

Our flight to Sweden 2022 with Mathilda, TL 3000 Sirius

In June 2022 we took the chance and spend our vacation in Sweden. Two weeks were planned, but due to the weather it was a shorter trip. Every day was worth it!

The first day we flew from our homebase **EDNM** (Nittenau-Bruck) to **ESMS** (Malmö International Airport).

720 km / 5:00 hours flight-time.



We made a stopover for refueling in Anklam (EDCA).

Anklam is the birthplace of Otto Lilienthal. He was a German aviation pioneer and considered to be the first person to successfully and repeatably perform gliding flights with a flying apparatus.



Then we passed Rügen, flew across the Baltig Sea and it didn't take a long time, till we reached Sweden.

We had to fly in a holding pattern until three airliners had landed in front of us, then we got the clearance to land.

After landing we followed the "follow me" car to the parking position 21.



We unloaded our luggage and were taken by security to the main building.

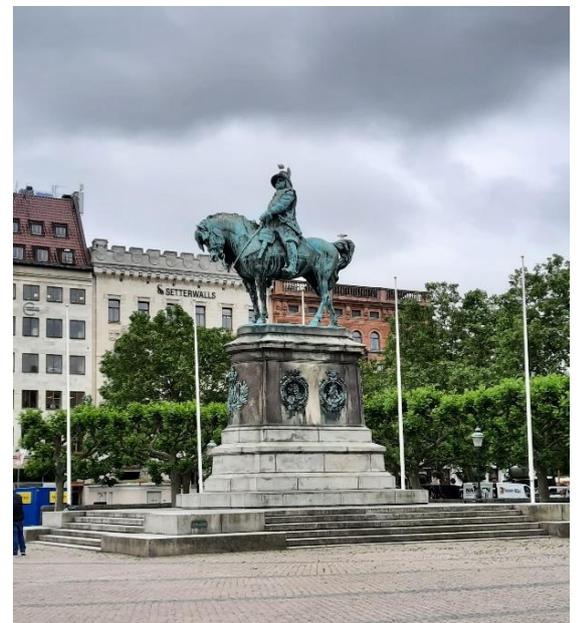


Then we took the airport bus to downtown Malmö.

After 45 minutes of driving we reached the bus stop at the city center.

Malmö is the third largest city in Sweden and is located on Sweden's southern tip opposite Copenhagen in Denmark. It is one of Scandinavia's most diverse cities. Skyscrapers tower over centuries-old squares, and nondescript brick facades house art treasures with modern and classical works. This incredible city captured our heart and made us want to come back again.





Next flight from **ESMS** (Malmö International Airport) to **ESSW** (Västervik).
315 km / 1:47 hours flight-time.





VÄSTERVIKS
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Welcome to

Västerviks flygplats

Västervik Airport ESSW

Västervik is a town in the Swedish province of Kalmar län and the historical province of Smaland.

It is nicknamed the "Pearl of the East Coast"

The city is a popular destination for tourists, especially in the summer.



This time we went to the city by cab. It took a while until we were picked up. So we had time to look around the airport and take a sip out of our water bottle.





Västervik is a small town by the sea with about 21.000 inhabitants.

In German, this name means "western bay", this also shows the earlier spelling "Westervik".

Low fishermans houses and quaint alleys characterize the townscape of Västervik - they are to some extent the landmark.



The next day we went on a day trip by ferry to one of the about 5000 islands.



