



# The Kingdom of Crystal

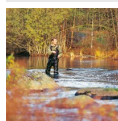
Photo: Glasriket



Every year more than a million visitors come here to a area in Kronoberg and Kalmar counties in Småland that includes the municipalities of Emmaboda, Lessebo, Nybro and Uppvidinge. Many return time after time. It is easy to understand why. To watch red-hot molten glass being transformed into delicate crystal or sturdy bowls is a spectacle that one never tires of. Here you will find well-known glassworks and brands such as Orrefors, Kosta Boda, Skruf, Mats Jonasson Målerås to name a few. In addition, you can enjoy the nature of Småland in its prime with its forests, lakes, stone walls and many cultural sights. These include Vilhelm Moberg's emigrant district.



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## THE REGION



*Glasriket*

Glasriket is the Swedish name of The Kingdom of Crystal. The region handblown glass has been made since 1742. Many well-known brands originate from here, including Orrefors, Kosta Boda, Mats Jonasson Målerås and Skruf. Together with the glassblowers, designers continuously stretch the possibilities of glass, and many glassblowing techniques have been developed through experimentation in the Småland blowing rooms. As a visitor you will encounter today both everyday glass and art glass of world-class quality, and you are welcome to step up to the glass furnaces to see it being created.

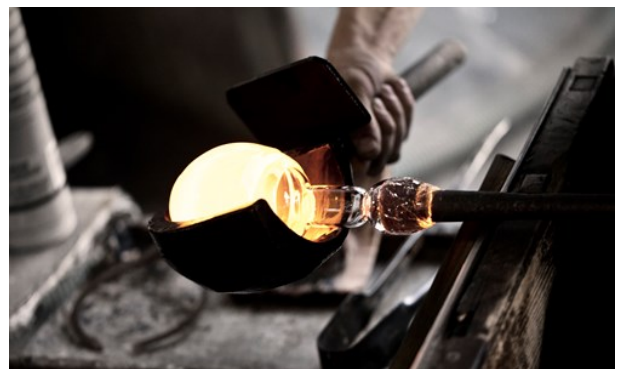
In the summer, you also have the opportunity to try your hand at blowing, painting and engraving glass. Adjacent to the blowing rooms are well-stocked glass shops where you can bargain hunt and exhibition halls where you can view the latest in Swedish art glass. Glass Art - is the glassworks' summer exhibition. A joint opening at all glassworks during the last weekend in April inaugurates the exhibition which will continue through August 31.

But beyond the heat of the blowing rooms, there is also much to experience in The Kingdom of Crystal. Here the nature of Småland, which once supported the works, offers opportunities for

hiking, biking, horseback riding, canoeing and fishing in lakes and streams.

Here you will also find cultural history, the immigrant district as well as a large range of shopping and other activities. Why not ride a bicycle trolley on one of the old railway tracks, experience a genuine hot shop herring ("hyttsill") evening, visit one of the many charming museums or take a course to teach yourself the basics of glassblowing? The Kingdom of Crystal has something for all tastes and interests.

## GLASSWORKS



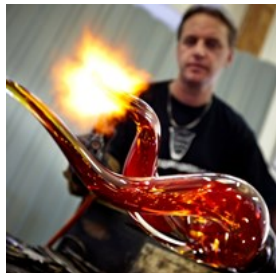
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Visitors are coming to the Kingdom of Crystal to experience true craftsmanship, to discover innovative design and to bargain hunt in outlets and glass shops. Step into the blowing rooms. It is inside amid the rumbling furnaces that molten glass is shaped by skilled glass workers into beautiful art. A fascinating spectacle!

At many glassworks you also have the opportunity to try your hand at blowing, painting and engraving glass. Or how about renting your own glassblower in order to actualise your own innermost designer dreams? In the Kingdom of Crystal everything is possible, and there are always many things going on in the blowing rooms. You can attend concerts, circuses and

courses, or why not enjoy a traditional hot-shop herring evening!

### Micke Johans Konstglas



The newest blowing room in the Kingdom of Crystal, in Örsjö outside Nybro. Mikael Johansson became a master glassblower when he was 24 years old. Until 2004 he worked as a glassblower in the art glass workshop at Orrefors Glassworks. Subsequently he has worked at Pukeberg Glassworks, where he created his own everyday glass and art glass.

