

## SOUTH BALTIC SEA DREAMTOUR: WORLD OF FISH(ERMEN)

### ***THE CONCEPT: LEARNING - FISHING - EATING***

You are kindly invited to learn (more) about fish, the profession of fishermen, about different techniques to catch fish and finally to enjoy fish, both as simple everyday food or as culinary delicacy.

This tour of experience will lead you around the South Baltic Sea: starting in Greifswald, via Swinoujscie, Kolobrzeg and Gdynia, by ferry to Karlskrona in Sweden, Kristianstad, Ystad, Helsingborg and Trelleborg, and back by ferry from Ystad to the Island of Rügen in Germany and finally to Greifswald again.

The topic “**learning**” comprises all aspects of the species fish as well as the education in the activities of angling. The topic “**fishing**” offers the option to try to catch various kinds of fish by yourself at different angling hotspots and finally the topic “**eating**” will guide you to exciting restaurants with delicious fish dishes.

Besides, you will have the opportunities to enjoy beautiful coastal landscapes, learn more about nature and further regional products and traditions and relax at different beaches.

**Welcome to the “World of Salmon and Herring” in the South Baltic Sea.**

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Happy angler with magnificent salmon, *Simrishamn*, © *Rohdin*



Herring season - fishermen at work (*Baabe, Isle of Ruegen*), © *Freddie Bijkerk*



Traditional fish cuisine: Fish bun with frightened herring, © *Freddie Bijkerk*

### DESCRIPTION OF TOUR

There are three areas for thematic activities of the Dream tour

- The **Polish coastline** from Swinoujscie, Kolobrzeg to Gdynia and many small places on the way – in a wide variety of fishery related themes as well as regionally specific traditions.
- The **Swedish coastline** from Karlskrona, Kristianstad, to Ystad, Helsingborg, Falsterbo, Trelleborg and Smygehuk – in a wide variety of fishery related themes as well as regionally specific traditions.
- The **German Island of Rügen**, Hanseatic Cities of Stralsund and Greifswald and coastline to direction Isle of Usedom – in a wide variety of fishery related themes as well as regionally specific traditions.

Besides, three complementary additional sustainable tourism activities are selected:

- 1) **Sightseeing** Karlskrona and Stralsund – sites of UNESCO world heriDaye
- 2) **Hiking** and enjoying nature in the National Parks Jasmund, Wolin and at Szczecin Lagoon
- 3) **Relaxing** at the beaches of Glowe, Binz (Rügen), Kröslin by sunbathing and swimming.

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<i><b>Schedule &amp; Activities</b></i>	
Day 1	<p><b>Greifswald - Swinoujscie / Karsibor</b></p> <p>The tour starts in Greifswald. A small bus (8 persons + driver) serves as general means of transport. First stop is planned in Swinoujscie to visit the Museum of Sea Fishing. A walk along the coastline leads to the famous landmark of Swinoujscie – a light house in the shape of a wind mill. An angling trip by catamaran in the “Land of 44 islands” around Karsibor enables views into the scenic landscape and the catch of fresh fish. Finally, Polish fish cuisine can be tested in a special fish cuisine restaurant in Karsibor.</p>
Day 2	<p><b>Swinoujscie / Karsibor - Kolobrzeg</b></p> <p>From the viewpoint “Grodzisko” - a historical place - you may enjoy the most beautiful view of the Swina gate. In Wolin National Park in Miedzyzdroje is time for a walk and for getting to know another species of former regional inhabitants: wisents. In Trzesacz you can find the ruin of a 15<sup>th</sup> century church directly at the cliff, a good example of sea abrasion. The related heart-warming story about a fisherman and his wife you can follow in the nearby multimedia museum. Niechorze is a traditional fishermen village with a fishery harbour and a 48 m high lighthouse, the landmark of Niechorze. For accommodation are rooms ordered in a hotel in the health resort Kolobrzeg, located at the seaside.</p>
Day 3	<p><b>Kolobrzeg - Gdynia</b></p> <p>Kolobrzeg is not only an important health resort, but has also one of the most important fishery harbours with many manufacturing companies and fish selling points. In Ustka a visit to a small company is planned where fishing nets are produced and repaired. Lunch is served in the garden of a special restaurant in the countryside: It’s all about herring – including a small museum and lots of delicious dishes. On the way to Gdynia a short visit to Slowinski National Park is on the agenda, before checking in at the overnight-ferry to Karlskrona. But before sleeping you may participate in a workshop on how to prepare “Baltic Sea Sushi”, offered by chefs from the ferry line.</p>
Day 4	<p><b>Karlskrona - Kristianstad</b></p> <p>You can’t leave Karlskrona without visiting the nice city center, the small, former houses of fishermen and at least to have a look at the Marine museum. Next stop is Mörrum – a well-known location for salmon anglers, including needed equipment and infrastructure as well as a Salmon museum. After a short tour through Karlshamns harbour area, the next station is Kristianstad where -among others- it is a must to walk through the Visitor centre of the Biosphere reserve. Overnight stay is planned in Kristianstad.</p>

