000 km. Beaches lie in all directions. The mildness of the maritime climate and the contrast

between calm bays and strong winds creating powerful waves outside the islands mean ideal kite surfing conditions. According to the local kite surfing professional, Patrik Larsson, Åland boasts at least 150 days of good surfing conditions annually. In the summer it's best done on the waves, and in winter in open water further away from the shores.

Kite surfing is popular on Åland. Both beginner courses and courses for experienced kite surfers are offered. Kite on your own or with an experienced guide.

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Golf



There are two fantastic golf courses on Åland: Åland Golfklubb and Eckerö Golf. Thanks to the favourable climate the season is long: from

May to the end of October, some years even into December. Åland Golfklubb's two well-known 18-hole courses are located in the beautiful historical settings of Sund, where the courses offer views of the sea and the castle of Kastelholm.

Go to:
Eckerö Golf
Kyrkoby. Eckerö 22270
+358 45 70046532

www.eckerogolf.ax
info@eckerogolf.ax

Åland Golfklubb:

Photo: LuckyImages/Shutterstock.com
Address: Kastelholmsnäsavägen 22, Kastelholm
Phone: +358 18 41500
Internet: www.agk.ax
Email: info@golfclub.ax

Åland Museum & Art Museum



The Åland Museum (history and ethnography) and Åland Konstmuseum (art museum) are both housed under the same roof. The permanent

culture and history exhibition on display at the Åland Museum gives excellent insight into the history of the province. Art from Åland is displayed at the Konstmuseum, and there are always a few temporary exhibitions. The discovery of world's oldest champagne in the region is highlighted through an exhibition entitled "Champagnegelesen" (the champagne schooner).

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Address: Storagatan 1, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 18 25426
Internet: www.alandsmuseum.ax

Åland Maritime Museum



The Mariehamn Maritime Museum (Ålands Sjöfartsmuseum) narrates the story of Åland's seafaring tradition via informative,

family-friendly exhibits spread over three floors. The display contains historic artefacts like rare photographs and remaining parts of ships once

in use.

Photo: Arild Vågen/Wikimedia Commons (image cropped)
Address: Hamngatan 2, Mariehamn
Opening hours: Daily 11am-4pm
Phone: +358 18 19930
Internet: www.sjofartsmuseum.ax

Wildlife Safari



Get close to wildlife, and enjoy a great activity for the whole family. Get on the safari carriage on a guided tour, and see the symbol of the province of

Åland, the red deer, known as the prototype of Disney's Bambi. Fallow deer, wild boars, ostriches, and - since recently - llamas also live on the grounds. Best time to visit is in spring, when the deer get their spotted calves and the wild boars get their lovely striped piglets.

Photo: Souchon Yves/Shutterstock.com
Address: Gamla Käringsundsvägen, Eckerö
Phone: +358 457 343 5996
Internet: www.granbergs.ax/vilt safari-2/

Kastelholm Castle



A well-rested castle ruin located in idyllic surroundings. The atmosphere at Kastelholm, a medieval castle, is magical. During

the reign of Gustav Vasa Kastelholm became a royal castle. A visit provides excellent glimpse into the history of the islands and of the castle itself.

Photo: loneroc/Shutterstock.com
Address: Tosarbyvägen 5, Kastelholm
Opening hours: Daily 10am-5pm
Phone: +358 18 432134
Internet: www.kastelholm.ax

Bomarsund Fortress



In 1832, Russia began construction of the fortress of Bomarsund. Since Åland then constituted the westernmost part of Czarist Russia and had a location of strategic importance, Russia desired a strong military presence and an impressive fortress there. During the Crimean War, in 1854, an Anglo-French naval force attacked the fortress, which resulted in the Battle of Bomarsund.

The fortress was demolished and today only ruins (and the Bomarsund Museum) serve testament to Russian presence and the grandiose plans once wielded for Åland. If you wish to find out more about this part of the struggle between the great powers during the Crimean War, visit Bomarsund, and watch the film "Bomarsund, vägen till fred" ("the road to peace").

