

# LULEÅ

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*Fishing in Luleå*



# ALWAYS A FISHING WATER WITHIN REACH

*The summer sun sets down by the restaurants of Luleå's north harbour. You order a classic Kalix vendace roe starter, to celebrate something. The waiter tells you that you can also order fried vendace today, known in Finnish as muikku, and something of a national dish. The vendace, *Coregonus albula* in Latin, is a small salmonid fish which gives us the amazing vendace roe, and also Norrbotten's official county fish. Since 2010, Kalix vendace roe has been an item with protected designation of origin, such as Parma ham, Stilton cheese and champagne. All very suitable for a beautiful evening such as this.*

It is only natural to think of fish and fishing in a city like Luleå. The city was actually founded because of the valuable salmon. Today, the moving of other cities in the area rightly attracts a lot of attention, but 300 years ago, the city of Luleå had already moved, all for the sake of the salmon. Land uplift made it difficult for the crown's ships to collect the valuable fish in what is now Gammelstad, meaning that Luleå had to move. The salmon, the silver of the Lule River, was a cornerstone of the Swedish economy. The revenue it generated funded

Uppsala University, among other things. Today, fishing on the river is not what it once was, although salmon and trout are still caught here. However, there are even better opportunities to catch pike and perch. If you are looking for a wild salmon river, the Rånne River is a beautiful option, also offering magnificent pike fishing, and opportunities to catch wild river crayfish in the autumn. Around the city of Luleå, you will find many well maintained fishing waters, both for families and enthusiasts. Lake Hertsöträsket has been adapted for accessibility, to provide a good fishing experience for those with wheelchairs or prams as well. Luleå was not just founded on fish, it is also a place for those who like to fish. Just as you could expect from a city on the coast of the Gulf of Bothnia.












**GOOD TO KNOW** Carefully check that you are fishing on licenced waters, with the proper licences. Respect local regulations, such as the maximum number of fish, minimum measurements and salmon gill tags. More information available at [fiskekort.se](http://fiskekort.se) and local businesses.

**GAME FISHING** has an annual turnover of two billion SEK in Sweden, and is one of the most popular leisure activities.

**FISHERMEN DO NOT LEAVE THEIR CATCH** on the beach. Unless you intend to take the fish home and cook it, please return it to the water alive.

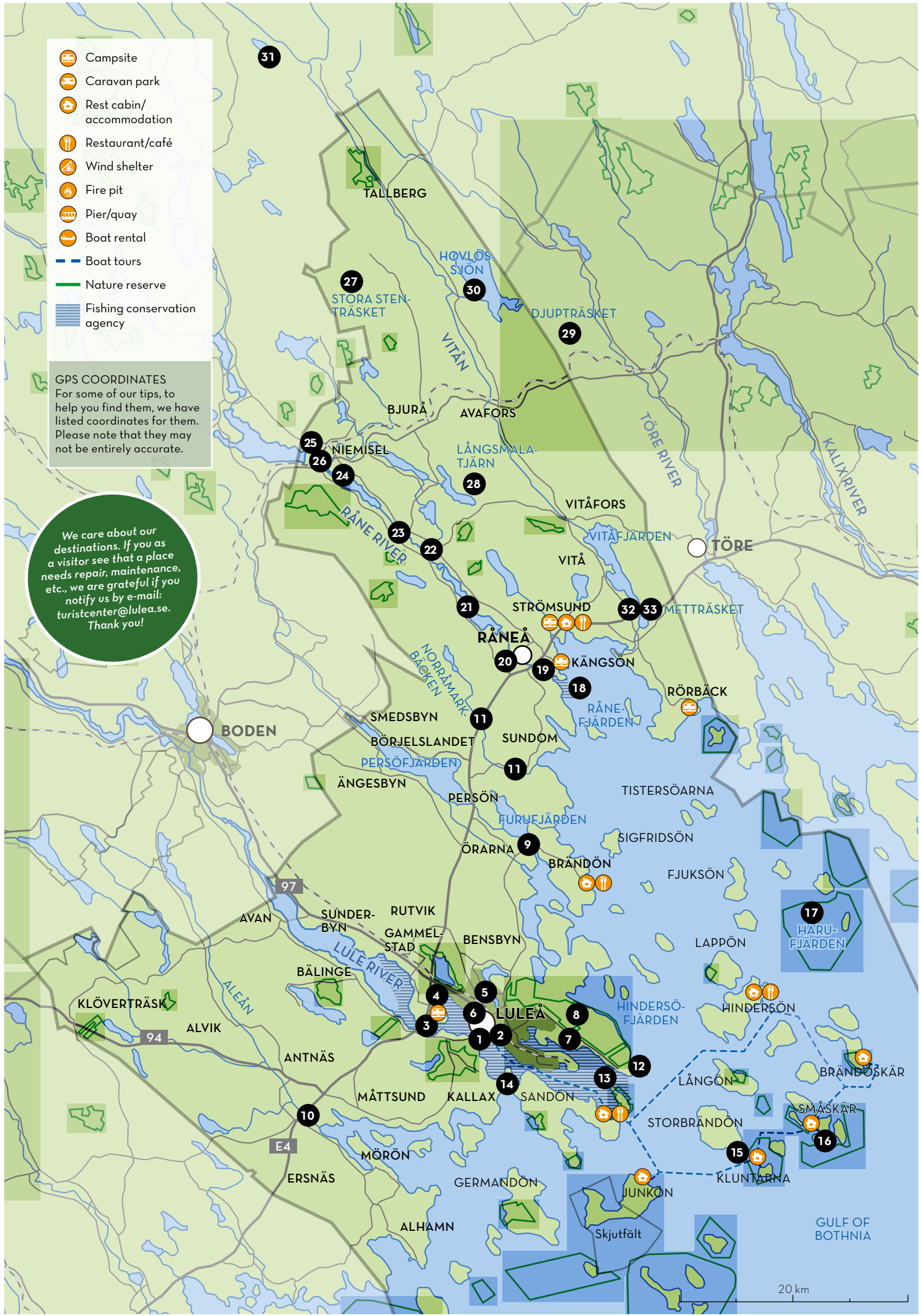
**DO NOT BE SURPRISED** if someone wishes you "skitfiske!" (literally "crappy fishing!"). In game fishing circles, it's a way to wish people good luck without jinxing it. So, skitfiske to all of you out there!



