

Travel Via Baltica Nordica - Sweden

SUMMER 2005

Name of the tour

Blue Highway - Road to adventures

Starting point

Umeå

Ending point:

Mo i Rana

Total length:

470 km

Suitable number of days for the tour:

4-5

Traveling by:

car

Good to know:

Currency is Swedish Crone, Euro and creditcard is acceptable at most places. During summertime, reindeers moves from east to west and like to stay in herds along the road. Black plasticbags on roadsigns means - Watch out for reindeers!

What you can experience:

beautiful sceneries when road is stretching along Umeå River al the way from coust to coust. Start to visit a place called Gammlia in city centre of Umeå. Outdoor museum, showing old buildings, exhibitions, animals and so on. Connected to county museum, sami - exhibitions, picturemuseum, exhibitions with skis etc.. When leaving Umeå, visit Norrfors Salmon stairs 15 km along E12. 120 km from Norrfors along E12 you'll reach Lycksele, also called "city of Lappland". Here you will find Europes northen most situated animalpark. At the animalpark, Santa Claus has his own house, side by side with the animals. If the sun is shining, visit also Lyckseles outdoor swimming area. 90 km from Lycksele, you find a little village called Stensele. The church in Stensele is one of Swedens remained wooden churches. 140 km from Stensele, you'll actually be in the mountain area. Highest peek is 1787 meters over ocean. Skiresort Tärnaby will be you first stop along Blue Highway in this area. This is the village were alpine stars such as Ingemar Stenmark, Anja Pärson and Stig Strand comes from. 20 km from Tärnaby is Hemavan. Another skiresort with many slopes and lifts. In Hemavan you'll be closest to Europes Northenmost Nature Reserve..actually the largest! Kingstrail starts in Hemavan, famous for hikers. Visit also Vindelmountain visitors centre. From Hemavan you drive 70 km along Blue Higway, and then you reach the border to Norway. You'll notice the border because the design on the roadsigns will change. It isn't more complicated. From border to the city of Mo i Rana it is about 30 km. If you drive about 40 km extra you'll reach the atlantic sea and coustline of Norway!! Also, you have been travelling 470 km of Via Baltica Nordica Zone!!



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Where you can stay:

Along Blue Highway you´ll find different kinds of accomodation possibilities! From hotels to hostels and campsites. Depending on what you prefer. Information about accomodation you´ll find throught website www.vasterbotten.net. Good brochure is Summeroutes in the North. Order the brochure throught that webpage. Other websites is www.visitumea.se, www.lycksele.se, www.entrelappland.se, www.tarnaby.se

Where you can eat:

Different kinds of restaurants and places to eat! Some examples with high quality and recommendations; Sävargården in Umeå or restaurant Viktor. Ansia Teepee in Lycksele or Hotel Lapland. Sånninggården or Hemavans Wårdshus in Hemavan Area. Some of them got awards and marks in Guide Michelin.

For more information:

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