Photo: ABB Photo/Shutterstock.com
Address: Prästö, Sund
Phone: +358 400 108 800

Horse Riding



For a more hands-on experience, do not limit yourself to simply watching horses compete at the Mariehamn trotting track. There are several establishments offering riding lessons, camps, and guided horseback riding tours. Ride slow or gallop in unspoiled countryside and along the beaches. The service is offered all year round.

There are a few places in Åland that offer horseback-riding opportunities, some of these

include:

Aftonsol:

+358 18 33629

www.aftonsol.info

www.facebook.com/Stall.Aftonsol

Tellholmsvägen 262

Hammarland Åland

Midgård Islandsstall:

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Address: Kolsvidjavägen 242, Sund

Phone: +358 457 094 7490

Internet: www.midgard.ax

Email: tovepahlman@gmail.com

Ålandstravet (Trotting Track)



Visit the Ålandstravet trotting track in Mariehamn. Catch the action at warm up and feel the excitement at the start of an exhilarating

race. Trotting competitions are organised monthly from spring to autumn. In addition there is a large number of jumping, dressage, and Iceland horse competitions on Åland.

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Address: Travvägen, Mariehamn

Phone: +358 18 328 210

Internet: www.alandstravet.com

Museum Ship



The museum ship Pommer (Museifartyget Pommern) is the world's only four-masted freight sailing ship still in its original condition. It reminds onlookers of the time when an entire fleet of such ships was based in Mariehamn. Visit

the Pommern in the Western Harbour.

Photo: tonkid/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sjöpromenaden, Mariehamn

Opening hours: Opening hours will be limited during 2018, please consult the website for more details.

Phone: +358 18 19930

Internet:

www.sjofartsmuseum.ax/en/visit-us/museumship-pommern

DINING



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Åland boasts a staggering variety of high-quality local produce. Apart from island-grown vegetables, there are lamb, pork, beef (meats also come in sausage form), and seafood (fish, especially pike, along with staples like smoked salmon and herring), as well as a range of dairy products and free-range eggs. Åland's chefs really have a wealth of prime ingredients to work with, and these are made excellent use of at some of the archipelago's fine restaurants.

ÅSS Paviljongen (Sailing Pavillion)



The famous cook Michael Björklund, winner of the "Cook of the Year" title in both Sweden and Finland, welcomes you to his popular summer

restaurant, located in one of the buildings of the highest cultural and historic value in Mariehamn.

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Address: Strandpromenaden, Mariehamn
Opening hours: Fri & Sat 5-9pm
Phone: +358 18 19141
Internet: www.paviljongen.ax

Indigo Restaurant & Bar



Combines modern Scandinavian cooking with the special atmosphere of one of the oldest stone houses in town. Indigo serves

classic dishes in new ways. The bar stocks one of the archipelago's largest selections of beer. Unlike the refined dinners, lunches are a relatively casual affair.

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Address: Nygatan 1, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 18 16 550
Internet: www.indigo.ax

Restaurant Seagram



Summer restaurant on the island of Föglö. Seagram is a beautiful open-air restaurant with sea view, laying its culinary focus on fish dishes. The restaurant is somewhat of a local institution, and enjoys a spotless reputation.

Photo: Rawpixel.com/Shutterstock.com
Address: Lotsudden, Föglö
Opening hours: Open May through August
Phone: +358 18 51 092
Internet: www.seagram.ax

Restaurant Käringsund



Good food and a beautiful view of the Käringsund straits from all tables. Large open-air restaurant with two swimming pools, with an open view of the playground. Entertainment Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. Popular theme evenings and show nights are also organised by the Käringsund restaurant.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com
Address: Käringsundsvägen 194, Eckerö
Opening hours: Open May through September
Phone: +358 18 38 000
Internet: www.karingsund.ax/valkommen-restaurang-karingsund

Glada Laxen



Known for its delicious, guaranteed fresh fish dishes. Restaurant Glada Laxen is located in the eastern archipelago on the island of Bärö, housed

in a former Coast Guard station. Glada Laxen is reached by boat or by taking the archipelago ferry operated by Ålandstrafiken to the island of Kumlinge. Call when you are on your way, and you will be picked up by the staff in the restaurant boat from the harbour on Kumlinge - a real archipelago adventure. It is possible to stay overnight at the Glada Laxen.