Photo: AB Glasriket

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### Erikshyttan



Three glass artists Lars Sø, Maja Cunningham and Simon Holm try out new techniques and shapes in their own blowing room.

Erikshyttan was established in 1991 in Eriksmåla, one of many small villages in the Kingdom of Crystal. In the first years they only made purely functional glass. Since then they have extended the use of size, colours, various techniques and forms, resulting in a more artistic and sculptural production.

Photo: AB Glasriket

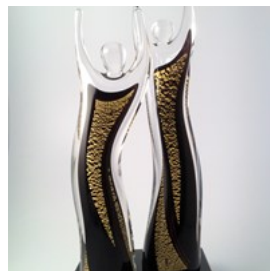
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### Carlos R. Pebaque Design AB



Glass artist Carlos R. Pebaque combines classic swedish style with south american temper and has created a new technique for art glass; "Cara" - a

way of painting glass.

Photo: AB Glasriket

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### The Glass Factory



The Glass Factory today is Sweden's only purely experience-based glass museum, and its art glass collection of more than 30,000 articles is the

largest in Sweden.

Discover the interactive exhibition on the Kingdom of Crystal's origin, evolution and future. In unique film clips you will meet glass artists and glass workers who talk about the Kingdom of Crystal, glass and its significance.

The Boda blowing room located inside The Glass Factory museum is the museum's hot, pulsating heart! It

serves as a creative meeting place to which national and international craftsmen, artists and designers are invited to experiment and find new modes of expression.

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### Orrefors Park



The furnaces are fired up again in Orrefors! The vision is to create a beautiful and attractive destination where visitors in a sustainable and

enjoyable way can become part of Orrefors' magical past and present through a unique combination of glass, food, light, music and nature.

The new glassworks at Orrefors is also the Kingdom of Crystal's first outdoor blowing room, with walls of green plants in a beautiful, historical glassworks setting.

Pay a visit to the museum, look into the shop, view all the plantings, take advantage of the chance to try glass blowing and then wind up with a picnic in a delightful setting!

Photo: orrefors park  
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### DO & SEE



*Glasriket*

In addition to the glassworks there are many other activities in The Kingdom of Crystal. Most are related to the fantastic landscape or the deep rooted cultural heritage of the area.

### Little Rock Lake Zipline



Via eleven stations made up of towers, trees and cliff ledges, you swish along among the treetops. You soar over pools and ravines. At the highest point you are 32 metres in the air and reach a speed of 70 km an hour. When you pause at the stations, a guide tells you about nature in Kronoparken and Småland wildlife.

Travel by zip line is quiet, increasing the odds of seeing elk and roe deer. The zip line is suitable for everyone from ages 7 to 80. There are two courses with different degrees of difficulty. The family course is shorter and takes about an hour, while the entire course is 1,550 metres in length, making the adventure last twice as long.

Photo: AB Glasriket  
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### Try glassblowing at Kosta Glass Centre



Kosta Glass Centre offers hands-on activities for old and young. You can choose to blow a sphere, a drinking glass or a bowl. You then can

choose which colour you want the glass to be and whether or not it should have a pattern.

When the choices have been made, it's just a matter of getting started with the production. Together with a glassblower, you will manipulate the molten glass and watch how it takes shape. By the following day, your finished product will have had time to cool and be ready to pick up.

Photo: Kosta Glascenter

Address: Stora vägen 96, Kosta

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### Handmade Paper Mill In Lessebo



Handmade paper has been produced at the Lessebo mill since 1693. Handmade paper is manufactured nearly the same way today as it was

300 years ago. Experience the old art of making paper, visit the gift shop and get a guided tour during the summer.

Photo: AB Glasriket

Address: Storgatan 79, Lessebo

Phone: +46 478-47691

Internet: [www.lessebopapper.se](http://www.lessebopapper.se)

### Duvemåla



The place inspired Moberg to create The Emigrants novel's Kristina, for whom he borrowed many attributes from his grandmother.