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Day 5	<p><b>Kristianstad - Ahus - Kivik - Kaseberga</b></p> <p>“Fishes must swim” the old fishermen said – that’s why a visit to the “Absolut Museum” (Absolut Wodka) in Ahus is indispensable. Another interesting point is the “Apple house” in Kivik – the most important place of production and manufacturing of apples in Sweden. Not to forget the excellent culinary services, e.g. phantastic apple cake. Another traditional fishery village (now inhabited by artists) and a local fishery museum can be visited in Brantevik. In Kaseberga it is a must to walk up the cliff to visit “Ales stenar”, a megalithic monument in the shape of a stone ship. It is 67 m long and formed by large boulders. Restaurants in the fishery harbour of Kaseberga offer phantastic meals from fresh or smoked fish.</p>
Day 6	<p><b>Kaseberga - Ystad - Helsingborg</b></p> <p>A sightseeing tour in Ystad shows a beautiful old and culturally rich coastal town. But really famous it became by “Commissioner Wallander”, the well-known character from Kurt Mankell’s crime thrillers and their film versions – although Wallander did never exist, by the way. Near Helsingborg, there is another former fishermen’s village located: RAA: Nowadays it is centre for water tourism, you can find numerous boats in the harbour area, but also a considerable Museum for Fishery and Seafaring and historic boats and equipment.</p>
Day 7	<p><b>Helsingborg - Malmö - Falsterbo</b></p> <p>A sightseeing tour through Malmö should not be missed: the historic city centre and the maritime flair of the coastal area. Of course, you should take a picture from the Öresund bridge to Copenhagen and from the “Turning torso” – a modern, 190 m high residential tower which turns on its own axis by 90°. Nearly the opposite you can see in Falsterbo: very small and differently coloured wooden houses along the white, sandy beaches.</p>
Day 8	<p><b>Falsterbo - Trelleborg - Smygehuk</b></p> <p>Trelleborg has lots of interesting sightseeing points. One of them is the Viking fortress “Trelleborgen” itself, with a related small museum and visitor centre. In the old city centre you can admire architectural testimonies and cultural heritage. And you may walk under palm trees on the way to the big international port. In Smygehuk harbour is the most southern point of Sweden located, with many signs showing the distances to European cities. It’s the opportunity for another time-out for angling and hopefully fresh fish from the grill.</p>

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Day 9	<p><b>Smygehuk - Ystad - Sassnitz - Glowe</b></p> <p>The 17 m high lighthouse of Smygehuk is a tourist attraction, nowadays, and no longer in function. It is Sweden’s southernmost tourist accommodation. In Ystad you should have another cup of coffee and a piece of tasty cake in the nice “Wallander Café” before leaving and checking in at the modern catamaran which only needs 2,5 hours to get you to Sassnitz / Mukran. Of course, you should look around in Sassnitz’ big harbour area and you will find the company “Sassnitzer Kutterfisch” with their fish restaurant and shop, advertising with the “Longest fish counter on the Island of Ruegen”.</p>
Day 10	<p><b>Glowe - Sassnitz - Binz - Putbus</b></p> <p>The best place to see the famous white cliffs of Ruegen is from the waterside. Thus, a guided boat trip from Sassnitz along the coastline will enable passengers to enjoy the scenic landscape. Binz is the most appreciated seaside resort of the Island of Ruegen. You can find the particular wooden style spa architecture, but also fashionable hotels, shops, restaurants and cafes. Putbus is called the “White town” or “Town of roses”. This tradition was originally introduced by “Fürst Malte zu Putbus” in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century – but the tradition has come back, nowadays. Dinner is planned in a special restaurant named “Nautilus”, near Putbus. It is inside built in a submarine style and offers delicious fish cuisine.</p>
Day 11	<p><b>Putbus - Lauterbach - Kröslin</b></p> <p>Lauterbach harbour is a well-known tourist spot where many events like market days or harbour festivals take place. It is a must to enjoy a German “Fischbrötchen” (fish bun), directly sold from the cutter “Berta” and to have a look at the beautiful former bathhouse “Badehaus Goor” owned by Prince Malte which was rebuilt as a hotel, nowadays.</p> <p>Over the longest bridge of Germany with 2.830 m and via Stralsund the way leads to direction Isle of Usedom. But before, an overnight stay is planned in the small village Kröslin, in a floating house in the marina. Time again, to take the fishing rods, to catch a fish and afterwards to celebrate the last evening of the trip with a relaxed barbeque.</p>
Day 12	<p><b>Kröslin - Greifswald</b></p> <p>The trip comes to its end in the University and Hanseatic Town of Greifswald. The last highlight is to try an “innovative fish bun”. A young team created new recipes for “crazy fish buns”, with unexpected ingredients – but customers liked it very much. The team was awarded for this innovation. Then: Time to say “good-bye”!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Then: Time to say „good-bye“ !</i></b></p>

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### *Price and Services*

If group size is 6 travellers, all-inclusive price: 2.500 € per person.

This comprises

- **Tour guide**
- **trip with a minibus with driver**
- **2 ferries: Gdynia (PL) – Karlskrona (SE) and Ystad (SE) – Sassnitz/Mukran (DE)**
- **all overnight stays,  
each in single rooms (double rooms if requested), with breakfast**
- **two customary dinner**
- **all necessary landing fees**

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