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Drop anchor in Karlskrona, the city founded in 1680, when Charles XI decided to build the country's new naval base here. 340 years later, the naval base remains, and the well-preserved architecture and city plan impressed Unesco, which gave Karlskrona World Heritage status in 1998. Wherever you go, you can see magnificent churches and squares, parade streets and fortifications that attract visitors from all over the world. All this on several islands in an archipelago that Unesco has designated as one of seven biosphere reserves in Sweden.

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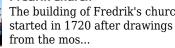
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There is no end of things worth doing and seeing in Karlskona. Stroll the streets and experience the town's modern-day pulse blended with its historical spirit, a fantastic combination of past and present. The flagship of Karlskrona's attractions is The Naval Museum.

Stortorget



Stortorget, the largest square in Karlskrona, stands proudly at the heart of Trossö island, forming the central hub of the city. This grand

square, perched on the island's highest point, is surrounded by monumental buildings that tell tales of the city's rich history. The centrepiece is the statue of Karl XI, overseeing the bustling paved expanse. Two magnificent churches, Fredrikskyrkan (The Frederick Church) and Trefaldighetskyrkan (The Holy Trinity Church), also known as the German Church, add to the square's allure. Stortorget captivates visitors with its architectural splendour, and the surrounding pedestrian streets feature an array of restaurants and cafés.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona/Håkan Linder Address: Stortorget

Naval Museum



The Naval Museum provides a captivating journey into the intriguing realm of the Swedish Navy. Featuring authentic battleships,

18th-century figureheads, and unique models, the exhibits offer a comprehensive look at Sweden's naval history. A highlight is the underwater tunnel housing a genuine wreck.

Going beyond conventional displays, the museum offers interactive experiences, allowing visitors to fully immerse themselves in the naval world. Step aboard historic vessels, listen to captivating sea tales through audiovisual presentations and engage your senses for an enriching exploration of maritime heritage.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Stumholmen Opening hours: Tue, Thu-Sun 10am-4pm, Wed 10am-7pm, Mon closed Phone: +46 455 35 93 02 Internet: www.marinmuseum.se/en Email: marinmuseum@smtm.se

Karlskrona Archipelago — 1,650 Islands, Islets & Rocks



Karlskrona archipelago is liberating and probably one of the most beautiful places there is. The archipelago of Karlskrona is the southernmost of

Sweden's archipelagos. The whole city is built upon 33 islands. Without the protective ring of large and small islands surrounding the city, King Karl XI, would probably not have chosen Trossö for his new naval base. There are islands, that have from one to 1,500 inhabitants, islands with and without connection to the mainland. Look for your very own favourite spot — and enjoy — because there are plenty of them!

Far out in the eastern archipelago, there are plenty of exciting islands like Inlängan, Utlängan, Stenshamn, Ungskär, and Hästholmen, which offer a charming setting. The character of the islands here differs a lot from the green inner archipelago. Far out to the southeast, lies the island Utklippan. Enjoy the unique environment and look for the seal colony, the seals really enjoy their life here.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona

Kristianopel



Situated approximately 40 km north of Karlskrona, Kristianopel is a charming village that breathes life into a captivating history.

Echoes of bygone eras of strife and conflict resonate through its streets, bearing witness to a time when the border between Denmark and Sweden converged in this very region. The sprawling city wall, stretching for kilometres with formidable bastions, not only served as a protective barrier for inhabitants but stands today as a tangible reminder of the once heavily fortified border.

