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Above left: The Royal Castle and the Old City. Above right: The City Hall. Left: Kungsträdgården, cherry blossom garden in the spring. Middle: Outside the Ericsson Globe, Sky View.

# WELCOME TO SWEDEN AND STOCKHOLM

The Swedish Figure Skating Association and the City of Stockholm welcome skaters, officials, judges and guests from all International Skating Union Members to the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships in Stockholm, held on 6th-7th April 2018.

Stockholm is one of the most beautiful capital cities in the world, built on 14 islands which are connected by 57 bridges. The distinctive traits of this city include the beautiful buildings, the fresh air and greenery, and the proximity to the water.

The Capital of Sweden offers all the comforts of a big city, with the added cosines of a small town; everything is right on your doorstep.

Stockholm is known for its beauty, its buildings and architecture, its abundant clean and open water, and its many parks.

## THE CITY OF STOCKHOLM

With its 750-year history and rich cultural life, Stockholm offers a wide selection of world-class museums and attractions. Most of the city's attractions can be reached on foot, and there's a

good chance of experiencing a lot of things in a short time. Experience big city life, the history of civilization and natural scenery, all in the course of the same day.

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## The Archipelago

The world famous Stockholm Archipelago is made up of over 30 '000 islands, from small to large, some buzzing with activity, others barely large enough to peak out from the crystal clear waters of the Baltic Sea. The Archipelago can be easily reached by boat from Stockholm city and day trips run regularly all year round. [www.stockholmarchipelago.se](http://www.stockholmarchipelago.se)

## The Stockholm card – the smart way to discover Stockholm

The Stockholm Card will save you time and money. You'll discover sights, museums, attractions and excursions you didn't even know existed. It includes free rides on the metro, buses as well as free admission to many sights, museums and attractions. More information [www.visitstockholm.com](http://www.visitstockholm.com)



Map of Stockholm



# THE VENUE

Each year **Stockholm Globe Arenas** provide 2 million visitors with more than 300 world class events in sport, music and entertainment. Our four arenas (Ericsson Globe, Hovet, Annexet, and Tele2 Arena) and the new tourist attraction SkyView form the largest sport and entertainment district in Scandinavia.

