

GÖTA CANAL ON BOARD M/S JUNO

CRUISE ON A WATERWAY LIKE NO OTHER FROM GOTHENBURG TO STOCKHOLM



2 TO 10 AUGUST 2026

Sweden is a land of conviviality and carefree enjoyment. It is a country of elk, innumerable lakes, and fika. On our journey, we experience the Swedish summer and a delightful natural environment. There is ample variety on offer, as town contrasts with countryside, water and endless forests. Many famous authors have drawn inspiration from these landscapes. We travel to a nation immortalised in the works of Inga Lindström, Astrid Lindgren and Kurt Tucholsky, who wrote his well-known novel "Castle Gripsholm" in Mariefred. In addition to the port city of Gothenburg, we visit the capital, Stockholm, and one of Sweden's historic landmarks, the Göta Canal.

The Göta Canal, a strip of blue connecting Gothenburg with Stockholm, is best appreciated on a boat trip. On the water, it's easy to lose track of time. We settle back and look on as picture-postcard Sweden drifts by. More than 600 kilometres of canal and 58 locks link the two cities together. Our floating hotel is the M/S Juno, a historic passenger vessel built in 1874 and the world's oldest registered cruise ship with overnight accommodation. It plies the Göta Canal and offers a nostalgic trip back in time. M/S Juno has been a listed historic ship since 2004.

There will of course be plenty of time for you to pursue your own interests.

Sunday 2 August 2026

Own travel arrangements to Gothenburg and the Radisson Blu Scandinavia Hotel. As an alternative to flying, guests have the option to cross by ferry from Kiel to Gothenburg. We meet for dinner in the evening.

Monday 3 August 2026

On a city tour, we explore Gothenburg – Sweden's second-largest city in terms of population but its most sprawling. Looking at the grand boulevards, it is clear to see why this pearl on the Kattegat is often referred to as "Little Paris". The seamen's church with its magnificent view of the skerries, the vibrant old town and market halls are the perfect place for a stroll. After lunch, the remainder of the day is yours to do as you please.



Tuesday 4 August 2026

Our canal cruise begins: we settle in to enjoy a couple of days' rest and relaxation against a constantly changing backdrop. The nostalgic M/S Juno departs the port of Gothenburg at 9 a.m. In the afternoon, we pass the imposing Trollhättan lock staircase and visit the canal museum. Towards evening we cross Lake Vänern, Sweden's largest lake, passing Läckö Castle on a promontory. The M/S Juno continues on through the night, without docking.

Wednesday 5 August 2026

The Göta Canal begins at Sjötorp. Here, our ship passes the first of 58 locks. For early risers, there is the prospect of an invigorating morning walk from Godhögen to Riksberg. We traverse the enchanting Lake Viken. In Karlsborg, we visit the fortress before continuing across Lake Vättern, the second-largest body of water in Sweden, towards Motala, where our ship docks. The city is considered the birthplace of Swedish industry and the heart of the canal. Our vessel remains at the quayside overnight.



Thursday 6 August 2026

Today, we rise early so as not to miss the Borensult lock staircase. We continue via aqueducts and the striking Berg system of no less than 15 locks. Here, we have the chance to walk to Vreta Convent. M/S Juno crosses Lake Roxen, negotiating further flights of locks before reaching the old spa town of Söderköping, where there is time to explore on your own. Shortly before reaching the lake of Slätbaken, the ship passes through the last of the small canal locks. During the night, we cross the Baltic Sea without making landfall.

Friday 7 August 2026

In Södertälje, we pass Scandinavia's largest lock before reaching Lake Mälaren. On its shores are two UNESCO World Heritage sites: Drottningholm Palace and the Viking city of Birka. At around 4 p.m., our nostalgic journey on board M/S Juno ends in Stockholm's old town. Transfer to the Hotel Radisson Blu Waterfront. Stockholm, Sweden's capital, is renowned for its picturesque location direct on the Baltic Sea and its many attractions, and is dominated by museums, monuments and captivating architecture. Narrow houses in a kaleidoscope of colours line the shore and make up the wonderful old town, known as Gamla Stan. Evening at leisure.