-  Campsite
-  Caravan park
-  Rest cabin/ accommodation
-  Restaurant/café
-  Wind shelter
-  Fire pit
-  Pier/quay
-  Boat rental
-  Boat tours
-  Nature reserve
-  Fishing conservation agency

**GPS COORDINATES**  
 For some of our tips, to help you find them, we have listed coordinates for them. Please note that they may not be entirely accurate.

We care about our destinations. If you as a visitor see that a place needs repair, maintenance, etc., we are grateful if you notify us by e-mail: [turistcenter@lulea.se](mailto:turistcenter@lulea.se). Thank you!



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## FISHING SPOTS IN LULEÅ

### 1. SÖDRA HAMNPLAN, THE QUAY

Right by the crane, where the boat tours depart. Södra hamn and Stadsfjärden are good places to fish for perch. Fishing from the quay, you have a depth of 4-6 metres. Perch, pike, bream, whitefish and ide.

### 2. ETTANS BÅTHAMN

in Södra hamn. The outer piers at Sjöstad offer a depth of approx. 4 metres, with good opportunities for perch. Rod and spin fishing.

### 3. GÄDDVIKSSTRÖMMEN

The last stream before the mighty Lule River meets the sea is Gäddviksströmmen. Both the south and north banks are good for fishing. Sea trout swim upriver in the spring and the autumn. In summer, there is also salmon in the river. Pike, perch, whitefish and grayling can be found here as well.

### 4. TYSKMAGASINEN KARLSVIK

2-3 metres deep when fishing from the quay. Pike, perch, roach, bream, whitefish and ide.

### 5. THE CITY LAKES

Spread out between several of Luleå's residential areas are cut-off former bays, Skurholmsfjärden, Björskatafjärden and Björsbyfjärden were turned into lakes by land uplift. These waters, close to the city, are very pleasant and accessible places to fish. Here, you will find pike, perch, roach and ide.

### 6. THE ROAD BANK BETWEEN MJÖLKUDDEN AND THE CITY CENTRE

Up to 4 metres deep. Pike, perch, roach, bream, whitefish and ide.

### 7. FIREFIGHTER TRAINING GROUNDS, HERTSÖN

1-2 metres deep when fishing from the quay. Good spot for classic rod fishing. Pike, perch, roach, bream, whitefish and ide.

### 8. HERTSÖTRÄSK

Arctic char and rainbow trout have been introduced into the lake, where you will also find pike and perch. Hiking trails, rest cabins and wind shelters. Accessible.

### 9. THE ÖRARNA CANALS

By the Örarne sawmill, going from the sea into Furufjärden. Spin and rod fishing. Perch, pike and roach are the most common catches.

### 10. ALEÅN

By route E4, before Ersnäs. Spin and rod fishing are good methods. You can catch pike, perch, roach etc.

### 11. NORRÅMARKBÄCKEN

Between Börjelslandet and Råneå, going north, there is space for parking. Close to route E4 you will find a calm stretch of water. You can also follow the brook some 500 metres upstream, to a fire pit. If you approach stealthily, you may spot a beaver. The same brook then runs out into a large, calm stretch under the road bank leading to Gussögården. Spin and rod fishing. Pike and perch.

## FISHING SPOTS IN THE ARCHIPELAGO

### 12. KÄLKHOLMEN (MAINLAND)

Opportunities for good sea trout fishing in spring and autumn. Look for it in shallow bays with onshore wind.