Photo: Kheng Guan Toh/Shutterstock.com
Address: Bärö, Kumlinge
Phone: +358 1855 304
Internet: www.gladalaxen.com

Smakbyn



The refined establishment led by celebrated chef Michael Björklund is an entire gastronomic complex, which includes a high-class restaurant with an open kitchen, a distillery producing its own variety of apple brandy, a small shop, and even entire cooking courses.

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Address: 134 Slottsvägen, Kastelholm
Phone: +358 18 43666
Internet: www.smakbyn.ax

Kvarter5



One of the relatively recent additions to Åland's dining scene, Kvarter5 is a sophisticated Nordic restaurant featured in the highly-esteemed White Guide. It makes use of fresh seasonal ingredients to cook up some of the archipelago's best meals. To stay on budget, go for lunch instead of dinner.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com
Address: 10 Norragatan, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 18 15555
Internet: www.kvarter5.ax

Ångbåtsbryggan



This stylish brasserie enjoys a fantastic waterside location, its sunny terrace hovering over the water and interior design featuring interesting steampunk elements. The cooking is superb, with an especially large offering of seafood and grills. Live music plays in the

summer.

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Address: Ångbåtsbryggan 2, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 18 17613
Internet: www.brasserie.ax

CAFES



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There are plenty of wonderful spots for a cup of coffee, sandwich or casual meal. Take the opportunity to enjoy the Åland pancake, a speciality made with stewed prunes and whipped cream. It is served at most cafes on Åland.

Uffe på Berget



Translated as "Uffe on the mountain", Uffe på Berget offers an unbelievably beautiful view of the Färjsundet straits. Uffe på berget is on perched on a mountain top, and is therefore not suitable for people with limited mobility.

Photo: Ivanko80/Shutterstock.com
Address: Sundsvägen, Finström
Phone: +358 40 1734448
Internet: www.uffepaberget.blogspot.se

Bagarstugan Café & Vin



An old, cosy wooden house in the town centre. Here the staff is keen on taking good care of their guests, and everything is baked with love. In

addition to good coffee and tasty pastries, there are homemade sandwiches, salads, and pies.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Ekonomiegatan 2, Mariehamn

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 11am-5pm

Phone: +358 18 19880

Internet: www.bagarstugan.ax

Ångbåtsbryggan



A fun, adventurous miniature golf course with relaxed lounge atmosphere and good food, beer, and wine as well. Challenge yourself

and your friends to a round of adventure mini golf or just sit back, relax, and enjoy the comfortable sofas on the terrace.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva/Shutterstock.com

Address: Östra Hamnen, Mariehamn

Phone: +358 18 17 613

Internet: www.bryggan.ax

Café Lugn & Ro



The ultimate coffee break on the island of Eckerö. A lovely combination of high class pastries, chocolate, good coffee, and art exhibitions in a

magnificent building. Feel the atmosphere in the old post and customs office, enjoy the tastes and let yourself be inspired by the works of art.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva/Shutterstock.com

Address: Eckerö Post och Tullhus, Eckerö

Opening hours: Open May through September

Phone: +358 18 38420

Tsarevna



In the courtyard of Eckerö's historic Post & Customs House (once marking the Russian-Swedish customs border) sits Tsarevna, an

attractive cafe serving home-baked cakes, copiously stuffed sandwiches, and the archipelago's best summer weekend brunches.

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Address: Sandmovägen 115-119, Eckerö

Phone: +358 40 1638112

Internet: www.tsarevna.ax

Pub Niska



Chef Björklund of Åland's most successful gastronomic endeavour (Smakbyn) also runs this delightful casual "pizzeria", serving an

Åland variety of everyone's favourite guilty pleasure, the local take on it known as plåtbröd. There are also drinks and desserts made with locally-sourced dairy. Outdoor seating.