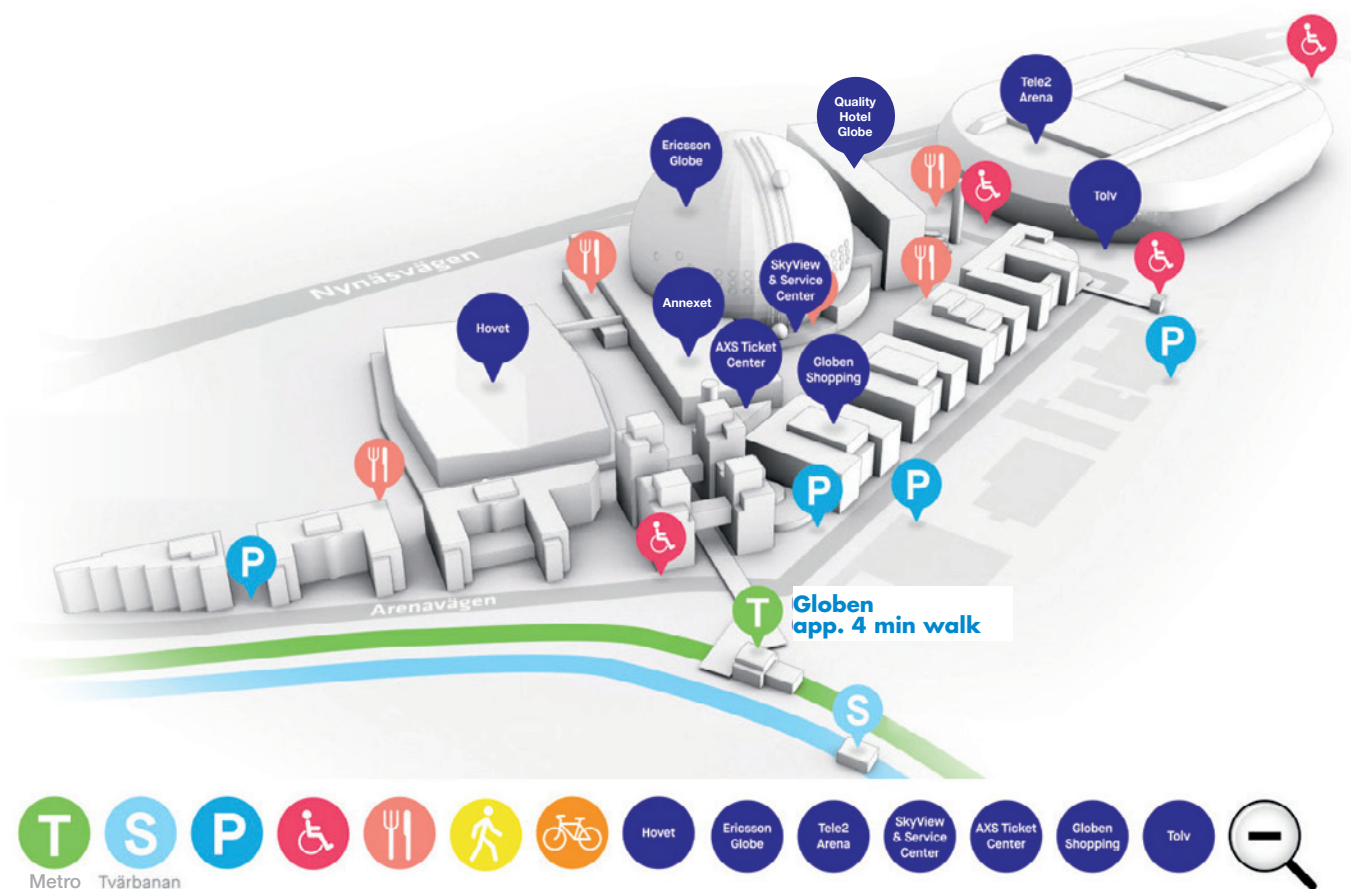
## Main arena

Ericsson Globe is the world's largest spherical building built in 1989 and its unique shape has become a symbol for Stockholm and Sweden. Each day people from all over the world come to look at this curious architecture with its clever construction solutions. For example, the arena can very swiftly be

transformed from an ice hockey rink to a gala dinner hall or from a horse jumping arena to a table tennis arena.

## Practice rink

In direct conjunction with Ericsson Globe we have the practice rink – Hovet, just a few meters from the main arena and the official hotel, Quality Hotel Globe, reachable by an indoor pathway corridor.









## OFFICIAL HOTEL

The official hotel, Quality Hotel Globe, is in the same building as the main arena and the practice rink. Therefore, no transportation between the hotel, main arena and practice rink is needed.

### **Quality Hotel Globe \*\*\*\***

The Quality Hotel Globe is the official hotel for the Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Managers, Coaches, ISU, ISU Office Holders, Event Officials, Team Officials and Team Medical Staff.

Quality Hotel Globe is one of Stockholm larger hotels situated next to Ericsson Globe in Stockholm, 5 km from the city center.

There are 524 rooms, most of them newly built in 2014, and the rest were renovated in 2007. The hotel rooms are well equipped with a bath or shower, TV, trouser press, iron, hairdryer and wifi. The hotel provides a bistro, breakfast room, arena restaurant and a bar.

Globen Shopping has 60 stores, and offers you a personable environment and a high degree of service. There are also a number of ATMs available as well as banks and the shops are open Monday – Sunday. <http://www.globeshopping.se/>

### **Quality Hotel Globe**

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121 26 Stockholm  
Sweden  
Phone: +46 8 686 63 00  
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[www.choice.se/quality/globe](http://www.choice.se/quality/globe)

### **Room prices, per night including breakfast buffet and local taxes:**

Single room: 1.500 SEK  
Double room: 1.800 SEK  
Triple room: 2.000 SEK (Double room with extra bed)

**Reservation:** All reservation at Quality Hotel Globe must be made through ORS, the ISU online registration system. Individual reservations by Team Members at the hotel are not accepted.