### 13. ALTAPPEN

Easily accessible by small boat or kayak from the Lövsjär harbour, with great perch fishing opportunities. We recommend the north-western tip.

### 14. TJUVHOLMSSUNDET

One of the natural mouths of the Lule River. In addition to pike and perch, you have good chances of catching sea trout. Fishing from land is possible here.

### 15. STORBRÄNDÖN & KLUNTARNA

Plenty of grayling and sea trout along the beaches. Sikrevet and Sikhällan are two renowned grayling spots, located between the islands.

### 16. SMÅSKÄR AND FINNSKÄR

A fishing paradise with countless shallows, capes and bays, holding plenty of grayling, trout, perch and pike.

### 17. HARUFJÄRDEN

Grayling is found near all the islands of the archipelago, but Harufjärden is the best spot.

### 18. THE WATERS OFF THE MOUTH OF THE RÅNE RIVER

are known for their strong pike populations. Really large fish are often caught here.

## FISHING SPOTS ON THE RÅNE RIVER

### 19. THE RIVER MOUTH

### 20. AROUND ANDHOLMEN

### 21. PRÄSTHOLMSFORSEN

The entire section below the Prästholmsforsen rapids out to the first islands has large pike and perch. Fishing from land is possible, but it's best done from a boat, below the rapids or on river necks.

### 22. ORRBYN

The bridge at Skravelholmen.

### 23. HASAFORSEN

The south side.

### 24. LILLSTRYCKEN

### 25. NIEMISEL

The bridge at route 356 and Långforsen.

## LAKES WITH INTRODUCED FISH IN THE RÅNE RIVER VALLEY

### 26. MITTITJÄRN

Rainbow trout and trout. Licence/info: Niemisels Livs. Tel: +46(0)924-200 23

### 27. STORA

Trout, arctic char, rainbow trout and perch. storastentrasket.se

### 28. LÅNGSMALATJÄRN

Arctic char, trout and rainbow trout. Info: Råneå library/Infopoint: Tel: +46 (0)920 45 30 00

## LAKES WITH INTRODUCED FISH IN THE VITÅ RIVER VALLEY

### 29. DJUPTRÄSKET

Rainbow trout. Licence/info: vitadalenssk.net/djuptrask

### 30. HOVLÖSSJÖN

Pike, perch, trout, whitefish, burbot, vendace. Info: Råneå library/Infopoint: Tel: +46 (0)920 45 30 00

### 31. RENOTRÄSKET

Game fish, perch, pike. Info: Råneå library/Infopoint: Tel: +46 (0)920 45 30 00

### 32. VITÅFJÄRDEN

has no introduced fish, but is a pike eldorado. You can fish where route E4 crosses Vitåfjärden. Large pike and perch are found throughout these waters and by the river mouth.

### 33. METTRÄSKET

Introduced rainbow trout. Info: Råneå library/Infopoint: Tel: +46 (0)920 45 30 00 <https://jamtensff.se>



Björskatafjärden is one of several accessible fishing spots in Luleå.



Lake Mittitjärn in Niemisel.



You can find more tips on activities in our themed guides to fishing, hiking, cycling and kayaking. Collect one at the tourist information office in Luleå or Boden, or download from [visitlulea.se](http://visitlulea.se) or [bodeninswedishlapland.se](http://bodeninswedishlapland.se).



There are salmonid fish in several lakes.

# FISHING LICENCES AND GILL TAGS

Do not forget your fishing licence! All waters described in this brochure, with the exception of rod fishing at sea, require a fishing licence. Please note that the mouths of the Lule and Råne Rivers are not considered part of the sea, but part of waters requiring fishing licences. It is always the fisher's responsibility to know where they are fishing, what regulations apply and what licence they need.

**FISHING LICENCES** are sold online at [fiskekort.se](http://fiskekort.se). There you will find all the information you need about the season, fishing methods and restrictions. At [visitlulea.se](http://visitlulea.se) there are also current retailers of fishing licenses in Råne äldal and Rånbyn's fishing waters.

**SPECIAL RULES** apply for salmon fishing on the Råne River. In addition to a special salmon fishing licence, you will also need gill tags to retrieve salmon. Read more: [ranealven.se](http://ranealven.se)

**FLY FISHING TIPS:** A white Wolly Bugger is a good all round fly for both sea trout and archipelagic grayling. When fishing for grayling with dry flies, you rarely miss with a Streaking Caddis. Do keep in mind that as water temperatures rise, the fish seek out areas where they can reach deeper, colder water in between their feeding attempts.



Wolly Bugger.

Streaking Caddis.