Photo: Tobik/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sjökvarteret, Mariehamn

Opening hours: Daily 11am-9pm

Phone: +358 18 19151

Internet: www.pubniska.com

Soltuna



Perched on top of the highest hill in the entire archipelago, Soltuna is more than just an eatery - views unfolding from here are quite mesmerising, and a 5-km long hiking trail leading down to the Geta caves starts from here, too. There is a semi-formal restaurant and casual cafe on site.

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Address: Getabergsvägen 16, Geta

Phone: +358 18 49530

Internet: www.soltuna.ax

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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There is a year-round offering of entertainment in Åland, despite the fact that many establishments only operate May through September. It is always worth checking the event schedule for your planned time of visiting, as festivals and celebrations are held fairly often, peaking in concentration in June and July. Most night and evening hot-spots are concentrated around Mariehamn, with a few pleasant outdoor bars around Lilla Torget, and various establishments (including a night club!) at the magnetic Arkipelag Hotel.

Stallhagen Brewery & Pub



The award-winning Stallhagen beers are produced on Åland. Familiarise yourself with the brewery, where the beer is produced with great care and professionalism. Each brew is mixed by hand, and no unnecessary preservatives are added. Guided tours are organised, where you have a look at the production process and enjoy a tasting of Stallhagen beer. Live music plays on the terrace and a concise dining menu is offered.

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Address: Getavägen 196, Godby

Phone: +358 18 48500

Internet: www.stallhagen.com

Arken Nattklubb



Arken is the legendary nightclub in the Arkipelag Hotel, Mariehamn's year-round entertainment centre. Regardless where people have been eating or drinking previously, those looking to continue the night all eventually swarm to Arken, which keeps the party going until 4am on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

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Address: Strandgatan 31, Mariehamn

Phone: +358 18 24 020

Internet: www.hotellarkipelag.com/noje/nattklubb

Paf Casino



Add zest to your visit to the Åland Islands with a luxurious casino evening. Poker tournaments, including international ones, are held on a regular basis. The casino is located in the same building as the entertainment hot-spot Arkipelag Hotel and its largest and liveliest nightclub.

Photo: 18percentgrey/Shutterstock.com
Address: Strandgatan 35, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 27 79 12 231
Internet: www.pafcasino.com

Dino's Bar & Grill



Enjoy a night of rock'n'roll and BBQ at the popular Dino's Bar, with live bands regularly playing indoors and entertainers performing in the beer garden in the summer. The establishment boasts a genuine rock atmosphere. There is pasta, burgers, and barbecue on the menu.

Photo: DGLimages/Shutterstock.com
Address: Strandgatan 12, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 18 13939
Internet: www.dinosbar.com

Adlon Sportsbar



Pizzeria and sports bar in the western harbour. In addition to good pizzas and refrigerated beverages, there are loads of sports is at hand: Premier League, Serie A, La Liga, Champions League and Formula 1 are broadcast, along with many other important matches.

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Address: Hamngatan 7, Mariehamn
Phone: +358 18 12 345
Internet: www.pizza.ax

Park Restaurang & Bar



Well-regarded and beloved by locals and visitors alike, Park Restaurang & Bar buzzes with life most nights of the week, and especially so Wednesday through Saturday, when quality live music of varying genres (from classical to rock) is played on its stage.

Photo: Bignai/Shutterstock.com
Address: Norra Esplanadgatan 2, Mariehamn
Opening hours: Operates year round
Phone: +358 18 527555

Pub Albin



With its refreshing sun deck overlooking the water, Pub Albin is one of Mariehamn's low-key evening favourites, a bar with generous drinks and dining offerings (the pizzas enjoy a particular popularity).

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Address: Sjöpromenaden, Mariehamn
Opening hours: Daily 11am-9pm
Phone: +358 18 19404

SHOPPING



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Most shopping opportunities are centred around the pedestrian street Torggatan in Mariehamn, and in the Maritime Quarter on the shore of Slemmern Bay. Mariehamn is renowned for its handicrafts and textiles, ceramics, smithery, and silver. Look out for Guldviva jewellery, Judy's and Jussi's ceramics, the textile design of Korpi & Gordon and Minna Rundberg, as well as the handicraft of the SALT artists. All these are also well-suited as gifts.

