



EXETER
INTERNATIONAL

Essential Stockholm





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WHY EXETER INTERNATIONAL?

At Exeter International we have been creating memories and crafting our trademark extraordinary journeys to Central Europe, Russia, Scandinavia, and Central Asia for over 25 years. Our specialty is to distill the best of the best in iconic places that are on so many people's travel must-do list.

We are not a call center of nameless, faceless people. We do not try to be everything to everyone. We are a small team of specialists. We are all committed to providing the best travel experiences to our destinations. Each member of our team has travelled extensively throughout our destinations, giving them insider knowledge lacking in many other tour operators.

Our Extraordinary Experiences are different, unusual, and often closed to the general public. We can offer special insider access that takes you beyond the typical tourist sites. We know how important it is to remain authentic and increasingly going beyond the well-known sites is what is important to our guests—discovering the little-known museum or street market that adds to their experience. We do this through our local knowledge, cultivating our extensive contacts and regularly visiting each destination to enable us to share the most up-to-date insider information with you, our valued partner.

The most important part of your trip will be your guides. Guides come in many quality levels, especially in our part of the world. We have worked with a core group of the best of the best for over 20 years. We know them like family and if they weren't the best, they wouldn't work for us. Simply stated, a guide can make or break your experience. You should have 100% confidence in who is introducing you to your guide and the level of guiding that you are going to get throughout the countries you will be visiting. The best does indeed cost more and we pay our guides at the very top of the market, with pride.

You'll also want to know what kind of vehicle your tour will include. We use luxury late-model vehicles, often Mercedes, Audi, BMW, or Volkswagen, depending on the size of the vehicle you need. You'll want to see things that may or may not be open to the public and go in early or after hours before the crowds whenever possible. We also make every effort to skip lines whenever possible. Avoiding long museum lines is one of our top priorities and we work hard to minimize the wait time to get into the most popular sights in each city, maximizing your time in each destination.

You'll want impeccable planning and someone to bounce ideas off of before your trip and speak English as well as you do while planning your trip so there are no cultural misunderstandings when you arrive. You'll also want someone to talk to if your trip is not perfect when you get home. These are all ways that we distinguish ourselves from all other companies.

A lot goes into our travel program design. We arrange the program so that it is flawless and effortless for our travelers from the time they set foot in the first city until they leave us. The expertise to set up an itinerary like this comes after years of investing in staff on both sides of the Atlantic, and this too is a value that is incorporated into our traveler's trips with us.

Day 1



STOCKHOLM

Arrival into Stockholm. Your driver will meet you outside of baggage claim and customs and transfer you to your hotel, ideally located in the center of the city.

Stockholm, Sweden's capital, was built on 14 islands connected through a network of waterways and more than 50 bridges. Known as "the Venice of the North", it is hardly surprising that Stockholm is a city best seen from the water. Recognized for their modern design and freshness, the Swedes also take great pride in their customs and traditions.

EXETER SERVICES

Transfer

HOTEL

At Six

Day 2



STOCKHOLM

This morning, your guide will meet you in your hotel lobby for a walk to Gamla Stan (Old Town) to explore the narrow winding streets and historic buildings. Storkyrkan, the Great Church, is set in the heart of Old Town. Dating back to the early 1500's the Lutheran church is Gothic design and has been the setting for numerous Royal weddings.

Continue via ferry with your guide for a journey to Djurgården, a natural resort in the heart of Stockholm. Here you will visit the Vasa Museum. This is Scandinavia's most visited museum, known for its maritime history and Housing of the Vasa warship. The Vasa, perhaps the grandest and most ambitious ship ever to be built in Sweden, is the city's prized treasure. She capsized and sank straight to the bottom on her maiden voyage in the 17th century only to be salvaged nearly 333 years later in 1961.

Next, you will have a visit at the Skansen, the world's largest open-air museum. Displaying the life and buildings over the last 150 years, this miniature Sweden depicts how the city has evolved. During the summer months, you can enjoy live concerts, folk music, and dancing in Skansen.