**GAME FISHING** is an important leisure activity in Sweden. Some 1.6 million\* Swedes go fishing every year. Sportfiskarna is a stakeholder organization for anyone involved in game fishing, and has a regional office in Luleå. They advocate for public access to quality fishing opportunities and work for healthy fish populations in equally healthy waters. Read more and find tips at: [sportfiskarna.se](http://sportfiskarna.se)

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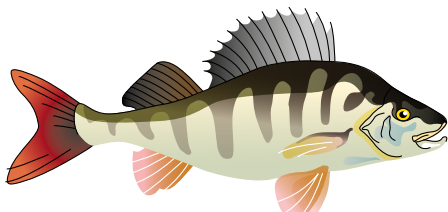


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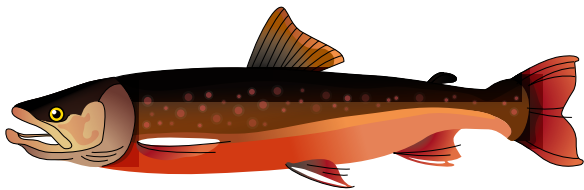


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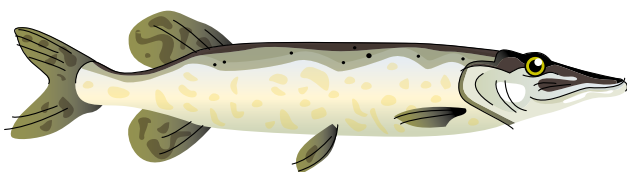
## WHAT TO CATCH IN LULEÅ WATERS



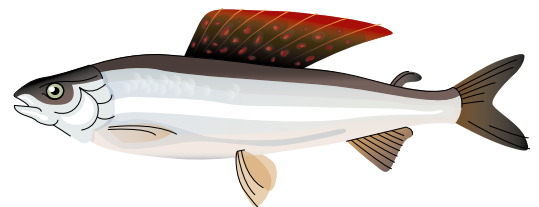
**PERCH** The perch is one of the most common fish in Swedish waters and consequently one of the most popular species amongst fishing enthusiasts. Easily recognisable by the vertical bars across its body, as well as by the red fins and the two dorsal fins, with a spiky one at the front.



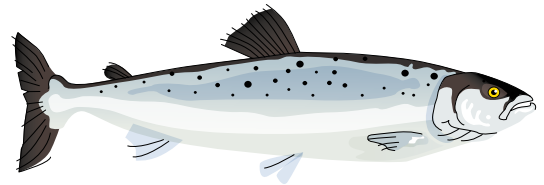
**ARCTIC CHAR** There are several species of arctic char in Sweden. They differ from other salmonid fish with their small scales, light spots on a silvery background and the spectacular red underside they develop during spawning in autumn.



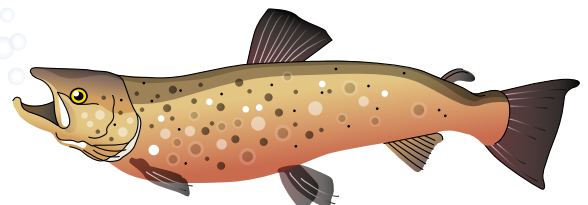
**PIKE** The pike is a long and thin bodied fish with its fins far back and a flat, broad snout. It is an apex predator, whose only natural enemies are other, larger pikes. A pike can eat a fish up to half its own size.



**GRAYLING** The grayling is easily recognisable by its large, tall dorsal fin, which like its tail fin has blue-grey and purple nuances. Its body varies in colour from silvery grey to a dark bronze lustre.



**SALMON** The salmon changes colour throughout the year. It's plain early in the season and the male develops so called nuptial colours for spawning in late summer/ autumn, changing to a golden brown colour.



**TROUT** The trout is a streamlined salmonid fish whose appearance varies a lot as a result of its surrounding environment. This has created a traditional distinction between three types of the same species of trout - sea-run trout, lake-dwelling trout and riverine trout.

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# LULEÅ ARCHIPELAGO

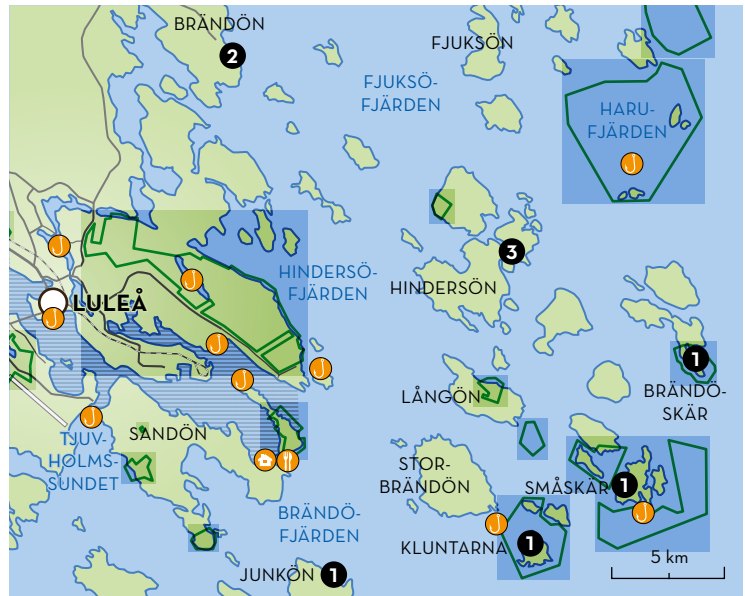


Excellent grayling fishing both in winter and summer.