Torggatan



Torggatan is the pedestrian street that runs through the centre of Mariehamn, one lined by artisan shops and cosy cafes. It's easy to spend a few hours here, dropping into one store after another, with a pleasant coffee break in-between.

Photo: Tyler Olson/Shutterstock.com

Address: Torggatan, Mariehamn

Salt



A living handicraft workshop with sales and a beautiful cafe with a sea view. Handmade objects in textiles, silver, ceramics, wood, and smithery - the assortment is truly impressive. There is always a crafts person on location ready to advise.

Photo: jumoobo/Shutterstock.com

Address: Östraleden 110, Mariehamn

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-2pm

Phone: +358 18 21505

Internet: www.salt.ax

More Info: Sjökvarteret

Guldviva



Unique and well-liked jewellery, inspired by the spirit of the local people and majestic scenery of the islands. The craftspeople of Guldviva aim to express how life on the islands makes its imprint on the archipelago's inhabitants via their works. Features unique designs.

Photo: jean schweitzer/Shutterstock.com

Address: Östraleden 110, Mariehamn

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-2pm

Phone: +358 18 22130

Internet: www.guldviva.com

More Info: Sjökvarteret

Judys Hantverk & Inredning



Judy and her dedicated team work together to produce beautiful ceramics that come in shapes of cups, plates, flower pots, and various

home decor items. The ceramics are hand-made, each handled individually with attention and care.

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Address: Hindersvägen 1, Jomala

Phone: +358 18 19988

Sittkoff Galleria



One of Mariehamn's most popular shopping locations and meeting points is the Sittkoff Galleria. Find a real bargain in shops with

beautiful and unique clothing, shoes, jewellery, and handicrafts. Restaurants and ATMs can be found on premises.

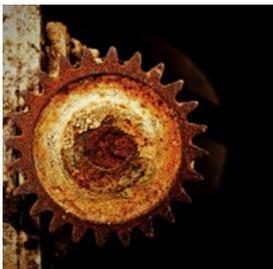
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Address: Torggatan 13, Mariehamn

Phone: +358 18 29687

Internet: www.sittkoffs.ax

The Little BBQ's Junk Art



The peculiar creations of this shop's owner and primary craftsman are something one is unlikely to have seen before: put together from discarded

parts of machinery, old rusty tools and the like, the pieces are, indeed, unique, and range from bizarre creatures like a chainsaw spider to endearing piglets (made of rusty metal tubes) and piratical pieces like candle-holders and bookshelves.

Photo: akarapong/Shutterstock.com

Address: Krokviksgränd 2, Mariehamn

Phone: +358 40 8484904

Internet: www.thelittlebbq.wordpress.com

Torggatan 15



Another shopping gem not to be missed is the Torggatan 15 collection of small boutiques, each with its own irresistible appeal. Torggatan packs

everything from islands' art to clothing. Two stand-outs are Viktor Crafts & Designs, stocking items (clothing, accessories, home decor items, etc.) produced by a collection of local artisans, and Labelled, which sells wearable pieces made from recycled fabrics.

Photo: Ollyy/Shutterstock.com

Address: Torggatan 15, Mariehamn

Phone: +358 40 1636068

Jussis Keramik



The sleek designs produced by Jussis Keramik have long been recognised for their finesse; watching the pieces as they are being created in-house adds to the boutique's appeal. A bird motif runs through many of the creations.

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Address: Nygatan 1, Mariehamn

Phone: +358 18 13606

Internet: www.jussiskeramik.fi

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Passport / Visa



Finland can be visited visa-free for up to 90 days by citizens of Australia, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Malaysia, Israel, UAE and

most countries in America. If you are unsure whether or not you need to apply for a visa, we recommend contacting the embassy or consulate in your country. International (non-Schengen) travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the Schengen zone. Citizens of Schengen countries can travel without a passport, but must have a valid ID with them during their stay.