**Pickup from the Stockholm-Arlanda Airport and the Stockholm Central Station and the harbor is only provided if you choose the official hotel, Quality Hotel Globe.**

## General information

Reservations can be made through the OC only, using the special hotel request forms included in the announcement. Based on the first entries, Member federations will kindly be asked to make a pre-payment and latest upon arrival in Stockholm, Member federations are required to settle full payment at registration.

## Incidentals

All hotel extras, including services such as telephone charges, Pay TV, room service, mini bar laundry and dry cleaning, are to be settled directly at the hotel upon checkout. All Pay TV Channels and telephones will be blocked upon check-in, and can

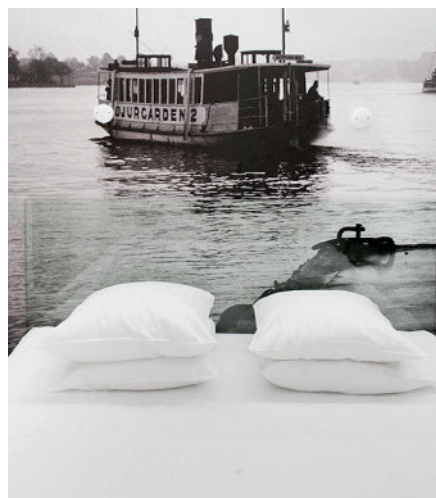
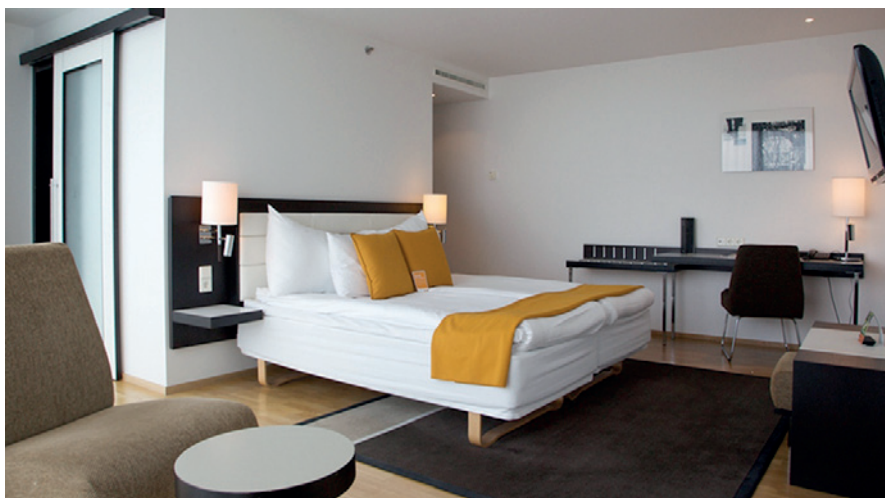
only be activated when a personal credit card is presented at the hotel front desk. Each Member federation is responsible for incidentals and the Team Leader for each Member federation is the appointed contact person.

## Contact person and room changes

For any problems with regard to rooms, room changes, damage in the room etc. the Team Leader is agreed to be the contact person. Any room change should be addressed to the OC. No changes are allowed directly with the hotel.

Payments	DUE DATE
Deadline for 50% deposit for hotel reservations from Federation	November 1, 2017
Refund of 100% hotel deposit for cancellations up to	December 22, 2017
Refund of 50% hotel deposit for cancellations from December 23 until	March 15, 2018
No refund for cancellations after	March 15, 2018
Federation to pay balance of hotel payment latest at	Registration





Above left: Clarion Hotel Stockholm. Above right: Hotel C Stockholm Left: Detail Hotel C Stockholm. Right: Spa at the Clarion Hotel Stockholm.