**THE LULEÅ ARCHIPELAGO** offers interesting fishing opportunities. Here, you will find large pike as well as perch, whitefish, grayling, salmon and sea trout. The archipelago is relatively shallow, with an average depth of nine metres. Fishing from a boat puts you at a major advantage, but there are of course locations in which you can fish from land too.

The outermost islands offer a unique and sometimes barren environment. The border of the outer Luleå and Råneå archipelagos is located by the three characteristic islands of Hamnörarna. Grayling fishing is good in the outer archipelago. From Fjuksön and further on out, you will find grayling, fished with fly or spinner. Grayling fishing is possible all the way out into the outermost archipelago, by the rocky outpost of Båtöharun. These islands are easiest to reach by boat, and there are local companies, offering tours here, info at [visitlulea.se](http://visitlulea.se). When water temperatures are right, sea trout fishing is also good, especially in shallow bays.

The river mouths and shallower waters around some of the islands are best for pike. Outside the river mouth fishing areas, rodd fishing is free, no licence is needed. In winter, opportunities to ice fish for perch, whitefish and grayling are excellent in the archipelago.



## TIPS LULEÅ ARCHIPELAGO:

### 1. RENT A COTTAGE IN THE ARCHIPELAGO

The islands of Junkön, Småskär, Brändöskär and Kluntarna have cottages available for rent. Book via: [lulea.se/skargard](http://lulea.se/skargard)

catering. Sauna available for booking. Café, kiosk, restaurant and activities. [brandokonferens.se](http://brandokonferens.se)

### 2. BRÄNDÖ KONFERENS

Well equipped cottages. Choose between hotel standard and self

### 3. JOPIKGÅRDEN

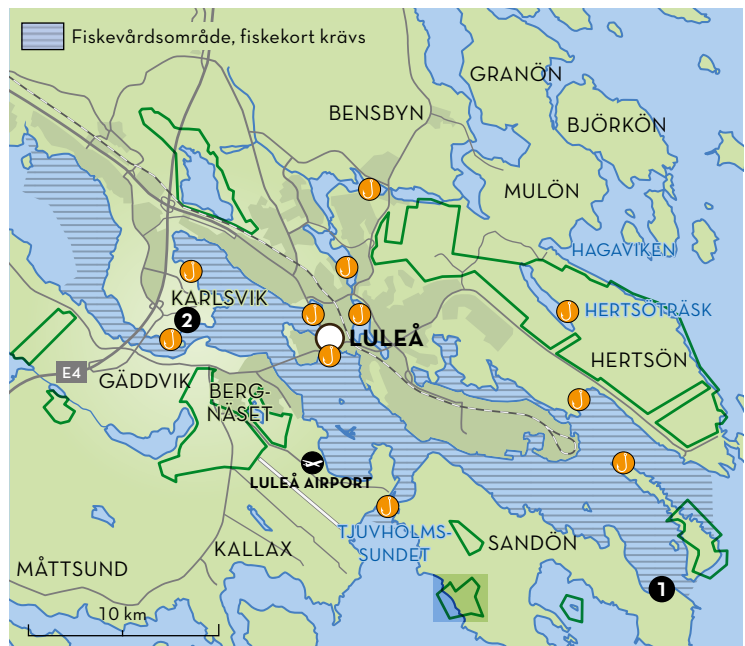
A gem on Hinderjön, with a restaurant and hotel rooms in the main building, and four-bed rooms in Dränglängan. Activities available too. [luleaarchipelago.com](http://luleaarchipelago.com)

# LULE RIVER



Bränneriudden by Gäddviksströmmen - accessible rest stop and fishing spot.

**THE LULE RIVER** begins near the Sulitelma massif on the Norwegian border. With an average discharge of 506 m<sup>3</sup> at its mouth, the Lule River is the second water-richest in Sweden. The Lule River saw early hydroelectric development, and today the 15 power plants on the river account for almost 10 % of Sweden's energy production. The salmon fishing, which made the Lule River famous in medieval times, is now a thing of the past, as the river has been subjected to such extensive hydro-power development. In order to compensate for ruined fishing opportunities, salmon and sea trout travelling up the river are caught with hand nets, downstream from the Boden power plant. These are used in breeding, and the fish are then introduced into the river. That is why Lule River salmon and sea trout can still be caught in the lower part of the river and in the Luleå archipelago.