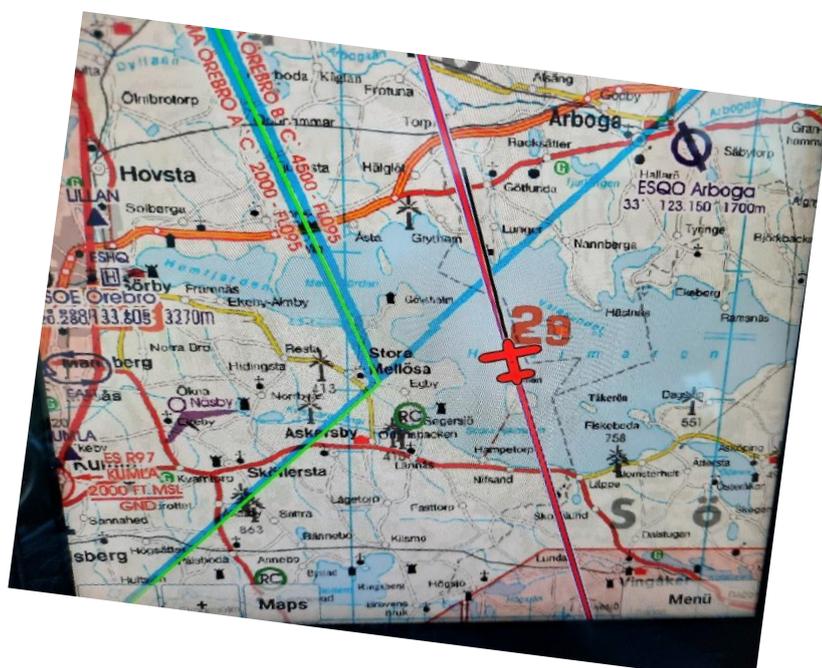


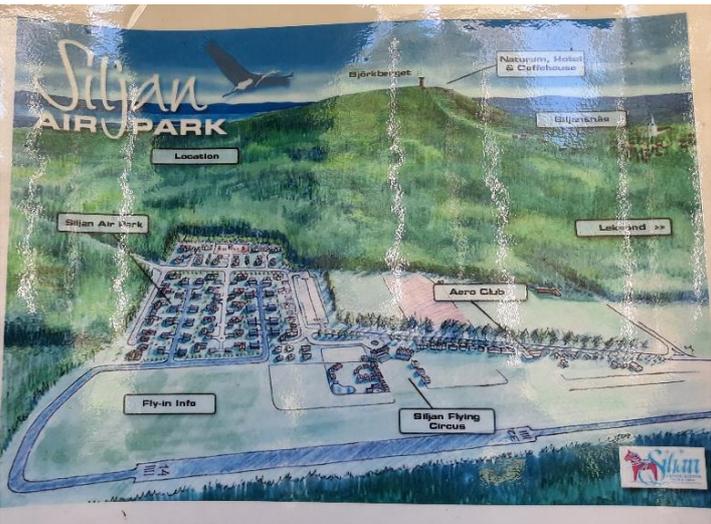
Here you can find a lot of other tourists, also the countryside with meadows and cows and the typical smalandic forests that you know from Astrid Lindgren stories.

Vimmerby, where she was born and grew up, is after all only 60 km away from Västervik.



Next cross country flight from **ESSW** (Västervik) to **ESVS** (Siljansnas) .
348 km / 1:50 hours flight-time.





We had previously contacted the flying club to ensure the overnight stay, as well as refueling. An old information said, that there are rental cars available at the place - which turned out to be wrong. A club member provided us with his car, so we were able to circle the lake next day.

The clubhouse is large, foreshadowing the earlier activities. The club, like many others, has problems with finding new young members and the facility is in a slumber.

With the AirPark, close to the clubhouse, a couple of pilots live their dream about parking their private airplane on the driveway. The work started in 2006 and in August 2009 the AirPark was formally inaugurated after the final work with the taxiways had been completed. It was the first airpark in northern Europe!



Lake Siljan is Swedens sixth largest lake. On its shores are well-known towns of Siljansnäs: Leksland, Rättvik, Tällberg and Mora. The Siljan was formed by a meteorite impact 365 million years ago. The impact measures about 50 km in diameter. Everything below swept to the top.



If you like Swedish crispbread, you should stop by Leksand Knäcke! There is a outlet store near to the town, where it is also produced. It was totally crowded... you can also buy crispbread tins, food from the region, souvenirs and some handcraft items from the area around Leksand.





On Midsummer's Eve, a tree trunk decorated with green leaves and flowers is erected: The Midsummer pole. People dance around it in a circle and various game dances are common. One of these dance songs is about frogs and the dancers imitate their movements while dancing.



The weather changed and we decided to fly back. The forecast predicted strong winds, so we got up early and took off at 6:30 local time. From **ESVS** (Siljansnas) to **EDME** (Eslöv).
556 km / 3:59 hours flight-time.





Eslöv is a small town about 30 km north of Malmö and a good starting point to visit the city of Lund. About 20 minutes takes the train ride to the city center.