Founded in the early 1600s by Danish King Christian IV, Kristianopel holds the prestigious title of Scandinavia's first Renaissance city. In this historic village, visitors can explore small shops, inviting restaurants, and a popular café, immersing themselves in its vibrant ambience. For a breathtaking panoramic view, you can walk around parts of the mighty old city wall, offering a unique perspective that captures

Kristianopel's timeless allure.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Kristianopel Internet: www.visitblekinge.se/en/karlskrona/kristianopel

Fredrik Church



The building of Fredrik's church started in 1720 after drawings from the most famous architect at that point in Sweden, Nicodemus Tessin the

Younger. In the spring of 2018, the church was reinvented after extensive renovation. The church is now one of the most modern in Sweden.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona/Andreas Blomlöf Address: Stortorget 3, Karlskrona Opening hours: Daily 10am–6pm Phone: +46 455 33 47 00 Internet: www.svenskakyrkan.se/karlskrona

Brändaholm



Did you know that the most Swedish of all Swedish motifs, and perhaps the most widely distributed, is found in Karlskrona — on tiny

Brändaholm? 43 red cottages with white corners, waving flags, and a bright blue sea. And the motif continues to be spread across the globe as a representation of genuine Swedishness. Come and take a look at the real thing!

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Brändaholm Koloniområde, Dragsövägen, Karlskrona

Nature & Hiking



Whether you're seeking tranquil moments surrounded by nature's wonders or gearing up for an active adventure like running, cycling, or

paddling, Karlskrona offers a plethora of choices. With 25 captivating nature reserves, each showcasing diverse habitats—ranging from archipelago landscapes to mixed forests—Karlskrona's surroundings are a nature lover's dream. Scenic gems like Knösö, Sturkö, Torhamn's udde, and Södra Flymen invite exploration.

Embark on a journey through the heart of nature with ARK56, an extensive network of trails weaving through the enchanting Blekinge archipelago. Whether on foot, kayak, bike, or boat, ARK56 promises a fusion of nature and culture. The network features 13 hubs strategically placed along the trails, such as Hasslö (Garpahamnen), Aspö (Lökanabben), Sturkö (Bredavik), and more, providing not just trails but a holistic experience with amenities, accommodation, and unforgettable moments.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona/Håkan Linder Internet: www.visitkarlskrona.se/en/outdoor

Björkholmen



A stroll around Björkholmen still gives you an insight into how it was in the 18th century. The Björkholmen part of the town can be seen as

the other side of the tracks in relation to the parade buildings of Trossö. This is where the first shipyard workers and tradesmen lived in small, low cottages, that sometimes rested directly on the flat rock. The streets on Björkholmen are named after different types of ships and admirals. Enjoy the view over Saltsösund and passing boats.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Björkholmen

Blekinge Museum



With collected memories and traces of the history of mankind in Blekinge from the past 10,000 years, Blekinge Museum delves into the region's

past, unravelling stories of local trades such as fishing, boat-building, and quarrying. A highlight within its exhibits is Grevagården, an impeccably preserved 18th-century residence adorned with an extensive array of vintage artefacts.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona

Address: Borgmästaregatan 21, Karlskrona Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-4pm, Mon closed Phone: +46 455 30 49 85 Internet: blekingemuseum.se/welcome Email: info@blekingemuseum.se

Kungsholm Fort



This fort has defended the entrance to Karlskrona for more than 300 years. Kungsholms Fort is still operational within the Swedish

defences. The remarkable round harbour has become somewhat of a symbol for Karlskrona's status as a World Heritage site. Exotic plants from all corners of the globe flourish under the protection of the fort's walls. They have been brought here over many years on vessels returning from distant voyages. A museum on

the island depicts the fort's history. There are regular guided tours to Kungsholms Fort during the summer, visits can also be arranged for groups and individuals at other times.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona /Joakim Johansson Address: Tjurkö, Sweden Phone: +46 455 30 34 90

Hoglands Park



Hoglands Park is the flagship among Karlskrona's parks, offering a serene escape in the heart of the city. The park hosts a

charming café and restaurant, where outdoor seating allows patrons to bask in the natural splendour. In the summer, Hoglands Park comes alive with a plethora of events, including lively flea markets, invigorating workout sessions, and more.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Hoglands park