Here you can visit the Rundqvista estate and experience how these parts looked during the 19th century. Café and guided tours during the summer.

Photo: AB Glasriket

Address: Duvemåla

Phone: +46 471-249047

More Info: Located immediately north of Emmaboda

### Svartbäcksmåla Recreation Area



A recreation area in Nybro with jogging loops, hiking trails, mountain bike trails, an outdoor gym and a natural playground. In winter the

jogging track becomes an excellent cross-country ski trail, and the slalom slope is an uphill training challenge in summer. Throughout the year the Svartbäcksmåla outdoor recreation area is a popular destination for those who enjoy being in nature - to train or to take a leisurely walk. The marked trails create summertime opportunities for hiking and running. There is also an outdoor gym in the area for strength training, and for children there is an awesome adventure park. The nature reserve is an interesting nature and cultural area, with traces from the ice age as well as from tar trenches and charcoal kilns

Photo: Svartbäcksmåla

Internet: [svartbacksmala.se](http://svartbacksmala.se)

### Stream Fishing Alsterån



Alsterån flows through the deep and green woods of Småland, an idyllic place for fishing in the heart of The Kingdom of Crystal with many

opportunities for adventures. At Stream Fishing Alsterån you can fish brown trout in the running waters but also pike, perch, bream, tench and roach.

Photo: AB Glasriket

Address: Vidingegården, Ålghult

Phone: +46 481-63366

Internet: [www.alsteran.com](http://www.alsteran.com)

### Ödevata Fishing Camp



Ödevata Fishing Camp is located in beautiful and extremely picturesque surroundings along Lake Ödevaten. It offers opportunities for

swimming, fishing in nearby lakes, hiking and wilderness adventures right around the corner. Accommodations in cottages, a youth hostel or B&B also available.

Photo: Glasriket

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More Info: East of Emmaboda

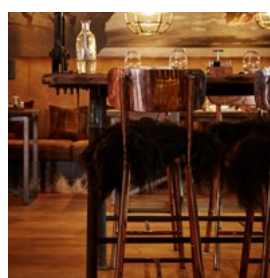
## DINING



*Glasriket*

In The Kingdom of Crystal there are many possibilities to experience different food at restaurants, cafés and tea rooms in towns and the many country cafés but also at the glassworks where The Kingdom of Crystal's national dish hot shop herring is served.

### Brasserie 1742



A brasserie-style restaurant housed in the unique Kosta Boda Art Hotel. A seasonal menu with local ingredients is offered here. Brasserie

1742 is a modern interpretation of a brasserie. Innovative cuisine in a rustic setting. The menu is based on locally sourced ingredients, selected according to the season.

Photo: Brasserie

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Internet: [www.kostabodaarthotel.se/bbedz](http://www.kostabodaarthotel.se/bbedz)

Email: [brasserie@kostabodaarthotel.se](mailto:brasserie@kostabodaarthotel.se)

### Linnea Art Restaurant



An experience for both eye and palate, with an interior painted and designed by Ulrica Hydman-Vallien and a superbly equipped kitchen, where the work is directed by some of Sweden's best chefs. The food is prepared using local ingredients and inspired by the surroundings and the current season.

Photo: Kosta Boda Art hotel

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### Mickes Vilt Rökeri



In Sävsjöström you find Mickes Vilt Rökeri serving their award winning air dried and cold smoked delicacies in a restaurant that mixes Austrian and Småland cuisine.

Photo: Mickes vilt rökeri

Address: Sävsjö Skogsbo

Phone: 0046 829 32 34

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Email: [info@mickesviltrokeri.com](mailto:info@mickesviltrokeri.com)

### Café Hos Oss



Breakfast, morning coffee, lunch or dinner... at Café Hos Oss, everything is cooked and baked with care, primarily using local ingredients and producers. After work events, music quizzes, cheese tastings, jazz evenings and author sessions are just a few examples of the

events hosted by the café.

Photo: caféhososs

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Internet: [www.cafehososs.se](http://www.cafehososs.se)

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### The Tea Room



In the forest near Örsjö you will find something unexpected - the ultra-Brittish Tea Room Ällebäck. Enjoy afternoon tea on granny's sofa with

scones, biscuits and cakes while you are transported to a bygone age. The old radio plays hits from the 1940s while stars of the period look down from the walls. The White Guide's reviewers expressed their appreciation as follows: "The cosy, homey style made us forget the world outside and simply relax."

