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Gothenburg, Sweden

Port information

Currency

The currency in Gothenburg is the **Swedish Krona**. Major credit & debit cards are also widely accepted. There are many ATMs in the city of Gothenburg.

Language

The official languages spoken in Sweden is Swedish.

Getting around

Distance to Town Centre

Main Highlights

There are two main cruise terminals for Gothenburg. Please check the Cruise News for further information on the shuttle bus service.

Gothenburg, a major city in Sweden, is situated off the Göta älv river on the country's west coast. Counting more than 500,000 inhabitants, the city still has a relaxed and pleasant atmosphere where most of the things that anyone could wish for can be found within walking distance from the city centre.

An important seaport, it's known for its Dutch-style canals and leafy boulevards like the Avenyn, the city's main thoroughfare, lined with many cafes and shops. And if it isn't, it is sure to be accessible by hopping onboard one of the trams that connect the city's different areas. Gothenburg, in fact, is one of very few Swedish cities where trams are in operation.

While Gothenburg is synonymous with a range of landmarks, one of the most famous is **Liseberg**. Many immediately associate the name with the amusement park, but there is more to Liseberg than rides and attractions. The adjacent gardens make this one of the world's greenest amusement parks, with hundreds of trees, bushes and flowers. The gardens alone merit a visit here.

Close to Liseberg is the **Universeum**, the largest Science Center in Scandinavia, with more than 500,000 visitors each year. While the exhibitions are primarily geared toward children and youngsters, people of all ages will find something here to interest them. Universeum also features a phenomenal aquarium.

Göteborgs botaniska trädgård (Gothenburg's Botanical Garden) is one of the largest of its kind in Europe, covering 175 hectares. The several different areas, all with different themes, attract visitors from near and afar. A combined café and restaurant is located on the premises.

Near the opera house, the world's largest floating **ship museum** is made up of 20 historical crafts, including fishing boats, a light vessel and a firefighter, all linked by walkways. Shin down into the 69m-long submarine *Nordkaparen* for a glimpse into underwater warfare. Inside the labyrinthine 121m-long destroyer *Småland*, in service from 1952 to 1979, hunched figures listen to crackling radio messages, and the bunks look just-slept-in – you half expect to meet uniformed sailors in the dim, twisting passages...

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Gothenburg Art Museum (Göteborgs Konstmuseum), Götaplatsen. Housed in a magnificent edifice flanked by the theater and concert hall, it features a world-class collection of Nordic art. The adjacent Hasselblad Center periodically holds public exhibitions, and the Art Hall (free entrance) features contemporary art. Gothenburg City Museum (Göteborgs Stadsmuseum), Norra Hamngatan 12. Covers the history of the city and region from prehistoric times to the present, with emphasis on the 19th-century Swedish East India Company, which was once housed in the building.

Crown House (Kronhuset), Postgatan. Built in 1643–1655, and briefly home of the Swedish Parliament. It currently houses Göteborgs Musik, and the surrounding buildings are now cafes and crafts workshops.

Buy shrimps at Feskekôrka The "Fish Church"; it is a fish market hall completed in 1874 to a design by the city architect, Viktor von Gegerfeldt. And yes, it does actually look like a church.

Laid out in 1842, the lush Trädgårdsföreningen is a large protected area off Nya Allén. Full of flowers and tiny cafes, it's popular for lunchtime escapes and is home to Europe's largest **rosarium**, with around 2500 varieties. The gracious 19th-century **Palmhuset** (open 10.00-20.00) is a bite-size version of the Crystal Palace in London, with five differently heated halls: look out for the impressive camellia collection and the 2m-wide tropical lily pads.

Saluhall Briggen - This covered market will have you drooling over its bounty of fresh bread, cheeses, quiches, seafood and ethnic treats.

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Essential information

Tourist information

There are two tourist information offices in central Gothenburg - one in the Nordstan shopping center (next to the central train station) and one on Kungsportsplatsen about ten minutes walk

Internet access

Many cafes and restaurants in Gothenburg offer WiFi access.

Shopping

PLEASE NOTE: As with all tourist destinations please keep a close eye on valuables Nordstan is Sweden's largest mall and is located directly across from the main railway station. Kungsportsavenyen or Avenyen is the city's main boulevard stretching from the bridge to the Poseiden Statue. You can find outdoor cafes and restaurants along the riverfront by the city center.

Avenyn is an institution in the city: Shopping, night clubs, cafés, restaurants, galleries and more can be found in and around this main street.

Your Destination Services team would like to wish you an enjoyable day in Gothenburg.