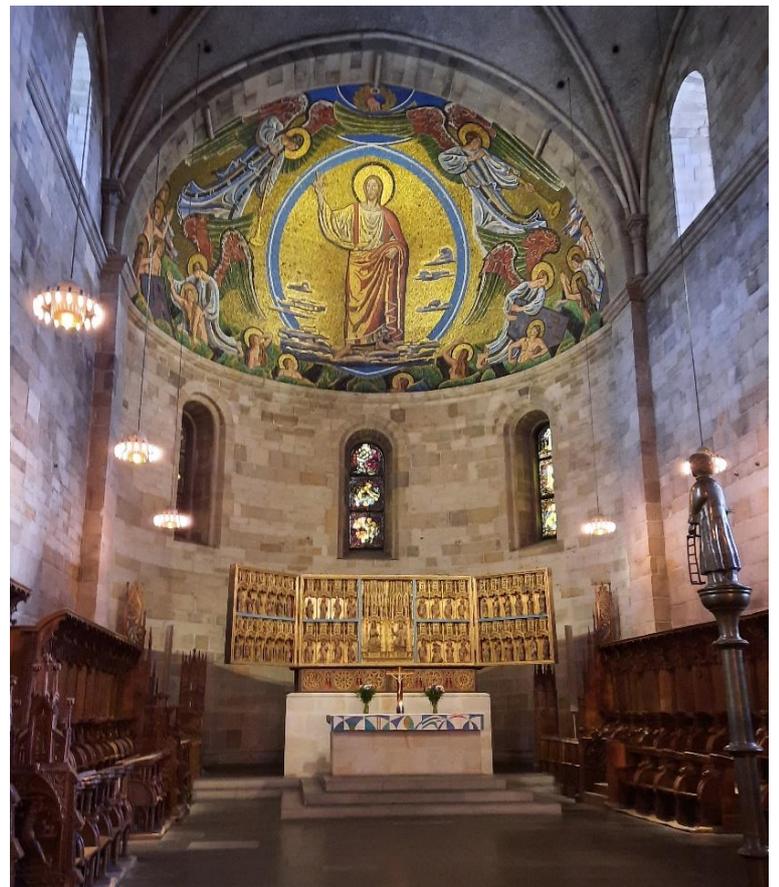
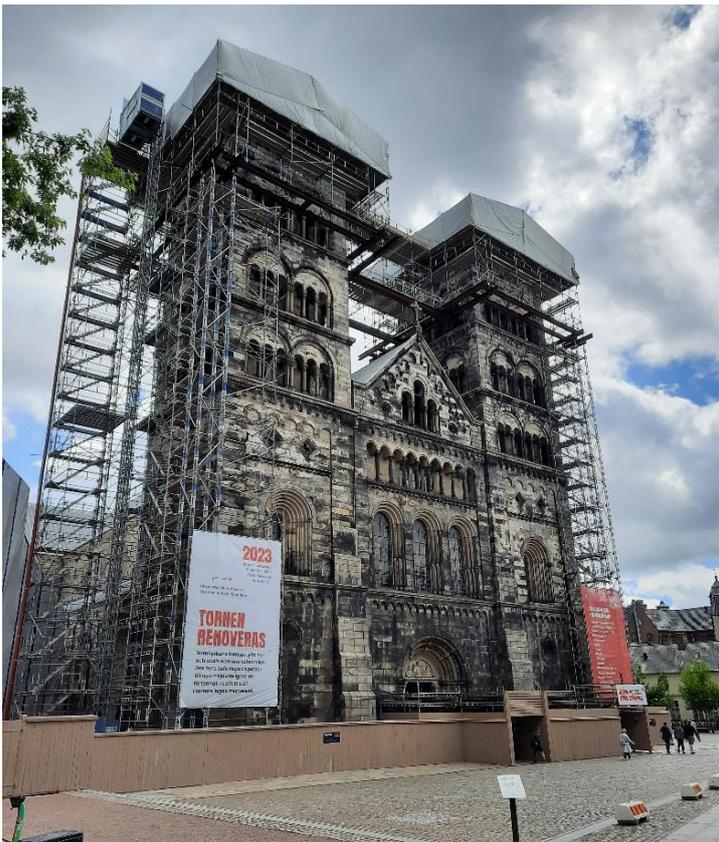