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Best Time to Visit



The Åland Islands enjoy a mild continental climate, characterised by moderately cold winters and relatively cool summers (averages for

July, the hottest month, lie around 15 degrees

Celsius). Since summers don't tend to get particularly warm, visiting in July will allow you to experience the archipelago's best weather, and possibly witness some of Åland's famous festivities, which occur throughout the month. Arriving the month before - in June - will allow you to join in on the famous Midsummer celebrations, and witness the "midnight sun".

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Cruise and Ferry Terminals



There are three ferry companies: Viking Line, Tallink Silja, and Eckerölinjen. They have services from Stockholm, Grisslehamn and

Norrtälje in Sweden, as well as from Turku and Helsinki in Finland and from Tallinn in Estonia and Riga in Latvia.

The Western Harbour in Mariehamn:

Arrival of cruise ships and car/passenger ferries. Viking Line, Tallink Silja, Birka Cruise and Ånedinlinjen.

Berghamn on Eckerö (to the west of the main island):

Arrival of Eckerö Linjen's ferry from Grisslehamn.

Långnäs Harbour in Lumparland (to the east of the main island):

Arrival of Viking Line's and Tallink Silja's ferries night-time. Arrival of Skärgårdstrafiken's (archipelago ferry services) ferries from Korpo, Finnish mainland.

Hummelvik:

Arrival of Skärgårdstrafiken's ferry from Brändö

corresponding with a connection to Gustavs in Finland.

Skärgårdstrafiken (Archipelago ferry services): Traffic to and from Åland's eastern archipelago, as well as Gustavs and Korpo in Finland.

Tallinksilja

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www.tallinksilja.se

Eckerö Linjen

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Viking Line

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www.vikingline.se

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Airport



The Mariehamn International Airport is located a mere 5-minute car ride from downtown Mariehamn. There is no direct public transport

connection, since the airport is located only 2km away from the city. Most visitors hire a cab at the airport (+3581810066).

Air Åland

+358 18 17110

www.airaland.com

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Address: Flygfältsvägen 67, Mariehamn

Phone: +358 18 17 110

Public Transport



Röde Orm Public transport in Mariehamn is free of charge. See the time table and bus routes at www.rodeorm.ax Note that in the summer the

buses are replaced in part by cosy tourist trains.

Ålandstrafiken

There are five bus services on Åland. All of them depart from the bus station in Mariehamn. The buses are comfortable and the fares are low. For more information on time tables, routes and fares, go to: www.alandstrafiken.ax

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Internet: www.alandstrafiken.ax

Taxi



Godby Taxi +358 18 41
130 Din Taxi +358 18 32
720 Mariehamns Taxi
+358 18 26 000

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Pharmacy



Central-apoteket
Skarpsvägen 34 +358
18 19 714 Nya Apoteket I
Marieham, Norragatan 17
+358 18 16511 Both
pharmacies always open

on weekends.

Emergency healthcare

+358 18 5355

Docktorvägen 1, Mariehamn

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Telephone



Country code: +358 Area
code: 018 (omit the zero
if dialling country code
first)

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Electricity



230 volt, 50 Hz
European-style 2-pin
plugs

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

29 214 (Mariehamn 11 405)

Currency

Euro 1 € = 100 cent

Opening hours

General opening hours are 10-17 weekdays, Saturdays
10-14. Many businesses close on Sundays. During the high
season, from mid-June till mid-August, the opening hours
are extended, and include Sundays.

Newspapers

Ålands Tidningen
www.alandstidningen.ax

Nya Åland
www.nyan.ax

Emergency numbers

112

Tourist information

VisitÅland
Address: Storagatan 8, 22100 Mariehamn
Tel: +358 18 24000
Email: info@visitaland.com

Opening Hours:
September - May: Mon-Fri 9-16

1-23 June: Mon-Fri 9-17, Sat 10-16
June 24 - August 6: Mon-Fri 9-17, Sun 11-16
7-31 August: Mon-Fri 9-17, Sat 10-16