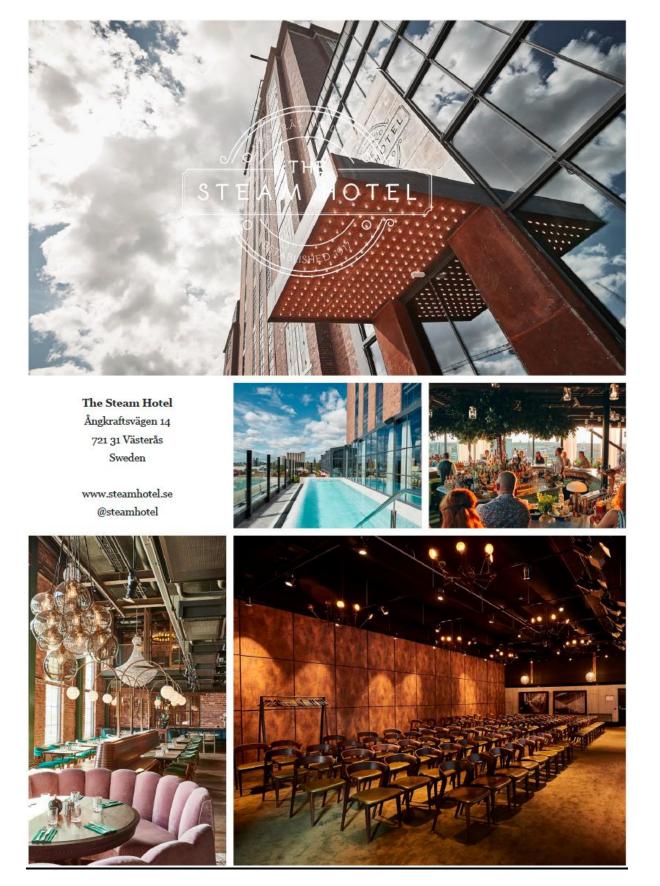
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#### Your destination

Västerås is a city in central Sweden on the shore of Lake Mälaren in the province of Västmanland, located about 100 kilometers west of Stockholm. It is the fifth largest city in Sweden with a population of around 128,000 people. Västerås is an industrial city, with a strong economy based on manufacturing and technology. The city is home to several major companies, including the headquarters of ABB Group, a global leader in electrification products. Västerås is also known for its cultural attractions, including several museums, parks, and lakes, as well as its historic Old Town, which features well-preserved medieval architecture. The city is also a popular destination for sports, with several professional sports teams and facilities for activities such as skiing, sailing, and golfing.

## Getting to Västerås

Arlanda Airport is the main international airport in Sweden, located about 40 kilometers north of Stockholm. There are several options for getting from Arlanda to Västerås:

- **Bus:** Västerås is easily reachable using the Bus4You service: <u>https://www.bus4you.se/</u>. The journey takes a little less than 1 hour and 25 minutes and goes directly from Arlanda airport to Västerås Central Station.
- **Train:** Another quick way to get from Arlanda to Västerås is by train. You can take the fast (18min) ArlandaExpress service from Arlanda Airport to Stockholm Central Train Station: <u>https://www.arlandaexpress.com</u>. From there, you can switch to the intercity train service by SJ that goes to Västerås and takes about 50-55mins: <u>https://www.sj.se</u>.
- **Taxi:** You can take a taxi from Arlanda to Västerås, which takes about 60 minutes, depending on traffic. Remember to ask for a fixed price before leaving with the taxi (instead of using the taxi meter). Even better order your taxi from <a href="https://taxijakt.se">https://taxijakt.se</a> or the related App to get a much better fixed price.
- **Car rental:** Renting a car at Arlanda is another option, which allows you to drive to Västerås at your own pace.

Regardless of the means of transportation you choose, it is advisable to check the schedules and availability beforehand.

#### What to visit?

Västerås has several tourist attractions that are worth visiting, including:

- Västerås Cathedral: A historic cathedral that dates back to the 13th century and is considered one of the finest examples of Gothic architecture in Sweden.
- Lake Mälaren: A scenic lake that is a popular destination for boating, fishing, and swimming.
- Västerås Art Museum: is a museum dedicated to contemporary art and exhibitions, featuring works by both national and international artists. It is for everyone and free entry, located in the middle of the city.
- Västerås Cultural History Museum: A museum showcasing the city's cultural history and traditions, with exhibits on local industries, social life, and daily life.
- Västerås Castle: A medieval castle that now serves as a museum and cultural center, showcasing the city's history and heritage.
- Västerås Science Park: An interactive science park that offers hands-on exhibits and interactive displays for visitors of all ages.
- Stora Torget: The main square in the city center, featuring a weekly market, street performers, and a variety of restaurants and cafes.

## Shopping

Västerås has several shopping centers and malls where you can find a variety of shops, restaurants and other amenities. Some of the most popular shopping centers in the city include:

- Västerås City: A large shopping center located in the center of the city, with a variety of stores, including fashion, electronics, and home goods.
- Punkt Västerås: A modern mall located in the city center, offering a variety of shops, restaurants, and entertainment options.
- Torg Centrum: A shopping center located in the heart of the city, with a mix of fashion stores, supermarkets, and specialty shops.
- Köpmangatan: A pedestrian street located in the center of the city, with a variety of shops, cafes, and restaurants.
- Erikslund Shopping Center: It is one of the largest shopping centers in the region, offering a diverse range of shops, restaurants, and entertainment options. The shopping center can be accessed by bus number 3 from the city center.

More information: https://visitvasteras.se