



Welcome to the
**WFRS Regional Convention &
Heritage Roses Conference Sweden**
2-6 July, 2024

The Swedish Rose Society is very proud to host a rose experience in the shimmer of the famous Nordic light. In the month of July, the roses are at their most beautiful peak in the Nordic countries and the line between day and night is barely visible.

Pre Tour

June 25 – July 1

Welcome to Finland



The land of 1000 lakes and many unique rose gardens.

Program

Tuesday, June 25

Arrival in Stockholm and boarding ferry to Finland on a night cruise through the archipelago.

Wednesday, June 26

Visit Ruissalo botanical garden in Turku and an archeological exhibition of old Turku.

Thursday, June 27

Sight-seeing in old central Helsinki and visit in private garden Meilahti Rosarium.

Friday, June 28

Visit Hataanpää arboretum and sight-seeing in Tampere. Steam-boat cruise on the lakes.

Saturday, June 29

Transfer to Vaasa. Visit Kvarken World Heritage site. Dinner at Berny's in the archipelago.

Sunday, June 30

Visit Stundars homestead museum and a private rose-garden. Boarding ferry to Stockholm.

Monday, July 1

Arrival in Stockholm and your hotel at Djurgården. City tour and afternoon mingle at Waldemarsudde, the lovely rose garden and art museum of Prince Eugen.



General information

The same bus will be used for the whole trip in Finland.

Weather is usually quite agreeable in the Nordic countries with temperatures around 20 degrees centigrade during the day. Rain showers are possible.



Main Tour

July 2 – July 6

Welcome to Sweden



Friendly and innovative, yet historical, with a beautiful countryside.



We will welcome you to the historic city of Kalmar during the five-day event and make excursions to Skåne and the National Gene Bank, hosting the trials of found roses according to Sweden's Agricultural University in Alnarp.

Also visits at Sofiero in Helsingborg, Solliden Palace and Rosenlund in Jönköping. Take part in lectures with focus on sustainability and how our old roses can tell stories for future generations of rose lovers. In our fascinating Pre tour to Finland with so many lovely and interesting roses and Post tour to Norway you will find amazing rose collections between the lakes, fjords and the mountains.



Program

Tuesday, July 2

Welcome to the medieval city of Kalmar with a Meet & Greet at Kalmar congress center.

Wednesday, July 3

Morning lectures in Kalmar Congress Center. Keynote speaker Lars-Åke Gustavsson presents the POM project.

Visit to Öland. The Swedish Royal family celebrates their summer vacation here and we will visit their beautiful castle

garden. Afternoon Tea and opportunity to experience bright summer evening.

Thursday, July 4

Excursion to Skåne and Agricultural University Alnarp for a visit to the Nordic Gene Bank for Cultural Heritage Roses. Also visit to Fredriksdal Rosarium in Helsingborg. *Alternative program with lectures, guided city & park walks for those who remain in Kalmar.*

Friday, July 5

Visit to Sofiero Castle Garden before departure for Rosenlund Rosarium in Jönköping. Evening at Leisure in Kalmar.

Alternative program for those who stay in Kalmar, excursion to Jönköping.

Saturday, July 6

Closing day with lectures, rose festival at the town square and music event at Kalmar Castle including Gala dinner.

Registration opens on August 25, 2023 – More info at Nordicroses2024.com

Post Tour

Welcome to Norway



July 7 – July 14

A spectacular tour in the land of the fjords with love for nature & roses.

Program

Sunday, July 7

Departure from Kalmar to Gothenburg for visit at "Trädgårdsföreningen" and guided tours in the Rosarium. Evening at leisure.

Monday, July 8

Departure for Oslo. Lunch and visit to the famous Vigeland Sculpture Park. Check-in at amazing Wood Hotel by Frich's in Brumunddal, the tallest wooden building in the world.

Tuesday, July 9

Departure for Ringeby in Gudbrandsdalen where we will visit an old garden with a great collection of old roses as well as Ringeby's famous stave church from the 13th century. Continuing into Norway's fantastic mountain world.

Wednesday, July 10

Departure to Molde, known as Norway's City of Roses since the beginning of the 20th century. Guided tour of the city, check in at Alexandra Hotel.

Thursday, July 11

Departure along the unique fjord landscape to Aalesund, named Norway's most beautiful city with its fine Jugend architecture. Tour of the city and dinner at the famous fish restaurant XL Diner. At midnight we will sail with Hurtigruten to Bergen.

Friday, July 12

Arrival in Bergen, Norway's second largest city and a heritage city. Afternoon at Leisure to enjoy the city with its cozy streets and squares, surrounded by seven mountain peaks.

Saturday, July 13

Excursion with Hardanger fjord cruise to Baroniet Rosendal, a baroque castle that lies between mountains and fjords and has become famous for its rose garden and landscape park. Gondola ride to the skyscraper Ulriken for dinner with a view.

Sunday, July 14

Visit the Arboretum in Milde with Norway's largest collection of roses. With its unique location it is described as one of the world's most beautiful rose gardens. Closing lunch.



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