## TIPS LULEÅ FISHING DISTRICT:

### 1. KLUBBVIKEN

Luleå's sea bath is found on Sandön, near the city. Here, you will find well-equipped cottages, as well as small, simple cabins down by the fairway. Restaurant by the guest harbour. [www.klubbviken.se](http://www.klubbviken.se)

### 2. KOLARENS CAFÉ

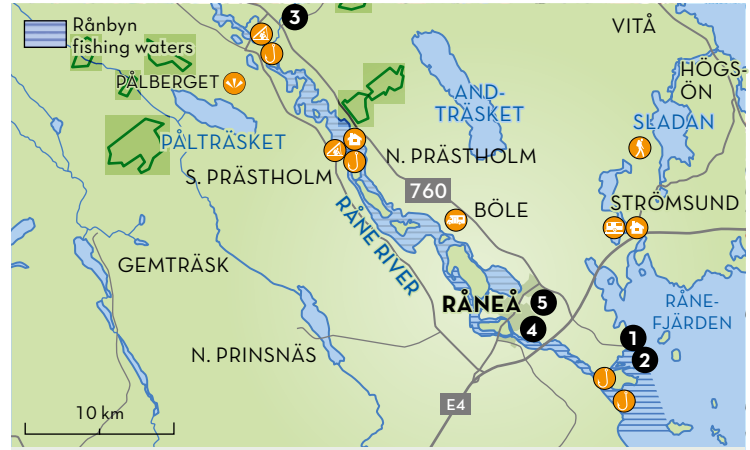
Summer café in the old manor house by Niporna, near Gäddviksströmmen. Wonderful view of the river.

# RÅNE RIVER



Hoping for wild salmon - the greatest catch.

**THE RÅNE RIVER** offers varied fishing. Large pike are common, especially by the river mouth. Generally, pike fishing can be said to be of really high quality on the Råne River, throughout the entire season but peaking in spring and autumn. After spawning, the pike is eager to bite, as water temperatures rise. Good fishing spots are found above and below the rapids on the river, but the calm stretches (some of which are really deep) also hold large pike. Perch also grow large in the Råne River, with plenty of food, including river crayfish. Perch is found throughout the entire river. You can fish for grayling where there are stronger currents, including the rapids in central Råneå. The salmon swim to spawning grounds up the river, and can be caught in its southern parts, even though the best spots are found further upstream. Wild salmon are the largest you can catch. Further up the river, you can also find zander. Game fishers can explore tributaries offering good grayling and trout opportunities. It is noteworthy that trout fishing is prohibited all year round on the Råne River, with its mouth and the sea outside it being the only exceptions. Also, do not forget the start of the cray fishing season in August!



## TIPS RÅNEÅ AND KÄNGSÖN:

### 1. CANOE ADVENTURE NORTH

Canoe and kayak rental and sales. A shop selling equipment and accessories for outdoor living. A sauna raft for events. Rental of sturdy aluminium boats for pike fishing by the mouth of the Råne River. [canoeadventure.nu](http://canoeadventure.nu)

### 2. KÄNGSÖN'S CAMPSITE & SEA BATH

Basic caravan park. Summer café, guest harbour and bathing beach.

### 3. MELDERSTEIN MANOR

Accommodation, café, restaurant and chapel, in an 18th century manor. The beautiful surroundings are pleasant

to stroll through, and tell the history of the Melderstein mill. [melderstein.se](http://melderstein.se)

### 4. RÅNEPOOLEN

Free swimming pool in central Råneå. 25 metre pool with a water slide, a children's pool, a café serving light meals, ice cream and coffee.

### 5. SKOMAKARHUSET LODGE

Fully equipped lodge. Rabbits and chickens in the yard. Sauna and outdoor jacuzzi available for booking. [skomakarhuset.se](http://skomakarhuset.se)

# LAKE HERTSÖTRÄSKET, LAKE METTRÄSKET IN JÄMTÖN



Lake Hertsöträsk just outside Luleå, on a quiet summer night.

**LAKE HERTSÖTRÄSKET** lies close to the Hertsön residential area, about 7 kilometres east of central Luleå. Here, both arctic char and rainbow trout have been introduced in recent years, but the lake also has pike and perch. By the lake, you will find walking trails and cabins, wind shelters and rest stops. The lake is surrounded by a ramp spanning several hundred metres, allowing people with wheelchair or pram to access the lake, for instance by wheelchair. Fishing by boat is not allowed. Float tubes are only allowed for fly fishing. Ice fishing in winter.

**LAKE METTRÄSKET, JÄMTÖN.** Lake, a few kilometres north of Jämtön, with introduced rainbow trout. The lake is popular with fly fishers, as it allows for wading in many locations. There are also large pike here. Pleasant trails around the lake, as well as wind shelters, fire pits, a disabled access pier and toilets.