Photo: the tea room

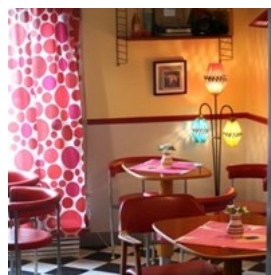
Address: Ällebäck 125, Örsjö

Phone: 0046 722 43 08 49

Internet: <http://thetearoomalleback.hemsida24.se/>

Email: [thetearoomalleback@gmail.com](mailto:thetearoomalleback@gmail.com)

### Fenix Confectionery



Visit this fine old confectionery with a real 50's style located in the centre of Emmaboda. Enjoy classic baked goods and delicious sandwiches.

Light lunches are also served. Outside dining is available during the summer.

Photo: AB Glasriket

Address: Kyrkogatan 3, Emmaboda

Opening hours: Year round.

Phone: +46 471-100 16

### Linas Butik & Café



A café and shop in an inspiring environment in Åseda. In addition to the café, there is also a shop with items for all ages.

The café serves

homemade cakes, sandwiches and light lunches. In the shop section you will find an assortment of furnishings, gifts and local delicacies. Linas Butik & Café is a destination that offers a little extra and has something for everyone.

Photo: Linas butik & café

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Phone: 0046 709 895 444

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## SHOPPING



*Glasriket*

In The Kingdom of Crystal you can purchase glass at factory prices at all glassworks. Here you have the option of buying both seconds but also first rate items and art glass. The Kingdom of Crystal, however, offers even more shopping opportunities. A few tips and suggestions:

### Målerås works shop



The shop at Målerås Glassworks showcases the latest from the blowing room one floor above. The characteristic decorative glass, most of which is ground, painted and engraved, stands neatly lined up in rows. Here you will find lots of exquisite crystal articles at factory prices.

Photo: Målerås

Address: Industrigatan 20 , 380 42 Målerås

Phone: 0046 481 314 01

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### Transjö Glasbod



The surroundings in Transjö can only be described as idyllic. Transjö Glasbod is a converted barn that creates a picture

postcard view of Småland and the Kingdom of Crystal, with its red-and-white facade and windows filled with art glass. The store is an exhibition hall in itself, where no two pieces are alike.

Photo: Transjö

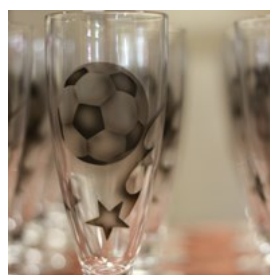
Address: Transjö , 360 52 Kosta

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Internet: [www.transjohytta.com](http://www.transjohytta.com)

Email: [info@transjohytta.com](mailto:info@transjohytta.com)

### Nybro bruksbutik



Many of the items in the works shop are painted with a relatively new technique, airbrushing, which also is used to paint cars, among other



things. The result is modern, colourful glassware that suits everyone.

Photo: Nybro glasbruk

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Email: [info@nybro-glasbruk.se](mailto:info@nybro-glasbruk.se)

### Kosta Boda shop



In the works area is Kosta Boda's own shop, where you can find glass products graded as both firsts and seconds. Check out the classic series or

look over the latest articles that have been produced. Kosta Boda's various designers ensure that the shop is filled with wonderfully varied designs, where everyone can find their favourites.

Photo: Kosta shop

Address: Stora vägen 96 , 360 52 Kosta

Phone: 0046 478 345 32

Internet: [www.kostaboda.se](http://www.kostaboda.se)

Email: [butik-kosta@kostaboda.se](mailto:butik-kosta@kostaboda.se)

### MickeJohans Konstglas bruksbutik



MickeJohan's shop is in a converted barn next to the blowing room. It displays decorative glass sculptures, eccentric Graal vases, immense

Ariel pieces and beautiful dishes and bowls.