## OPTIONAL, NON OFFICIAL HOTEL FOR MEDIA, CHAPERONES AND SPECTATORS

### Clarion Hotel Stockholm \*\*\*\*

Clarion Hotel Stockholm is a sister hotel of Quality Hotel Globe. The hotel is within walking distance (15 min) from the Arena, Ericsson Globe and is only two stations away by underground. Clarion Hotel Stockholm offers 532 rooms in a modern and international atmosphere. The hotel is located on Södermalm less than 10 minutes from the Central Station and the Old Town. It is easily reached by underground, bus or taxi. In the Södermalm district you will find a large number of restaurants, shopping, galleries and new design.

#### Clarion Hotel Stockholm

Ringvägen 98  
104 60 STOCKHOLM  
Phone: 08-462 10 00

[www.clarionstockholm.com](http://www.clarionstockholm.com)

### Hotel C Stockholm \*\*\*

Clarion Hotel Stockholm is a sister hotel of Quality Hotel Globe. The hotel is within walking distance to the airport express train Arlanda Express and the Central Station. Hotel C Stockholm offers 367 rooms that are inspired by Stockholm. The Hotel is located in the center of Stockholm and you will reach the Arena, Ericsson Globe, within 10 minutes by the underground.

#### Hotel C Stockholm

Vasaplan 4  
111 20 STOCKHOLM  
Phone: +46 (0)8-50 56 31 00

[www.hotelcstockholm.com](http://www.hotelcstockholm.com)

#### Reservations:

All hotel reservations at Clarion Hotel Stockholm and Hotel C Stockholm must be made by the guest by phone or website [www.nordicchoicehotels.se](http://www.nordicchoicehotels.se).

To get a reduced price use this code:  
Booking by phone: synchroworlds2018  
Booking by website: WSSC2018

# TRAVEL INFORMATION

## VISA

Please verify with the Swedish Embassy or Consulate in your country whether you need a Visa. Please visit the Swedish Foreign Department's website to obtain information, [www.ud.se](http://www.ud.se).

Nordic citizens and citizens from countries within the Schengen area may enter Sweden without presenting their passport, but for identification purpose it is strongly recommended to bring your passport.

For citizens from other countries a valid passport is necessary.

## Travel to Stockholm

### By air

Stockholm-Arlanda Airport is Sweden's largest Airport. Stockholm-Arlanda Airport is the primary gateway to Stockholm and Sweden. Some 70 airlines serve non-stop scheduled routes to 140 destinations. Scandinavian Airlines System (SAS) and Star Alliance has the largest number of non-stop flight connections to and from Stockholm to international destinations.

### Reaching Stockholm by sea

Stockholm harbor is centrally located and several major ferry lines run to and from Helsinki, Turku, Tallinn, Riga, St. Petersburg and many more cities around the Baltic sea

### Reaching Stockholm by train

Getting to Sweden by train from Europe is quick and easy, especially due to the Öresund Bridge between Denmark and Sweden. The state-owned rail company SJ runs most long-distance

routes from Oslo, Copenhagen, Berlin and domestic routes in Sweden, to Stockholm.

The city has one main train station, Stockholm Central Station located in the city center. From the Central Station/T-Centralen, it is only 10 minutes by metro to the Stockholm Globe arena and Stockholm Quality Globe Hotel.

## Arrival & departures

### Official Transportation

Based on the arrival and departure information received in a timely manner from the teams, the OC will provide transportation at arrival and departure only between the Official Hotel, Quality Hotel Globe and the Stockholm-Arlanda Airport, the Harbor of Stockholm (Värtahamnen, Stadsgården and Frihamnen) and the Stockholm Central Station. The transportation will be provided for Teams, ISU Office Holders, and Event Officials. The accredited members of the Official Team Delegation will only have transportation provided if they travel with the team.

The OC requests that teams schedule their arrivals for Tuesday, April 3, as this will be the primary transportation day. Furthermore, the OC will provide departure shuttle buses on Sunday, April 8, only. Please note that teams arriving prior to April 3, or leaving after April 8, will be responsible for all transportation charges

### Event shuttle

The official hotel, the main arena and the practice rink are in the same building complex and therefore transportation is not necessary.





## ACCREDITATION

All ISU Office Holders, Referees, Judges, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data and Video Operators, Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials, Team Medical Staff, Coaches and Partner or Relative to an Official taking part in the event must register upon arrival at the official hotel – The Quality Hotel Globe.