## TIPS JÄMTÖN AND STRÖMSUND:

### 1. RÖRBÄCK'S CAMPSITE & SEA BATH

Nature camping with electrified caravan parking spaces. Cottages and rooms available for rent, amenities building, shower and toilets, as well as sauna and an outdoor hot tub. Café and kiosk, mini golf course, beach volleyball and boule courts, fire pits, a grilling hut, and kayak rental. Harbour offering full sailing depth up to a wind sheltered quay. [facebook.com/pg/rorbackshavsbad-camping](https://facebook.com/pg/rorbackshavsbad-camping)

### 2. STRÖMSUNDSHEMMET

A beautiful place in a historic Norrbotten environment, by route E4, just north of Råneå. The buildings here are old church cottages, Norrbotten farm houses and bakehouses, once found throughout the area. Nearby, you will find an idyllic little lake, and fairytale forest surroundings, near the coast. Cottages are available for overnight stays, there are camping spots, a bathing beach, a campsite, chapel, sauna and an eatery. [stromsundshemmet.se](http://stromsundshemmet.se)

# LAKE STORA STENTRÄSKET

Photo: Stora Stenträsket



The fishing camp by Stora Stenträsket.

**LAKE STORA STENTRÄSKET** is found north of the small village of Krokräsk, in the eastern part of the municipality. Trout and arctic char are introduced twice per year, and there is also perch. Good ice fishing in winter. The lake is like a large coldspring, and its water is drinkable. It is beautifully embedded in coniferous forest, and found at a relatively high altitude, 169 metres above sea level. Stora Stenträsk is also the name of the fishing camp by the lake. Boats can, if available, be borrowed on purchase of a fishing licence. Here, you will find cottages, a common room, caravan parking spaces, saunas, a wood-fired outdoor hot tub and a small, unmanned convenience store with digital payment options. The camp is open for most of the year and around the lake you will find half a dozen wind shelters. Two sandy beaches are found here, a smaller one close to the camp and a longer one 3 kilometres away. The area is child-friendly. There are no eatery options, but larger groups can book events including catering. If you are lucky, you will also meet local legend and storyteller Johnny Engman. Stora Stenträsk is found 80 km from central Luleå. No boats, private or borrowed, may use any kind of motor on Lake Stora Stenträsket.



## TIPS VITÅDALEN:

### 1. RENOTRÄSK

Lake Renoträsk is found in a scenic location, in the northern part of Vitådalen. It is a medium sized lake with pure, clear water and introduced rainbow trout. Fire pits are found nearby. Fishing is best done with multi-spoon lures, flies, or bottom rod fishing. In winter, ice fishing works well.

road usable by cars leading up to the mountain, so count on a 2 kilometer forest hike.

### HEDEN

(South of the map.) Between the villages of Långtjärn and Heden lies a place with ancient remains, dated 3,000 years old. Trapping pits can still be seen. Since this was once seashore, it made an excellent place to trap animals. People probably dwelt higher up on the Sandkölen hillside. 65°58'16.3"N 22°17'00.0"E

### 2. STORKROKBERGET

Nature reserve and the tallest mountain in the Luleå area, 307 metres above sea level. When the sea rose to peak levels after the last ice age, Storkrokberget formed the outer part of a cape, reaching far into the sea. There is no

# LAKE MITTITJÄRN, LAKE HOVLÖSSJÖN

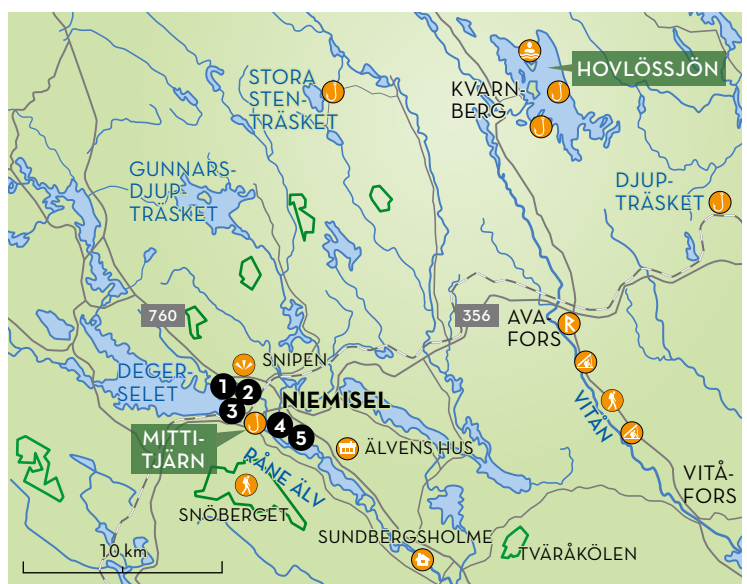
Photo: Peter Åberg



Beautiful lakes - an experience in itself.

**LAKE HOVLÖSSJÖN** is known to the locals as Storsjön (the big lake). The village Kvarnberg has about ten year-round residents, but many times more in summer. Hovlössjön is the largest lake in Luleå Municipality at ten square kilometres - it has 27 small islets and is something of a miniature archipelago. The water is clear and has a strong trout population. There is also perch, pike, whitefish and vendace. Trolling is recommended here.