Gamla Örlogsvarvet



Sweden's proudest sailing fleet was created at the Gamla Örlogsvarvet. The old shipyard area forms part of the Karlskrona World Heritage Site,

which is on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Here you will find, among relatively modern buildings, a variety of buildings and technology covering more than 300 years of shipbuilding. The most eye-catching buildings on Lindholmen are the Wasaskjulet, Polhemsdockan, and Repslagarbanan—Sweden's longest wooden building dating from 1692. There is also a tour that takes you to Lindholmen by sea. This shows you Karlskrona from the seaside and takes you out to the former naval yard. You can only visit Lindholmen with a guided tour. During the summer there are regular tours, contact the tourist office to arrange tours at other times.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona/Joakim Johansson Address: Gamla Örlogsvarvet Internet: www.karlskrona.se/orlogsstadenkarlskrona

Drottningskär Citadel



Drottningskär Citadel stands as a testament to Sweden's historical might, with construction predominantly occurring in the late 17th century.

Revered as one of the nation's premier defence structures, this fortress remains remarkably preserved, offering a glimpse into Sweden's past as a formidable power.

Crafted from enduring granite, the large castle encompasses a gun deck, powder magazine, and living quarters, all organised around four bastions named after queens Maria, Christina, Hedvig, and Ulrica.

Although it hasn't played an active role in Swedish defence since 1895, Drottningskär Citadel remains a compelling destination. Accessible year-round via the car ferry to Aspö, visitors can explore this historical gem and immerse themselves in Sweden's military legacy.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona/Håkan Linder Address: Kastellvägen 15, Drottningskär Phone: +46 455 33 90 16

Albinsson & Sjöberg's Car Museum



A haven for automotive enthusiasts, Albinsson & Sjöberg's Car Museum showcases a diverse collection of unique cars that spans a wide range

of eras. In addition to the impressive array of automobiles, the museum boasts an extensive collection of motorcycles, mopeds, and even a vintage boat. For those with a penchant for smaller-scale wonders, there's a captivating display of model cars, toys, and collectable cast watches.

Photo: Albinsson och Sjöbergs bilmuseum Address: Östra Hamngatan 7D, Karlskrona Opening hours: Sat & Sun 11am-4pm Phone: +46 455 36 12 23 Internet: www.fabas.se

DINING



Visit Karlskrona

Try the local delicacies while you're in Karlskona, which, once upon a time had a higher concentration of taverns than anywhere else in the country.

The potato dumplings, called "Kroppkaka" in Swedish, herring sandwiches, or a roasted rye bun called "rågskorpa", are examples of local food. Naturally, all kinds of international food are available in a town like Karlskrona as well.

Montmatre



Long-running and beloved restaurant serving, arguably, the best pizza in town along with other meat, fish, and pasta dishes.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Ronnebygatan 18, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 4pm-10:30pm, Sat 1pm-10:30pm, Sun 1pm-9:30pm Phone: +46 455 31 18 33

Bistro Skeppsgossen



Located on the Naval Museum premises, Bistro Skeppsgossen offers Swedish homemade cooking at its best. Every day, besides "the dish of

the day", a buffet is served with herring, dumplings, mashed potatoes, and fried pork.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Bastionsgatan, Karlskrona Opening hours: Tue-Sun 10am-4pm, Mon closed Phone: +46 455 60 61 62 Internet: bistroskeppsgossen.se

Michelangelo



Michelangelo is an intimate and charming Italian restaurant dedicated to serving authentic Italian cuisine. Rooted in family

traditions and local specialities, the menu features a selection of simple yet carefully crafted dishes, each prepared with the utmost care using high-quality ingredients and regional products.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Ronnebygatan 29, Karlskrona Phone: +46 455 121 95 Internet: www.restaurangmichelangelo.se Email: info@restaurangmichelangelo.se

