



Pilgrimscentrum  
Vadstena

## Never stop exploring

Going on pilgrimage is an age-old method for expressing the attitude of the seeker, a person who longs for meaning and purpose in life.

Moreover you can learn a great deal about the history, geography and culture of the area you are walking through. It is a great adventure to explore the heart of the exterior landscape which has so much to tell about the inner one. A pilgrim does not go walking in order to accomplish something. Instead he wants to improve the quality of his life by tackling his deeper self and basic existential issues.

At various phases in our life we have to make choices about which way to continue and sometimes we find rest and recreation at sorely needed resting places. On our path we will meet people who affect us in different ways.

Pilgrimscentrum in Vadstena is a centre for the pilgrimage movement and a part of the Swedish Church, with ecumenical alignment. Some organized activities can also be possible to attend to. You can stay at Pilgrimscentrum up to five days. They have guesthouse with common bedrooms, some single and double bedrooms are also available. It is a meeting place and a place to rest for people on their way. It is also a workplace and a fellowship for inspiration, recreation and the sharing of life experiences.

### **Pilgrim destinations**

The destination is a metaphor for coming home, home to God and to one's self. In Vadstena the destination is the great Abbey Church, where pilgrims gather regularly for prayer and reflection. There is a special altar for pilgrims, and also the relics of St. Birgitta.

### **The Monastery Trail**

The monastery trail is a name for the pilgrim's route that leads to and the Brigittine Abbey Church Vadstena.

### **The Pilgrim Centre is open all year round.**

Cafeteria, accommodation, information and service only a few steps away from the Abbey Church

### **Opening hours**

Monday-Friday, and through Saturday during the summer.

The café is open 8.20 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Telephone hours: 10 a.m. to 12 a.m.

### **Prayers in the Abbey Church**

Pilgrims' mass at 8 a.m. and liturgy of the hours at 9 a.m. 12 a.m. 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.

Monday through Saturday.

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