

# What to do in the Lake Revsund area

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## **Explore caves**

Visiting a cave is exciting – and sometimes narrow. Be careful and never go caving alone. Make sure you have plenty of torches and don't touch any loose stones. Caving is done at your own risk.

**Hållbergsgrottan** is a small but interesting cave, about three kilometres south of Pilgrimstad. The cave is 11 metres long and it was apparently the home of an outlaw during the 1420s. But other signs of life have also been found here in the form of a flagon that dates back to 1500s.

**Källbergsgrottan** is one of longest bedrock caves in the country stretching 160 metres in crawling distance. Be careful here as the entrance is steep and sometimes icy. Inside the cave there is a so-called "high hall" with an ice lake. Further in is the so-called "pancake hall" and just as the name suggests, the roof is lower here. Källbergsgrottan is about 1.5 kilometres to the west of Hunge.

**Strångbergsgrottan** is a long bedrock cave with a crawling distance of 510 metres. There are many entrances into the cave, most of which are narrow, but one of them goes straight through the mountain and is somewhat more spacious. It can be difficult to get through Strångbergsgrottan cave. Follow the road signs towards Gullboviken from Hunge, and from the last farmstead in Strången it is a 45-minute hike to the cave.

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# Get active at Äventyrsberget in Gällö

Keep your skiing going all year with a ski in the world's longest **ski tunnel** inside a mountain that maintains a year-round temperature of minus four degrees. There are good tracks for both classic and skate cross-country skiing. You can also rent and try out a **moonbike**, the first fully electric snow bike in the world.

Don't miss the **high-rope course** which has three courses where you can climb, balance and try the zipline amongst the tree-tops. It's perfect for those who love the high life, but it's also suitable if you have a fear of heights. Play and have fun at the right level for you.

The mountain is also perfect if you like hiking. Go for a walk up to the outlook and enjoy the view. There's a barbeque tent as well as a teepee for a much-needed snack break. You can also enjoy the view from the water by paddling out on Revsundssjön lake in a canoe, a kayak or on a SUP.

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## Climb aboard the Alma af Stafre steam boat

One of Sweden's oldest and still active steam boats, Alma af Stafre, is moored in the harbour in Stavre. She operates on Revundssjön lake in the summertime, according to a set timetable. A tour takes about two hours, including guiding, entertainment and refreshments.

http://www.ss-alma.se/

# Go for a dip

There are loads of possibilities for those who fancy a swim while in Lake Revsund. If you add up all the lakes in Bräcke municipality, you'll land at a total of 700. There are plenty of sandy beaches in the area, in particular around **Revsundssjön lake**. **Forsaleden** is another popular destination for bathers. You can swim in the deep lagoon with its turquoise water, wade in the streams and sunbathe on the cliffs. If you'd rather go swimming from a pier, try the Viken quay, not far from Äventyrsberget in Gällö.

Give your endorphins a real kick with a **winter dip**. Go for a refreshing dip in Revsundssjön lake. There is no official place for winter bathing, so you need to ask around.









#### Visit historic sites and museums

There's plenty of history and remnants from times of old in the area. Findings suggest that humans have lived here for 5000 years. But it isn't only people that have roamed around the area. In 1994, large mammoth bones were found in Pilgrimstad where the Hållborgsåns river flows into Revsundssjön lake.

In recent years, various museums have been established in different places in the area. There's something fun for everyone. Go to <a href="https://www.brackenasta.se/se-gora/sevardheter/historia">https://www.brackenasta.se/se-gora/sevardheter/historia</a> for up-to-date tips on the museums and sites that are open.

# Go downhill skiing

Not far from the E14 in Gällö you'll find **Mickelbacken** ski area with its two lifts and five descents. It also has a rail park, a big jump and a ski cross course. Mickelbacken is a paradise for families with children, couples and also groups of friends who want a pleasant day out on the slopes.

**Svedjebacken's** ski area is located four kilometres outside of Kälärne. It has three descents and one lift. Just perfect for enjoying the early spring sun from behind your skiing goggles.

# Go cross-country skiing

The local sports associations and Bräcke municipality run four illuminated skiing tracks: In Bräcke, the track starts at Hembygdsgården or Bromyran, in Gällo it starts at Torpets recreational area, in Kälärne there a track that starts at Ånäset, and if you want to ski in Pilgrimstad the track starts from Biskopvallen. More information from each association is available at www.bracke.se.

We can also recommend Flåsviksrundan loop that is prepared on Revsundssjön lake by the Swedish Outdoor Association and the local snowmobile club. The track starts in Flåsviken behind the train station in Gällö and is about nine kilometres long. For the current status of tracks go to:

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#### **Snowmobile**

It's hard to beat the sense of freedom you get on a snowmobile, and you won't be the only person interested in snowmobiles in this area. There are around 600 kilometres of snowmobile tracks to explore in Bräcke municipality, some of which continue on to Ånge and Åkersjön, to name a few examples. Buy a snowmobile map through one of the snowmobile clubs or in a sports and fishing shop.

You'll find more information about tracks and snowmobile rentals here: <a href="https://www.brackenasta.se/se--gora/aventyr/fart-och-flakt">https://www.brackenasta.se/se--gora/aventyr/fart-och-flakt</a>

# **Dancing Northern Lights**

Have you ever experienced the Northern Lights? Such a magical spectacle that dances across the clear, dark, winter sky. You have really good chances of seeing the Northern Lights from here. Warm clothes and patience are two of the keys to success. There's a host of different apps and websites, of varying quality, that provide Northern Lights forecasts. Try the "Aurora" app that shows where the Northern Lights might appear and sends you notifications on when there are greatest chances of seeing them.

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Do you like winter bathing? Then you have plenty of options for a refreshing dip in Revsundssjön lake. Ask around to find an ice hole that has been opened up.

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What do you fancy doing today? There's something for everyone in the Lake Revsund area. If you like speed and excitement, you can visit Äventyrsberget in Gällö and go downhill or cross-country skiing. Or why not ride a snowmobile to explore some of the many snowmobile tracks around.









In summertime, Revsundssjön lake is popular for those who fancy a swim, as is the popular Forsaleden with its turquoise water. For more water-based adventures, you can go for a tour on the old Alma af Stavre steam boat which leaves from the quay in Stavre.

For a somewhat quieter experience, you can visit one of the many museums and historical sites. And there's even three caves here: Hållbergsgrottan, Källbergsgrottan and Strångbergsgrottan caves that all vary in size and level of difficulty. Please be careful though, a





