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Stockholm – the perfect port of call

The Baltic Sea region displays a unique and different side of Europe. One you must visit or even better, cruise through. Right at the heart of the Baltic region is Stockholm. Entering Stockholm is to sail through one of the most breath taking natural landscapes in the world, with its snow covered cobs and islands in the winter and its green and everlasting light in the summer. Stockholm is built on 14 islands with ten centuries of history and culture and a remarkable modernity and trend sensitivity in everything from lifestyle to design, cuisine, and new technology.

Why Stockholm?

Entering Stockholm is to sail through one of the most breathtaking natural landscapes in the world – the Archipelago with its 30,000 islands, islets and rocks. The city center is filled with vast open water and wonderful parks and walking areas, historical sights and attractions. 100 art galleries and 75 museums make up the single greatest concentration of galleries and museums in one place. It is not just a one of the most beautiful cities you can find, the capital has also been widely publicized as one of the world's most dynamic, creative and exciting contemporary urban scenes, with cutting edge fashion, design, restaurants, art, music and night life. Here are some reasons for stopping by Stockholm:

1. The breathtaking archipelago
2. A city of contrasts, where preserved medieval buildings stand alongside modern architecture
3. The Old Town, Northern Europe's best preserved medieval city
4. The cosmopolitan and contemporary mentality
5. A city for all senses – countless museums, galleries and sites to suit every taste
6. World class shopping and innovative Swedish design
7. Easy to get around - a compact, walkable city so you can see and do most things in a short period of time
8. One of Europe's most dynamic and exciting gastronomic metropolises with world-class restaurants in every part of the city
9. Clean and safe with friendly locals eager to use their English

Stockholm will amuse you regardless of the season

Stockholm becomes a completely different story with every season. On the last day of April is Walpurgis, the celebration to kiss the winter goodbye with bonfires, parties and a lot of collective singing. In late June there is Midsummer, a celebration like no other to celebrate the arrival of high summer. Maypole dancing, herring, flower wreaths, snaps and more collective singing all take place during this beloved

day. Late August leaves room for exotic crayfish parties, and of course for more snaps and more singing. On December 10th the city hosts the pristine Nobel Prize Banquet at the City Hall, and on December 13th is Lucia, the festival of light. Children all over town clad in all-white, sing along and bear candles to brighten up the dark winter morning. There is magic all year around in this town.

What to enjoy while in Stockholm

- A stroll through the **Old Town**.
- **Vasa Museum** – a nautical museum featuring a salvaged royal warship from the 17th century.
- The Changing of the Guard ceremony at **the Royal Palace**.
- **City Hall Tour** – the official site of the Nobel Prize banquet.
- **Drottningholm Palace** – home to the royal family and a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Learn more about the Viking era at **The Viking Museum**, an interactive museum located in Djurgården, or visit The Viking exhibition at the **Historical Museum**.
- **Millesgården** – the home, studio and garden of sculptor Carl Milles.
- A visit to the refreshingly cool **Ice Bar by ICEHOTEL**.
- **Skansen** – a collection of 150 cultural-historic buildings and a park with wild and domestic Nordic animals.
- **Fotografiska**, a museum dedicated to the art of photography.

The perfect choice for turnarounds

Situated in the heart of the Baltic region with all the amenities necessary for pre- and post-cruise stays, including first-class hotels, frequent overseas flight connections, effective ground handling and tour services, Stockholm is the perfect choice for turnarounds.

Stockholm is environmentally conscious

Stockholm has become an international poster-child for environmental development. The Ports of Stockholm are actively working to limit

the environmental impact of shipping, both within the framework of its own operations as well as with other shipping companies and partners. Here are some of the progressive environmental initiatives The Ports of Stockholm have undertaken:

- A sliding scale of port dues to reduce sulphur and nitrogen emissions from vessels.
- Improved waste management – all types of waste are accepted onshore provide ample notice is given regarding hazardous goods and that all waste is sorted and packed in accordance with given instructions.
- The introduction of an annual environmental prize, the environmental Buoy, as well as the Environmental Buoy Diploma to recognise and encourage care for the environment among cruise operators.

Stockholm Cruise Centre Frihamnen – Dedicated Cruise Terminal

Scandinavia's most modern cruise terminal dedicated for turnarounds was recently opened in Frihamnen, the Free Port – equipped to accommodate high numbers of passengers arriving and departing simultaneously.

Port Facts:

Nybroviken 5: Right in the city center, 5 min walk to the Old Town.

Skeppsbron: Next to the Royal Palace in the Old Town. Walking distance to most shops and attractions.

Mooring Buoy: Right in the Old Town. Walking distance to most shops and attractions.

Stadsgården 160: 10 min walk to the Old Town; 20 min to the city center.

Stadsgården 165/167: 20 min walk to the Old Town; 30 min to the city center; 10 min by taxi or bus.

Värtahamnen 523: 3 km; 10 min by taxi or 20 min by bus.

Frihamnen 650: 3 km; 10 min by taxi or 20 min by bus.

Frihamnen 634/638: 3 km; 10 min by taxi or 20 min by bus.

- GMT + 1
- Local summer time GMT + 2
- Full service port
- No tide
- No height limitations
- Port dues are based on GRT and passenger fee
- Ships gangway to be used in port
- 9 different berth locations, 1 mooring buoy

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