There will be two accreditation centers:

- **Quality Hotel Globe** for ISU and Teams in the Accreditation Room, Tuesday, April 3 - 09.00 until Thursday, April 6.
- **Main Arena** for Media, TV & Volunteers and late arriving teams and guests, from Sunday, April 1 - 09.00 until Saturday, April 7.

Exact operating hours to be confirmed in accordance with the arrival schedule.

**In order to make the accreditation process faster and smoother for your convenience, we kindly ask you to contact the OC to pre-arrange an appointment for accreditation.**



# PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

Tuesday, April 3	All day	Arrival and Accreditation
Wednesday, April 4	All day	Free Practice
	10.00	Team Leaders Meeting
	11.15	Medical Meeting
	16.00	Technical Panel Meeting
	20.00	Skaters Meeting
	20.00	Coaches Meeting
Thursday, April 5	All day	Free Practice
	14.45	Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting
	15.30	Initial Judges Meeting
	17.30	Opening & Draw Ceremony
	21.30	ISU and Judges Dinner
Friday, April 6		Official Practice
	17.30	Official Opening on Ice
	18.00	Competition – Short Program
Saturday, April 7		Official Practice
	14.30	Competition – Free Skating Group B
	17.00	Competition – Free Skating Group A
		Victory Ceremony
	20.15	Technical Panel Review Meeting
	TBD	Farewell Dinner (Skating Family)
Sunday, April 8	08.00	Judges Round Table Discussion
	All day	Departure

# MEAL SERVICE

## Teams

All accredited persons that do not receive meal vouchers from the Organizing Committee need to pre-order their lunches and dinners. The Teams, Coaches and Team officials are encouraged to utilize the meal service negotiated by the Organizing Committee. The use of the services is upon Teams' discretion and at their own cost. The price for lunch or dinner is 250 SEK.

## ISU Event Officials and Judges

The judges and other ISU competition officials entitled to the full board will receive vouchers for daily meals. Breakfast, lunch and dinner (or late dinner) are served at the Quality Hotel Globe. Meals will be served in buffet style. On the day of evening events the persons provided with the meal tickets may choose either dinner or late dinner. The serving for the both buffet will be equal.

## Meal times

Breakfast:	06:00-10:00
Lunch:	11:30-15:00
Dinner:	18:00-22:00
Late dinner:	22:30-00:30 (only Friday, April 6)

The meals will consist of three optional main courses to choose from; meat, fish and vegetarian with pasta, rice or potatoes including a salad buffet, fresh fruit and beverage.

If you have lost a meal ticket, you will have to buy a new ticket at your own expense.

The OC will sell meal tickets to other accredited persons. Price: Lunch or dinner 250 SEK per person.

# DEADLINES

## 21. SUMMARY OF DEADLINES

Forms	DUE DATE	ORS	or Form
Preliminary Entry Form	October 2, 2017	X	
Accommodation Request	October 2, 2017	X	
Entry Form for Judges	March 14, 2018	X	
Composition of Delegation	March 14, 2018	X	
Entry Form Teams	March 14, 2018	X	
Travel Form	March 14, 2018	X	
Hotel Rooming List	March 14, 2018	X	
Press Information	March 14, 2018		X (Form 01)
Competition Music Information	March 14, 2018		X (Form 02)
Planned Program Content	March 14, 2018		X (Form 03)
Skaters Health Care Form	March 14, 2018		X (Form 04)
Team Meal Plan	March 14, 2018		X (Form 06)

# EVENT TICKETS

For all information regarding tickets please visit our website:  
[www.skatesweden.se/en/wssc2018/](http://www.skatesweden.se/en/wssc2018/)

For Q&A regarding tickets:  
[synchroworlds2018@skatesweden.se](mailto:synchroworlds2018@skatesweden.se)

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## USEFUL INFORMATION

### Climate

In April, Stockholm is in springtime and the temperature is usually around 5°C. It is daylight for approximately 6 hours a day and the weather changes quickly.