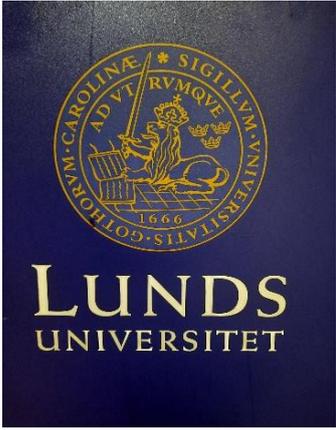
Lund is full of contrast. In addition to charming cobblestone streets and half-timbered houses, you'll find some of the most innovative companies and research centers in the world.

With its thousand-year history, Lund is one of Sweden's oldest cities. The impressive 12th century cathedral and the world-famous 17th-century university not only shape the cityscape, but continue to influence the atmosphere of the city to this day.

The city's nearly 50,000 local and international students make for a lively culture and gastronomic scene. Lund University is internationally renowned not only for its academic achievements, but also for its wide range of student activities and initiatives. Some of Sweden's best actors, comedians and musicians began their careers as students at Lund.

The cathedral

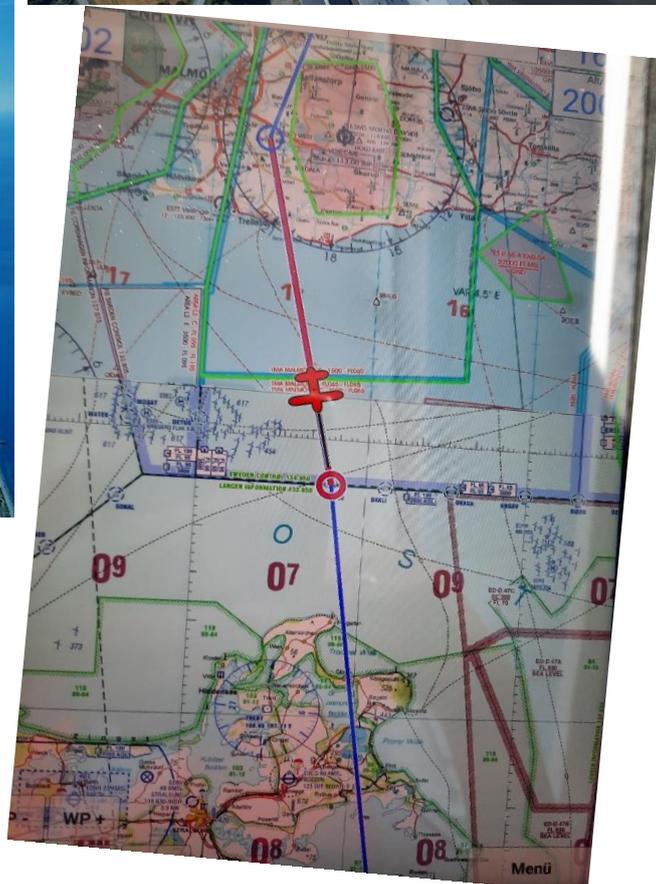






Our last night in Sweden, time to say good bye.

The next morning we refueled and then headed back across the Baltic Sea to Anklam. The weather forecast was perfect: Little wind, no clouds. From **EDME** (Eslöv) to **EDCA** (Anklam) . 223 km / 1:22 hours flight-time.



The original plan was to stay overnight in Anklam. We checked the weather forecast again and saw, that it would be overcast the next day and a high risk to be stocked there for the next couple of days.

So we decided to continue the flight to our homebase.

From **EDCA** (Anklam) to **EDNM** (Nittenau-Bruck).

520 km / 3:57 hours flight-time.



At the beginning the weather wasn't too bad, but after a while the FIS told us we have to watch out, because at the Erzgebirge and Thuringian Forest the clouds are up. We flew as close as possible, but as safely as necessary via Kassel and Haßfurt to EDNM.





Back again where the journey started!

We stayed eight nights in Sweden,
flew 2.682 km in 17:55 hours.

Still we are very satisfied with our
Mathilda - never felt unsecure,
it's the perfect airplane for long
cross country flights.

All three of us are looking forward
to the next adventure!!