Photo: MickeJohan

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Internet: [www.mickejohankonstglas.se](http://www.mickejohankonstglas.se)

Email: [micke@mickejohankonstglas.se](mailto:micke@mickejohankonstglas.se)

### Pukeberg bruksbutik



The shop in Pukeberg is located in the same premises as the blowing room. When you pass among the shelves, you can almost feel the heat

from the furnaces. Colourful glass predominates, and objects at Pukeberg Glassworks are made in small batches and sold only in the shop.

Photo: Pukeberg

Address: Pukebergarnas väg , 382 34 Nybro

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Email: [info@hyttsillen.com](mailto:info@hyttsillen.com)

### Skruf's works shop



Skruf's stylistically pure design idiom permeates the entire shop, with clear glass, clean lines, beauty and functionality at the same time.

Timeless products fill the shelves of the oblong shop, and the design sometimes is reminiscent of brands like Svenskt Tenn.

Photo: Skruf

Address: Skruf's Glasbruk , 360 53 Skruv

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### Bergdala Glasbruk



In the small works shop next to the blowing room, you will find all the glass that is blown in the Bergdala Glassworks. The shop offers both the

famous glass articles with blue edges and new items.

Photo: Bergdala

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### Hauges Hantverksglas



The glassworks takes an environmental approach and works primarily on remodelling non-returnable bottles, turning them into utility

glassware. Visitors are welcome to the glassworks to watch production and see the exhibition. There is also a large range of first quality and seconds for sale, a gallery with exhibitions by different artists and some cultural events. Don't miss the chance of a course in remodelling glass!

Photo: Hauges

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### The Glass Factory Shop



The Glass Factory Shop specialises in glass and glass-related products. The selection is characterised by

innovation, creativity and renewal that can be purchased exclusively at The Glass Factory Shop in Boda. Looking for something unique? No problem. This is a place where you will also find studio glass from exciting new artists and more well-known names from the entire Nordic region. In the café section, locally produced speciality foods are sold, and simple dishes are served.

Photo: theglassfactory

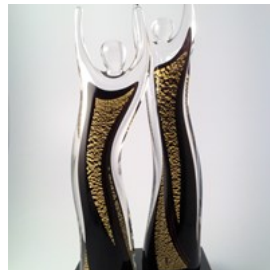
Address: Storgatan 5, 360 65 Boda Glasbruk

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### Carlos R Pebaqué Design



Carlos R Pebaqué has created his own technique for art glass; CARA, which is a way of painting glass during the blowing process. Carlos' glass can be found throughout the world, and in 2014 he celebrates his 30th anniversary at Gullaskröv. During his years as a glass designer, Carlos R Pebaqué has worked with many different techniques, and after a lot of training he developed his own technique for art glass: the Cara technique.

Photo: carlos

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Email: [carlos-artglass@swipnet.se](mailto:carlos-artglass@swipnet.se)

### Målerås Läder



Visit the factory shop and bargain hunt for locally made leather goods. Målerås Läder AB is a true family firm that has made bags since 1947. They have a large assortment of briefcases, flight bags, women's handbags, wallets, belts and more. From the shop you can see straight into the manufacturing area and you are welcome to watch how the work progresses.

Photo: Målerås läder

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Email: [kundservice@swecase.se](mailto:kundservice@swecase.se)

## Butik Norregård



Rustic style is in the rule in this renovated barn in the pretty village of Långasjö. Shopping inspiration with hand-picked interior

décor, both new and vintage. Anna Örnberg's Vintage de Lux jewellery is on sale here, and the range now offers clothes too. Finish your visit with coffee on the verandah.

Photo: butiknorregård

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### Population

Emmaboda municipality:

approx. 9,200

Lessebo municipality:

approx. 8,200

Nybro municipality:

approx. 20,000

Uppvidinge municipality:

approx. 9,300

### Currency

Swedish SEK/crowns

### Opening hours

The glassworks are open every day all year round except for certain holidays. Glassblowing occurs primarily on weekdays. At Kosta, however, blowing also occurs on weekends.

### Internet

[www.glasriket.se](http://www.glasriket.se)

### Newspapers

Barometern

[www.barometern.se](http://www.barometern.se)

Östra Nyheterna

[www.ostran.se](http://www.ostran.se)

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