

ARCHIPELAGO ISLAND HOP

TRIP LENGTH: 6 Days

ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

Sailing x 5 days

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Sea kayaking/Hiking

Cycling/Horse riding

DAYS OF DEPARTURE:

Off high season only

PRICE:

On request.

Depends on size and specification of boat



BRIEF ITINERARY

Day 1:

Transfer from Stockholm to Saltsjö-Duvnäs

Sail from Saltsjö-Duvnäs to Dalarö
o/n Dalarö

Day 2:

Sail from Dalarö to Sandhamn via Grinda

o/n Sandhamn

Day 3:

Sail from Sandhamn to Fjärdlång via Bullerö Nature Reserve

o/n Fjärdlång

Day 4:

Sail from Fjärdlång to Utö

Activities on Utö:
Cycling, hiking, sea kayaking, horse riding

o/n Utö

Day 5:

Sail from Utö to Tyresö

o/n Tyresö

Day 6:

Sail from Tyresö to Saltsjö-Duvnäs
Transfer from Saltsjö-Duvnäs to Stockholm

FULL ITINERARY

Day 1: Saltsjö-Duvnäs → Dalarö

ARCHIPELAGO ISLAND HOP starts with a transfer to Saltsjö-Duvnäs, a small harbour just 15 minutes drive from Stockholm centre. Here you pick up your yacht and your journey begins.* Sail through just some of the 24,000 islands within the Baltic waters that make up this world famous archipelago as you cling to the coastline making your way to Dalarö, an old customs station that developed into a popular resort town in the latter part of the 19th century due to its picturesque location and charming village. Russian troops

set fire to the entire town in 1719, sparing only the church that stands to this day. Here you will have some free time to explore the picturesque narrow streets of colourful wooden houses, swim from the white beaches of Schweizerdalen, pay a visit to the beautiful 15th century church or visit the Archipelago museum. You spend the evening on board your yacht in the charming marina.

Sailing Distance: approx 12NM, 3hrs

Accommodation: Dalarö, Onboard the yacht

Meals: None

Day 2: Dalarö → Sandhamn

Watch the archipelago change from the tightly clustered islands of the inner archipelago to the isolated, tranquil islands that dot the outer reaches of the archipelago. You can stop off at one of the remote islands, most of which are only accessible by private boat, and enjoy a hard earned lunch. After lunch, you continue your journey across the Baltic waters to Sandhamn, which as the name suggests is an island that consists of sand and more sand. Sandhamn is perhaps best known as a place for swimming and international sailing. Its beaches boast long

Day 2 cont.:

stretches of white sand and in high season the marina is alive with activity. Enjoy both as you spend the evening on board your yacht in the charming marina.

Sailing Distance: approx 25NM, 5hrs

Accommodation: Sandhamn, Onboard the yacht

Meals: Breakfast & Lunch

Day 3: Sandhamn → Fjärdlång

After a night on the yacht, you wake up to another day of fresh air and sea breeze as you make your way from Sandhamn to the island of Bullerö, a nature reserve surrounded by protected waters. Enjoy the calm waters as you practice your sailing skills and experience the unique wildlife and birds that frequent these island paradises. The rest of the day is spent sailing around the nature reserve before heading on to Fjärdlång island. Fjärdlång could not be more remote and the whole island has been deservedly declared a nature reserve. Once you arrive, you can rent rowing boats or kayaks if you want to get a little closer to the water and row over to one of the islets in the Fjärdlång waters. Marked footpaths also wind their way through the island's woodland up to the islands highest point, Tysta Klint, where you can admire the spectacular views across the whole archipelago. Along the way, there are plenty of opportunities to swim in the clean, fresh water from the smooth cliffs so characteristic of the archipelago rocks.

Sailing Distance: approx 18NM, 4hrs

Accommodation: Fjärdlång, Onboard the yacht

Meals: Breakfast

Day 4: Fjärdlång → Utö

This morning, you continue your sailing trip the short way to Utö island, across another beautiful stretch of outer archipelago, where you arrive for lunch. Utö is a holiday island visited by Stockholmers for its Nature Reserve, exceptional beaches and history. It offers a wealth of activities from sea kayaking on the calm waters around Utö island to guided fishing trips out into deeper waters searching for pike, perch and salmon. Back on Utö itself, the iron mine was worked as early as the 1100s and today both the mine and the museum are open to visitors. Or else you can hike or cycle the many trails through forests and open country, stopping to enjoy the smooth waterside rocks, white sandy beaches and breathe the fresh, pure archipelago air.

Sailing Distance: approx 10NM, 2½ hrs

Accommodation: Utö, Onboard the yacht

Meals: Breakfast

Day 5: Utö → Tyresö

Today you have the long and beautiful sailing journey back towards Stockholm during which you will pass island after island, each with their own charm and character. In addition as you near Stockholm, you sail past the impressive houses of the rich and famous which line the sea shores and boast spectacular views across the endless archipelago. En route you stop by the impressive Tyresö Manor House, **an imposing manor house dating back to the 17th century boasting impressive waterside English gardens. Take a stroll through the gardens or across to the nearby small islands with wonderful views across the sea and forests** and enjoy your

TRIP COST INCLUDES

Accommodation:

Sailing boat x 5

Activities

Sailing x 5 days

Meals

Breakfast x 5

Lunch x 1

Transfers

Stockholm/Saltsjö-Duvnäs (Day 1)

Saltsjö-Duvnäs/Stockholm (Day 6)

Information pack

Including detailed trail routes in English, maps, contact number, local area information etc
Nordic Trails representative
Full trip briefing
24hr emergency service

Total cost

On request.

Depends on size and selection of boat

Day 5 cont.:

dinner in the highly regarded restaurant located within the manor house.

Sailing Distance: approx 20NM, 4½ hrs

Accommodation: Stockholm, Onboard the yacht

Meals: Breakfast

Day 6: Tyresö → Saltsjö-Duvnäs

After the short sail back to Saltsjö-Duvnäs where you say farewell to your boat, you are transferred back to Stockholm where you are free to enjoy your day. The Vasa Museum, one of Stockholm's most revered museums, home to the Vasa ship. The Vasa sank on its maiden voyage on 1628 and was salvaged from the depths of Stockholm's harbour in 1961. Despite over 300 years lying at the bottom of the Baltic, the Vasa is extremely well preserved thanks to the Baltic's brackish waters. From here you can chose to visit Skansen, an open-air museum and zoo, where you have your best chance at spotting a moose! A stone's throw away is the Royal Castle where Sweden's kings and queens have resided since the 1200's and as well as an interesting insight into the history of Sweden's popular royal family, the views are magnificent.

Sailing Distance: approx 5NM, 1hr

Meals: Breakfast

***The yacht will be sized according to how many of you are traveling together.**