Sumo Sushi



Popular sushi restaurant serving a wide variety of nigiri pieces and luxurious maki rolls, always prepared to order using the finest locally

sourced ingredients.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Borgmästaregatan 9, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 11am-8pm, Sat noon-8pm, Sun closed Phone: +46 455 133 34 Internet: www.sumosushi.se Email: kontakt@sumosushi.se More Info: At Wachtmeister Galleria

Pinchos



Pinchos is a whimsical circus-themed tapas restaurant dishing up an array of small, flavorful dishes, plus dazzling drinks.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Ronnebygatan 38, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 4pm-10pm, Sat noon-10pm, Sun closed Phone: +46 455 220 02 Internet: www.pinchos.se

Dilkhush Köket



Dilkhush invites you to savour the authentic flavours of traditional Indian cuisine with a touch of wok-inspired delights. This Indian

restaurant offers a diverse menu, showcasing a rich array of dishes prepared with genuine Indian culinary techniques, and the best part, it comes at a reasonable price.

Photo: Dilkhush

Address: Södra Smedjegatan 3, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Thu 11am-9:30pm, Fri 11am-10pm, Sat 1pm-10pm, Sun 1pm-9:30pm Phone: +46 455 230 00 Internet: dilkhush.se

Antonio's



Antonio's is a warm and inviting waterside Italian restaurant serving traditional stone-baked pizzas and fresh pasta, among other Italian

delights with an idyllic view of the Bleking archipelago.

Photo: Antonio's restaurant Address: Borgmästarekajen 34A, Karlskrona Internet: antonios.se Email: ciao@antonios.se

Bistro Utkiken



Perched at the top of Bryggaberget, Karlskrona's highest location, Bistro Utkiken invites you to savour the city's most breathtaking

view while treating yourself to a tasty lunch buffet or a luxurious bistro brunch on Saturdays.

Photo: Bistro Utkiken

Address: Kärleksstigen 7, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Thu 10am-4pm, Fri 10am-3pm, Sat 11:30am-2pm, Sun closed Phone: +46 455 152 52 Internet: bistroutkiken.se Email: info@bistroutkiken.se

CAFÉS



Jonatan Rennemark

Karlskrona has a wonderful café culture. There are cafés in charming backyards, shopping malls, on quaysides, in the countryside or the beautiful archipelago, the choice is yours.

Systrarna Lindqvist



Systrarna Lindqvist is an old-fashioned Swedish café that invites patrons to indulge in the simple pleasures of life. It offers a delightful array of

coffee and tea to accompany their freshly baked delights. The café takes pride in crafting bread and pastries from organic, locally sourced ingredients. Enjoy cinnamon and cardamom buns, cookies, and sandwiches made from their delicious sourdough bread.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Borgmästaregatan 3, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat 10am-2pm, Sun closed Phone: +46 455 156 00 $Internet: www.instagram.com/systrarna_lindqvist$

Waynes Coffee



Serving coffee from Wayne's Coffee's own distinguished brand together with pastries crafted in their very own bakery, the café takes

pride in offering food made from the finest natural ingredients. Whether you're in the mood for a quick and wholesome snack, a leisurely coffee indulgence, or a hearty and delicious lunch, Wayne's Coffee promises a culinary journey defined by quality and satisfaction.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Borgmästaregatan 20, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-7pm, Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 11am-6pm Phone: +46 76 163 67 41 Internet: www.waynescoffee.se/kafe/waynes-karlskrona

Espresso House



Espresso House is the largest coffeehouse chain in the Nordic countries. In addition to an extensive selection of coffee drinks, Espresso

House also offers a tempting array of pastries, wraps, and sandwiches.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Ronnebygatan 45, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-7pm, Sat & Sun 9am-6pm Phone: +46 76 521 92 93 Internet: espressohouse.com/en

Café Gelato



Family-owned café serving light meals, cookies, and creamy Italian ice cream. All fresh and homemade.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Borgmästaregatan 14, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-8pm, Sat 8am-6pm, Sun 9am-6pm Phone: +46 455 181 09

Choco Mania



Choco Mania is a charming, Instagrammable café, beckoning patrons with a delectable array of delights. Indulge in

mouthwatering waffles and crêpes, savour irresistible chocolate treats, or take your time with a nice cup of coffee.