**LAKE MITTITJÄRN, NIEMISEL** Small lake near Niemisel in the Råne River valley, with introduced fish, rainbow trout, brown trout and arctic char. Bridges and trails with footbridges, wind shelters and fire pits. Ice fishing, spin fishing, fly fishing and regular rod fishing.



## TIPS NIEMISEL AND SURROUNDINGS:

### 1. RENSUNDET

Wind shelter by the river neck north/west of the Långforsen rest cabin  
GPS: 66°01'26.5"N 21°57'26.5"E

### 3. GRÄDDFORSEN

Wind shelter.  
GPS: 0°42.3'N 21°58'32.5"E

### 2. LÅNGFORSEN

Rest cabin with four bunks (open, no booking), sauna, outdoor toilet and grilling pit.  
GPS: 66°01'23.3"N 21°57'52.9"E

### 4. KVARNÅMYNNINGEN

Wind shelter, and grilling pit.  
GPS: 66°00'42.3"N 21°58'32.5"E

### 5. LILLSTRYCKEN

Rest cabin with three bunks, sauna, grilling pit, and outdoor toilet.  
GPS: 66°00'04.5"N 21°59'36.4"E



## CATCH & RELEASE

### A COUPLE OF TIPS TO INCREASE THEIR CHANCES OF SURVIVAL:

- Release them quickly to avoid hurting their sensitive gills - never put the fish down on the ground.
- Unhook the fish carefully. Fishing with crushed barbs or barbless is recommended if you plan to release the fish.
- Handle the fish carefully so as not to damage their protective layer of mucus, scales or skin. If they are hurt, they are at greater risk of succumbing to parasites, bacteria and viruses.
- Lift the fish carefully. Grab it by its tail fin, if possible - and support the belly whilst unhooking. Never squeeze the fish.
- Help the fish recover by moving it forwards through the water, to help it absorb the oxygen-rich water which will then pass through the gills. Do not jerk the fish back and forth, this may damage the gills. Let go of the fish as it begins to twist and turn.
- Avoid injury from cold temperatures, splash water on the fish in cold weather. Freezing damage to the eyes will blind the fish.
- Fish are sensitive to dehydration. Try to make the fish's time out of water as short as possible.



*Protect the fish - if you are not going to eat it, carefully release it.*

## CRAYFISHING

**CRAYFISHING ON THE RÅNE RIVER** The noble crayfish was introduced into the Råne River in the 1950's and a strong population has been established from Råneå by the sea and further upstream. During three nights in August, a fishing licence purchased in the respective village will allow you to go crayfishing. About 50,000 crayfish are fished during these days, as locals come together to fish from the river banks and boats. The noble crayfish population in the Råne River has, thus far, been safe from the crayfish plague. It is therefore of utmost importance that the equipment used here has not been used in other waters before.



*A delicacy and an adventure!*

## ICE FISHING



*Ice fishing is something for everyone - a kick sled can be used both for transportation and seating!*

**ICE FISHING** in winter is a type of fishing highly popular amongst the locals. Ice fishing is simple, affordable and efficient. The equipment costs a couple of hundred crowns and enables you to catch perch, arctic char, trout, grayling, burbot, vendace, pike, rainbow trout and other types of fish. Ice rod fishing is another exciting method that can be used to catch large pikes, zander and other hungry predatory fish.

Out on the ice you must always keep safety in mind: check the ice thickness and wear ice picks. If you are unsure about anything, please contact a fishing guide. wear ice picks. If you are unsure about anything, please contact a fishing guide.

## THE RIGHT OF PUBLIC ACCESS

**DO NOT DISTURB, DO NOT DESTROY** Swedish law guarantees a right of public access, meaning that we're allowed to roam the outdoors freely, pick flowers, berries and mushrooms, swim, pitch tents, go cycling, boating, make campfires and enjoy other activities which are part of outdoor life. The right of public access is a privilege and a freedom that depends upon people acting responsibly and carefully towards the natural environment. We are not allowed to harm animals, plants or the environment and we must treat landowners and people we meet with respect.

**RESTRICTIONS** Naturally, you may not pick protected species. Nature reserves and national parks often have special regulations, restricting the right of public access. There may also be rules governing things such as speed limits, water skiing and leash requirements for dogs. Motor vehicles may not be driven off-road, on bare ground.

**BIRD PROTECTION AREAS** The archipelago has bird protection areas, where disembarkation is prohibited during certain parts of the year, often from May 1 to August 1.

**REINDEER HERDING** When you are lucky enough to see reindeer: Look at them from a distance, the quieter you are the better for the reindeer. If you encounter reindeer on a public road - slow down and let them pass. Remember that you stress the reindeer if you honk.



*Finding ripe arctic raspberries is pure happiness.*



*A red-throated diver and its duckling.*

**READ MORE:** The Norrbotten County Administrative Board has information about nature reserves: [lansstyrelsen.se](http://lansstyrelsen.se)

The website of the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency has more information about nature reserves: [naturvardsverket.se](http://naturvardsverket.se)



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