EXETER SERVICES

Guide (4 hours)

HOTEL

At Six

Day 3



STOCKHOLM

This morning depart by boat for Drottningholm Palace and the unique court theatre where operas and concerts were performed. The boat trip takes approximately 50 minutes. The Palace, built in 1662, is now the residence of Sweden's royal family. It was originally built as a Baroque palace and later extended and refurbished in the rococo style.

You will visit the magnificent Baroque Court Theatre, which is the oldest preserved theatre still in use. The original stage machinery, dating back to the 18th century is still in use. Even today the Royal Swedish Opera and Royal Swedish ballet perform at the theater.

You will be met by your private car and driver at Drottningholm Palace and transferred back into the city. Continue with a walk along the quays of Stockholm for a visit at the imposing City Hall, Stockholm's political center and site for the annual Nobel Prize festivities. The Golden Hall is covered in millions of mosaic tiles depicting Sweden's history and most famous sites. The Blue Hall holds a pipe organ, with over 10,000 pipes, is the largest musical instrument in Scandinavia.

EXETER SERVICES

Hotel to Pier Transfer; Vehicle & Driver (3 Hours); Guide (8 Hours)

HOTEL

At Six

Day 4



STOCKHOLM

This morning your guide will take you to visit the Fotografiska Museum. The museum features four major exhibitions and 15-20 minor exhibitions per year of contemporary photographers, many who have never shown in Sweden before. Past exhibitions have included Annie Leibovitz. Housed in an early 1900's Art Nouveau style building, the museum has 3 floors of exhibitions in addition to a gallery, shop and bistro.

Later continue to the island of Lidingö for a visit to Millesgården Sculpture Garden. This is one of Stockholm's most spectacular museums, built on terraces carved into cliffs and overlooking the harbor. See world famous monuments and fountains – all created by the great American-Swedish sculpture master, Carl Milles. The visit will be followed by a drive to the viewpoint at Fjällgatan for visit and photo stop.

This afternoon, your guide will take you to the National Museum, which just re-open after a 5-year renovation. The Museum, which is one of the oldest public museums in the world, displays pieces from the Renaissance to current. The café is well worth a visit.

EXETER SERVICES

Vehicle, Driver, and Guide (8 Hours)

HOTEL

At Six

Day 5



STOCKHOLM

Today you will have a canal cruise ticket to Artipelag. Your cruise departs at 11AM from the central pier in Stockholm and sails through the narrow passages of the archipelago of Stockholm. Arrive at the museum 1 hour and 35 minutes later.

You will have time to explore the museum grounds on your own. The return ferry departs the museum's pier at 2:50PM.

EXETER SERVICES

Canal Cruise Tickets and Artipelag Tickets

HOTEL

At Six



Day 6

DEPARTURE FROM STOCKHOLM

This morning, you will be transferred to the airport for your onward flight.

EXETER SERVICES

Airport Transfer

What's
Included



Accommodations

Stockholm

Deluxe Room for 5 nights at the At Six Hotel; tax and breakfast included.

Recently opened At Six Hotel is newest five star hotel in Sweden's capital. Perfect for couples, art lovers, or those who want to be in the heart of Stockholm's newest trend setting neighborhood. Housed in a former bank amongst other Brutalist architectural pieces, award winning Universal Design Studio has transformed the space into a contemporary lifestyle hotel complete with a chef run restaurant, the city's only listening lounge, a cocktail bar, and café.

All rooms have wooden floors, marble desks, worldwide adapter, and robes and slippers. All beds are by Swedish Hilding Anders and offer a variety of pillows and luxury eco-friendly sheets. Rooms offer complimentary Wi-Fi, sparkling water, tea and coffee, and organic toiletries by c/o Gerd. The rooms offer central ventilation, where guests can set the room temperature to as low as 17 degrees Celsius.

Deluxe Rooms: These rooms range in size from 240-290 square feet and have either a king size bed or two twin beds. Luxury bathrooms include a walk-in shower or bathtub/shower combo. All rooms are on top floors with panoramic windows offering downtown views. Some rooms come with a private balcony!