Photo: Choco mania

Address: Landbrogatan 6, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Wed noon-7pm, Thu noon-5:30pm, Fri noon-7pm, Sat noon-6pm, Sun noon-5pm

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



Andreas Blomlöf/Visit Karlskrona

Karlskrona doesn't boast big nightclubs, instead, it offers several smaller pubs and bars, where all spontaneous dance is, of course, welcome. Be sure to try the locally produced beers or get a tour of a microbrewery.

When summer enters the city, the atmosphere is full of music, folklore, and events almost every night.

Stars And Stripes



Stars And Stripes is an American-style steakhouse and bar renowned for serving up generously sized steaks and mouthwatering

hamburgers that promise to satisfy hearty appetites. Immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere while enjoying expertly crafted cocktails, blending classic flavours with a contemporary twist. Dive into the lively ambience during quiz nights, catch thrilling sports action on TV, and dance to the beats of DJs on Fridays.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona

Address: Stortorget 2, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon & Tue 4pm-11pm, Wed & Thu 4pm-midnight, Fri 4pm-3am, Sat noon-3am, Sun noon-9pm Phone: +46 455 152 40 Internet: www.starsnstripes.se/karlskrona

Nivå Bar & Stek



Nivå is a popular bar and steakhouse in central Karlskrona, offering a unique dining experience across three distinct areas. Whether it's the

panoramic view from the glazed veranda

overlooking the main square, the intimate "steak house", or the charming upper floor, Nivå caters to diverse preferences.

The heart of the operation lies in a special charcoal grill oven, infusing dishes with a distinct and savoury flavour. For those with a penchant for exceptional meat, Nivå promises a delightful journey, featuring carefully selected entrecôtes and tender steaks.

Photo: Nivå Karlskrona

Address: Norra Kungsgatan 1, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 5pm-11pm, Sat noon-midnight, Sun closed Phone: +46 455 103 71

Internet: www.niva.nu

The Fox & Anchor



The Fox & Anchor, Karlskrona's only English pub, beckons with a vast array of libations. Choose from an impressive selection of more than 25

draft beers and an extensive variety of bottled brews sourced globally. Whiskey enthusiasts will delight in the diverse collection, featuring a predominant showcase of Scottish single malt, alongside global counterparts.

Revel in the authentic English pub atmosphere

while relishing hearty pub fare. The ambience truly comes alive on Thursday evenings with karaoke and on Saturdays featuring live music.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona Address: Ronnebygatan 38, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Wed 4pm-11pm, Thu 4pm-1am, Fri & Sat 4pm-3am Phone: +46 455 220 02 Internet: www.foxandanchor.se Email: info@foxandanchor.se

Bourbon - Burgers And Lounge



Bourbon is not just a rock lounge; it's a haven for music enthusiasts seeking an eclectic range, from the timeless melodies of the Beatles to the roaring

tunes of Guns N Roses. Revel in the lively atmosphere while enjoying a beer and savouring the speciality of the house—juicy American-style burgers.

Photo: Bourbon

Address: Ronnebygatan 21, Karlskrona Opening hours: Tue 5pm-10pm, Wed-Sat 5pm-1am, Sun & Mon closed Phone: +46 455 35 03 50 Internet: bourbonburgers.se Email: bourbon.burgers1@gmail.com

Vinberga Vinkiosk



Vinberga Vinkiosk is a culinary gem, nestled in the heart of Blekinge and boasting the smallest kitchen in the region. The uniqueness of this

establishment lies in its ever-changing menu, crafted with creativity and passion that mirrors the season and prevailing mood. Indulge in a delightful array of smaller dishes and complement your experience with a selection of

natural wines and expertly crafted cocktails, all subject to the same dynamic changes.