Saturday 8 August 2026

On today's city tour, we take in the many highlights of Stockholm along with a few lesser-known gems. As we tour the city hall, we are reminded that this is where, every year, the banquet in honour of the Nobel Prize winners is held. Many more sights await us in the Swedish capital. We pass by elegant buildings, cross romantic bridges and discover Stockholm's green side. Then, we walk through the city's fashionable Östermalm district and visit the old town. Venturing along the ancient cobbled streets, we hear stories, facts and anecdotes from more than 1,000 years of history. After lunch, we visit the Vasa maritime museum, where we are transported back to the 17th century: the principal exhibit is the restored warship which sank on its maiden voyage in 1628.

Sunday 9 August 2026

After breakfast, we visit the Royal Palace of Stockholm, one of Europe's largest and most vibrant palaces. The official residence of His Majesty the King of Sweden, it is the venue for important ceremonial events and is a combination of royal home, workplace and historic monument. There is also plenty to see within the palace, including the Treasury with the State Regalia, the Three Crowns Museum of medieval history, and of course the Royal Apartments with their magnificent state rooms. Afternoon at leisure. Farewell dinner at a good restaurant.



Monday 10 August 2026

After breakfast, departure as per your personal travel arrangements. As an alternative to flying, guests have the option to travel by train via Hamburg.

Prices per person, plus 0.25% risk contribution for the guarantee fund

CHF 6,990 Superior double rooms in the hotels, double cabin on the Bridge Deck

CHF 6,590 Superior double rooms in the hotels, double cabin on the Shelter Deck

CHF 5,990 Superior double rooms in the hotels, double cabin on the Main Deck

CHF 8,670 Superior single rooms in the hotels, single cabin on the Bridge Deck

CHF 8,170 Superior single rooms in the hotels, single cabin on the Shelter Deck

CHF 7,770 Superior single rooms in the hotels, single cabin on the Main Deck

What's included

Two nights at the Radisson Blu Scandinavia Hotel Gothenburg in a Superior room, three nights at the Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel Stockholm in a Superior room with lake view, hotel accommodation including breakfast, taxes and city tax, cruise on the Göta Canal on board M/S Juno in the chosen cabin category with full board and drinks with meals (breakfast, two-course lunches and three-course dinners), excursions and tours as detailed in the programme, transfers where required, two lunches and two dinners with accompanying drinks, documentation, general tips, tour manager.



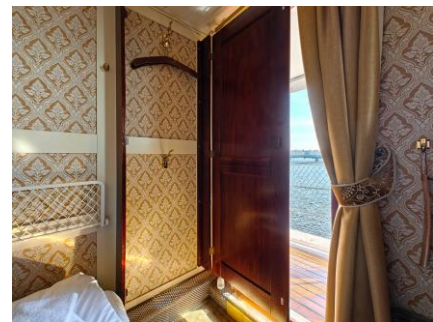
About M/S Juno

M/S Juno was built in 1874 at the Motala shipyard on Lake Vättern and is based in Gothenburg. Since 2001, the ship has been part of the Strömme Tourism & Sjöfart fleet, following Strömme's purchase of the shipping company AB Astrea. Today, it is the oldest registered cruise ship with overnight accommodation in the world. M/S Juno has been a listed historic ship since 2004.

Built 1874 / register no. 1840 / signal letters SFCD / shipyard Motala / speed 9 knots / engine 600 HP / gross tonnage 254 / length 31.45 m / beam 6.68 m / draught 2.72 m / no. of cabins 29.

Cabins

With its tasteful fabrics and brass details, the cabin interior reflects the style of the late 19th century, when M/S Juno was built. In these historic cabins, similar in size to a compartment in a railway sleeping car, we enjoy first-hand the relaxing experience of travel in days gone by. There is direct access from the deck to the cabins on the Shelter and Bridge decks. All cabins on board are on the outside of the ship and above the waterline. Each has a washbasin with hot and cold water.



Beds: All double cabins feature bunk beds.

Bridge Deck: The top deck is known as the Bridge Deck. It has a total of six cabins, all commanding very good views. It also serves as a sun deck and is the perfect space to relax. Access to a shared toilet and shower.

Shelter Deck: The Shelter Deck is the middle deck, where passengers board the vessel. This is also where you will find the dining room, the comfortable lounge and eight cabins. Adjacent to the cabins are two toilets, one with a shower.

Main Deck: Beneath the Shelter Deck is the Main Deck, which is accessed via a staircase and has 15 cabins. There are four toilets and two showers. This is the only category in which the windows (portholes) can be opened.

Shower and WC: Because M/S Juno is a historic ship, each deck has shared toilets and showers, which are cleaned several times a day.