### Currency

Swedish kronor (SEK)= 1 krona =100 öre  
August 2014, 1 Euro (EUR) = 9.61 Swedish kronor (SEK)  
1 Swedish krona (SEK) 0,10 = Euro (EUR)

### Credit cards

All major credit cards are accepted in Sweden. Most hotels, shops, restaurants and taxi accept VISA and Master Card. American express may not be accepted in some cases.

### VAT

VAT is always included in the price presented to the customers/guests in shops, hotels, restaurants etc. Tipping in restaurants is not mandatory, but 5-10 % is customary if you receive good service.

### Banks

Usually open from 10:00 – 15:00 Monday to Friday. Saturday and Sunday closed.

### Electricity

Electrical sockets are 220-240 V AC 50 Hz, using 2 pin plug.

### Various facts about Sweden

Population	9.6 million
Language	Swedish (virtually all Swedes speak English.)
Constitution	Constitutional Monarchy
Prime Minister	Stefan Löfven (2017)
Capital	Stockholm
Currency	1 krona=100 öre
EU	Sweden has been a member since 1995
Major Industries	IT and electronics, pulp and paper, environmental techniques pharmaceuticals, automotive, music, design and fashion





Above left: View from the City Hall. Above right: Inside the Royal Castle. Left: The Vasa museum. Middle: Fotografiska museum. Right: The ABBA museum.

## WHILE IN STOCKHOLM – PLACES TO VISIT AND THINGS TO DO

**ABBA, The Museum** is more than an ordinary museum. Naturally, the members' costumes, gold records, original items, memorabilia, and much, much more are here. But at this museum you are an important part of the experience! We simply want you to experience the feeling of being the 5th ABBA member. [www.abbamuseum.se](http://www.abbamuseum.se)

**Fotografiska** is one of the world's largest meeting places for contemporary photography. Fotografiska presents four unique large exhibitions and about 20 smaller exhibitions annually. [www.fotografiska.eu](http://www.fotografiska.eu)

**The Vasa Museum** is the only preserved seventeenth-century ship in the world, and a unique art treasure. More than 95 percent of the ship is original, and it is decorated with hundreds of carved sculptures. The 69 meter-long warship Vasa sank on its maiden voyage in the middle of Stockholm in 1628, and was salvaged 333 years later in 1961. Today the Vasa Museum is the most visited museum in Scandinavia, with

over one million visitors a year. Tours of the museum take place every day. [www.vasamuseet.se](http://www.vasamuseet.se)

**City Hall**, with its spire featuring the golden Three Crowns, is one of the most famous silhouettes in Stockholm. Guided tours are available all year round. The City Hall is built from eight million bricks, and the 106 meter tall tower has the three crowns, which is the Swedish national coat of arms, at its apex. The great Nobel banquet is also held in City Hall. After dinner in Blå hallen, the Blue Hall, Nobel Prize recipients, royalty and guests dance in Gyllene salen, the Golden Hall, with its 18 million gold mosaic tiles. The Closing Reception Dinner will be held here. [www.stockholm.se/OmStockholm/Stadshuset](http://www.stockholm.se/OmStockholm/Stadshuset)

**Gamla Stan, the Old City** is one of the largest and best preserved medieval city centers in Europe, and one of the foremost attractions in Stockholm. This is where Stockholm was founded in 1252. All of Gamla Stan and the adjacent island of Riddarholmen are like a living pedestrian-friendly museum



Left: Nordiska Kompaniet (NK). Above right: Inside the Sky View from the Ericsson Globe. Middle: The Old Town and the Royal Castle. Right: Svenskt Tenn, Josef Franks Manhattan pattern on a platter.

full of sights, attractions, restaurants, cafés, bars and places to shop. Gamla Stan is also popular with aficionados of handicrafts, curios and souvenirs. [www.stockholmgamlastan.se](http://www.stockholmgamlastan.se)