Embracing spontaneity, Vinberga Vinkiosk welcomes visitors without reservations—simply drop by for an unforgettable culinary journey.

Photo: Vinberga Vinkiosk Address: Landbron 1, Karlskrona Opening hours: Wed-Sat 5pm-midnight, Sun-Tue closed Phone: +46 73 504 89 67 Internet: www.vinbergavinkiosk.se Email: vinbergavinkiosk@gmail.com

SHOPPING



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In the centre of Karlskrona — at the heart of the archipelago — you'll find a few shopping arcades, designer shops, delicatessens, art galleries, and market stalls. Many shops are found along and around the two pedestrian streets of Ronnebygatan and Borgmästaregatan. Don't forget to visit the side streets, where you'll come across several unique shops, with "that little extra".

There are over 200 shops and the assortment is varied, with everything from well-known brands and chains to unique, local shops offering a hand-picked selection of goods. Many restaurants and cafés are clustered around Stortorget and the pedestrian streets, but naturally, there are also waterside eateries where you can enjoy your meal or a refreshing drink with an ocean backdrop.

Wachtmeister Galleria



Wachtmeister Galleria is a modern shopping haven and vibrant meeting place in the heart of Blekinge County. Whether you're on the hunt for stylish

apparel or seeking culinary delights, Wachtmeister Galleria caters to diverse tastes.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona/Andreas Blomlöf Address: Borgmästaregatan 13, Karlskrona Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-4pm, Sun noon-4pm Phone: +46 77 011 10 50 Internet: www.wachtmeistergalleria.se Email: wachtmeistergalleria@heimstaden.com

Outside the City Centre



There are further shopping facilities outside Karlskrona's centre. Two major commercial districts, Amiralen and Slottsbacken, offer shops

for the entire family. Restaurants, chemist's shops, home decor, electronics chains and banks are also to be found here.

Photo: Visit Karlskrona/Amiralen

TOURIST INFORMATION



Visit Karlskrona

Airports



The nearest airport to Karlskrona is Ronneby (RNB) Airport, which is 30 km away. Other nearby airports include Ronne (RNN) (120 km),

Malmö (MMX) (155 km), Helsingborg (AGH) (169 km), and Copenhagen (CPH) (193 km).

To find out which buses stop at Ronneby Airport, please visit Blekinge Trafiken's website. Taxi ranks are located on the left outside the arrivals hall.

Photo: Ross Parmly/Unsplash Address: Ronneby Airport, Bredåkravägen 26, Kallinge Phone: +46 10 109 54 00 Internet: www.swedavia.com/ronneby

Taxi



Trossö Taxi: +46 455 410 00 D2 Taxi Karlskrona: +46 455 60 50 50 Taxi 4U Karlskrona: +46 455 30 00 90

Photo: Jan Baborák/unsplash

Pharmacy



Kronans Apotek Landbrogatan 4, Karlskrona +46 77 1 61 26 12 Open Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 10am-3pm, Sun

noon-4pm

Apoteket Wachtmeister Borgmästaregatan 15, Karlskrona +46 77 145 04 50 Open Mon-Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 10am-4pm, Sun closed

Photo: Diana Polekhina/unsplash

Telephone



Country code: +46 Area code: 455

Photo: Wesley Hilario/unsplash

Electricity



220-240V AC, 50Hz

Photo: Mika Baumeister/unsplash

Population 62, 804 (2023)

Currency Swedish SEK/crowns

Opening hours Shops are open Mon–Frid from 10am to 6pm and Sat from 10am to 2pm. Department stores and food shops have generous opening times and are also open on Sundays.

Internet

www.visitkarlskrona.se/en

Newspapers Blekinge Läns Tidning: www.blt.se

Emergency numbers 112

Tourist information Karlskrona Tourist Center Skeppsbrokajen 10, Karlskrona +46 455 30 34 90 Open Mon–Fri 9am–1pm, Sat & Sun closed