Meals

No meals included, other than breakfast as described above. Your final documents will include our top recommendations. *Your guides will recommend restaurants that fit your exact needs daily.*

Services

Private vehicle, driver and guide at your service as described. The timing for each day is noted in your program.

Exeter International's local offices are available for your assistance 24 hours per day while you are traveling. Our local staff may also assist you with restaurant reservations and purchasing of additional theater and museum tickets at your request.

Transportation

Transportation is included as noted. Unless otherwise noted, all transfer service is with a driver only, not a guide. In general, drivers have limited English-speaking skills. Timing for each day is noted in your program.

Guides

Hand chosen for their knowledge on local history, art, and architecture. Guides are at your disposal as noted in your itinerary.

Tickets

All entrance tickets as described in the program.

Exeter International Travel Information

BAGGAGE

The vehicles reserved for your itinerary can accommodate up to two medium-sized suitcases per person. If you intend to travel with additional luggage, please advise your travel consultant so appropriate arrangements may be made. In general, we schedule a sedan for parties of two, a minivan for parties of three to four, and a minibus for parties of five or more.

SIGHTSEEING

Sightseeing arrangements have been made with your special interests in mind. Your drivers and guides are at your disposal as indicated in the itinerary. Within those time and mileage guidelines, you are free to modify your program as you please. Should you require additional time or mileage, the costs will be quoted on request and may be paid for locally in the local currency or U.S. Dollars.

Every effort has been made to confirm that scheduled sightseeing venues will be open at the time you plan to visit them. However, individual estates, museums, gardens and other points of interest can change their hours of operation at short notice. In the event that a particular attraction is closed on the day or time of your visit, your guide will offer alternative arrangements or rearrange your sightseeing to accommodate these unexpected events.

OPTIONAL EXPENSES

Charges for extra meals, transport, sightseeing services or other optional additions to your established itinerary are your responsibility and must be paid locally in the local currency.

GRATUITIES

Gratuities are not included in your tour price. Gratuities are at your own discretion. We recommend \$30 per person, per day for your guide and \$15 per person, per day for your driver. For your airport or station transfer, a gratuity of \$20 is customary, based on service. Dollars, Euros and any local currency are all accepted.

DINING WITH YOUR GUIDE

On days when dinner and lunch costs have not been included in your itinerary (or in your tour cost), you may, at your discretion, choose to invite your guide to dine with your party. You are under no obligation to do so but, if you do extend such an invitation, the guide is your guest and you will be responsible for the cost of his/her meal.

Booking Conditions

PAYMENTS

Exeter International must receive a deposit of 25% of the total program cost before reservations for your independent travel program can be initiated. The balance of payment is due 60 days prior to departure. **No reservations are made on your behalf until this deposit has been received.** Availability and pricing is subject to change until this deposit is received. **All deposits are nonrefundable.**

CANCELLATION

Written cancellations received fewer than 60 days prior to departure are subject to the following forfeit of tour cost:

- 59–14 days prior to departure, 50% of total tour cost
- 14 or less days prior to departure, 100% of tour cost

REFUNDS

We regret that refunds cannot be issued for arrangements confirmed on your itinerary but unused once your tour has begun.

INSURANCE

Exeter International strongly recommends the purchase of travel insurance to protect your investment. You will find insurance costs noted on your invoice and insurance coverage information in your original booking packet.

PRICES AND ARRANGEMENTS

Once an itinerary is finalized and final payment has been made, a \$100 revision fee will be charged if the itinerary is changed.

The tour price includes planning, handling and operational charges. Rates are quoted in U.S. Dollars on the current rate of exchange and tariff as of 2020. Exeter International reserves the right to increase tour prices to cover increased costs, tariffs and taxes, and to reflect fluctuations in foreign exchange markets. Devaluation of a foreign currency will be weighed against any tariff increases imposed. **Exeter International does not breakdown costs involved in any Small Group or Individual Travel Program.**

*All arrangements are subject to availability and modification if necessary.
Prices are subject to change if necessary until paid in full.*

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