**The Royal Palace.** Welcome to one of the largest palaces in Europe! The Royal Palace is the official residence of His Majesty the King of Sweden, with over 600 rooms. The Palace is open to the public and offers no less than five museums. The Palace was largely built during the eighteenth century in the Italian Baroque style, on the spot where the "Tre Kronor" castle burned down in 1697. While there make sure not to miss the parade of soldiers and the daily changing of the guard. [www.kungahuset.se](http://www.kungahuset.se)

**SkyView** is the new world-class attraction that takes you to the top of the world's largest spherical building, the Ericsson Globe, a Stockholm landmark. From the apex 130 meters (425 feet) above sea level, you get a fantastic view encompassing all of Stockholm. The two SkyView gondolas depart every 10 minutes, and the entire visit takes about 30 minutes. [www.stockholmlive.com/skyview/om-skyview](http://www.stockholmlive.com/skyview/om-skyview)

## Svenskt Tenn

In October 1924, Svenskt Tenn opens its doors and is today a world famous interior business. "Made in Sweden" has always been and will always be highly regarded at Svenskt Tenn. Basically the entire range is manufactured in Sweden. Eighty per cent of Svenskt Tenn's range consists of products that are of its own design. Josef Frank alone left behind 2,000 furniture sketches and about 160 textile designs. The store also has furniture and other objects by some of the most skilled designers and craftsmen of our time. [www.svenskttenn.se/en/](http://www.svenskttenn.se/en/)

**Shopping**, this is the place for affordable shopping, especially of the young and trendy variety. Drottninggatan and the area between Sergels Torg and Kungsträdgården are full of apparel brands. They also share the area with large shopping temples and classic Stockholm department stores such as Åhlens City and NK (Nordiska kompaniet). There are several H&M stores and other large chain stores in the nearby area. Close to Stureplan we have Biblioteksgatan a shopping street with lots of luxury brands. [www.visitstockholm.com/see-do/shopping](http://www.visitstockholm.com/see-do/shopping)





Above left: Sturehof and their herring-plate. Above right: Grilled meat at Tolv Stockholm restaurants. Far left: Fikatime with kanelbulle (cinnamonrolls). Left: Swedish meatballs. Right: Meal at O'Learys. Far right: Matbaren interior.

## WHERE AND WHAT TO EAT

**Go for a "fika"** is a very Swedish thing. Though untranslatable, it basically means to meet up for a coffee and a piece of cake or pastry. Sweden enjoys a highly developed culture when it comes to baked goods, and everywhere in Stockholm you'll find cafés and cake shops brimming with atmosphere, character and quality, whether traditional or contemporary-creative.

### Restaurants

Stockholm's restaurant scene is a melting pot of flavours from around the world, but of course the best of Swedish cuisine is served as well, often in contemporary interpretations.

Here you will find carefully prepared ingredients such as game, fish and shellfish, and the best that Swedish farms have to offer. Desserts often incorporate Swedes' traditional and beloved blueberries, lingonberries and cloudberries. Select a dish with the flavors of the Swedish sea or forest, or enjoy herring, salmon and many other delicacies - and Swedish meatballs, of course! [www.visitstockholm.com/eat--drink](http://www.visitstockholm.com/eat--drink)

### Sturehof

Classic brasserie and social stage at Stureplan in the center of Stockholm's entertainment precinct. Swedish cuisine with international influences. Several bars. [www.sturehof.com](http://www.sturehof.com)

### Matbaren

Enjoy a visit to Mathias Dahlgren's Guide Michelin awarded restaurant Matbaren. A modern bistro, located at the famous five star Grand Hôtel. A visit to Mathias Dahlgren is a gastronomic event for those interested in exclusive simplicity in a relaxed, comfortable environment with a friendly atmosphere. A cuisine based on natural produce and natural taste – the natural cuisine. [www.mdghs.se/matbaren](http://www.mdghs.se/matbaren)

### The Ericsson Globe the entertainment district

The entertainment district centered around the Ericsson Globe is the largest and most important of its kind in Scandinavia. In addition to arenas, it includes hotel, office and shopping facilities and entertainment area underneath Tele2 Arena. Underneath Tele 2 Arena, you will find Tolv Stockholm with bars and restaurants [www.tolvstockholm.se](http://www.tolvstockholm.se)



