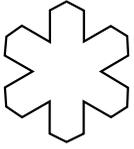
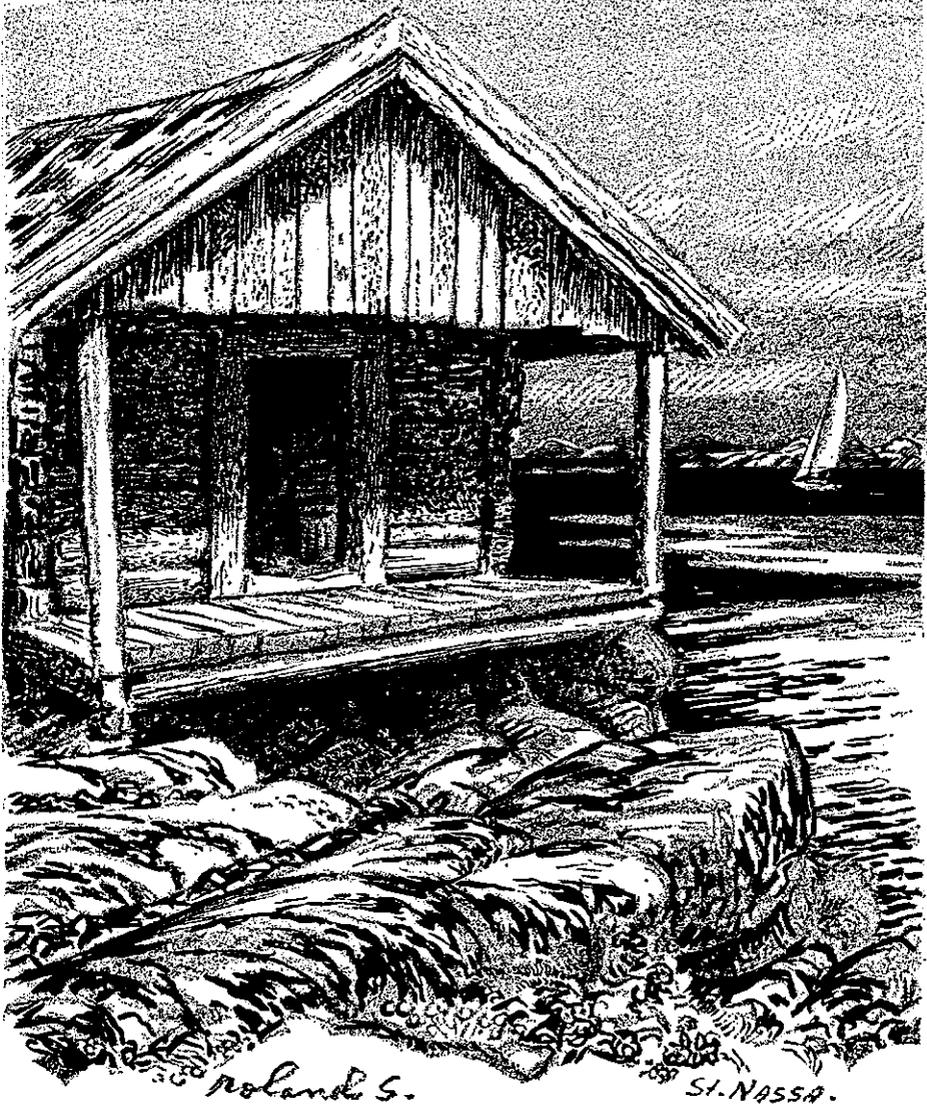


Nature reserve in Stockholm County



Stora Nassa



Länsstyrelsen
Stockholm

E. and R. Nathansons family
foundation Stora Nassa

Stora Nassa archipelago

Stora Nassa archipelago is said to comprise one island for each day of the year, i.e. approximately 365 islands, islets and skerries. Stora Nassa is located in the outer Stockholm archipelago, 55 kilometers east of Stockholm. You can only reach the nature reserve by private boat.

A place for fishing since the 16th century

Stora Nassa has been a place for seasonal fishing at least since the 16th century. The main island Stora Bonden has been permanently inhabited since the 18th century until the 1940s. Residents used to make a living from fishing, hunting seals and seabirds as well as collecting eiderdown. Cows and sheep were kept on the islands.

Rich birdlife and maritime deciduous forests

Stora Nassa is an important area for birdlife. More than 20 coastal bird species breed in the archipelago. Characteristic species have been eider, velvet scoter, tufted duck and common merganser. However, many species like eider and velvet scoter have declined during the last decades. Therefore, it is of outmost importance to protect their breeding grounds, by respecting the bird sanctuaries and by keeping the mink population in check.

The maritime deciduous forest on the islands is well developed. Characterized by low birch trees with several trunks as well as junipers and occasional spruce, pine and alder trees.

On Stora Bonden, a wooded meadow with pollarded trees has been preserved, as an example of earlier land use.

Directions and advice for visitors

The bird sanctuaries are established to provide the birds with undisturbed areas during their breeding season. Birds also nest on other islands outside the sanctuaries. So kindly avoid walking around on the islands, especially along the shorelines, during the breeding period. Please also look out for bird families on the water when going by boat!

- Dogs, cats and other pets are not allowed on land. However, leashed pets are permitted on the islands Bäckskäret and Stora Bonden.
- Vipers are abundant on the islands. Walk slowly to allow the snakes to take shelter.
- Using nets or other types of fixed fishing equipment for fishing is not allowed.
- Danger of fires. Open fires are not allowed. Fire may damage and stain rocks.
- Raised larger stones or arranged stone piles on the islets are landmarks of a bygone era, used for navigation, cairns, or old shelters used for bird hunting. Please be careful with these monuments. Do not make new stone piles or otherwise rearrange stones on the islets.
- Do not close narrow channels or water inlets with stones or tree trunks since the fish need passages to/from their breeding grounds.
- Keep nature clean, both in the water and on land. Bring all your waste with you!
- The buildings on the main island Stora Bonden are private property. Show consideration for the residents when hiking.
- Show consideration for other visitors and avoid disturbing noise. Loud voices, music and sounds from engines can be heard far away over open water.

Thanks for helping us protect the nature at Stora Nassa, a unique archipelago!

Stora Nassa nature reserve

—— the reserve boundary

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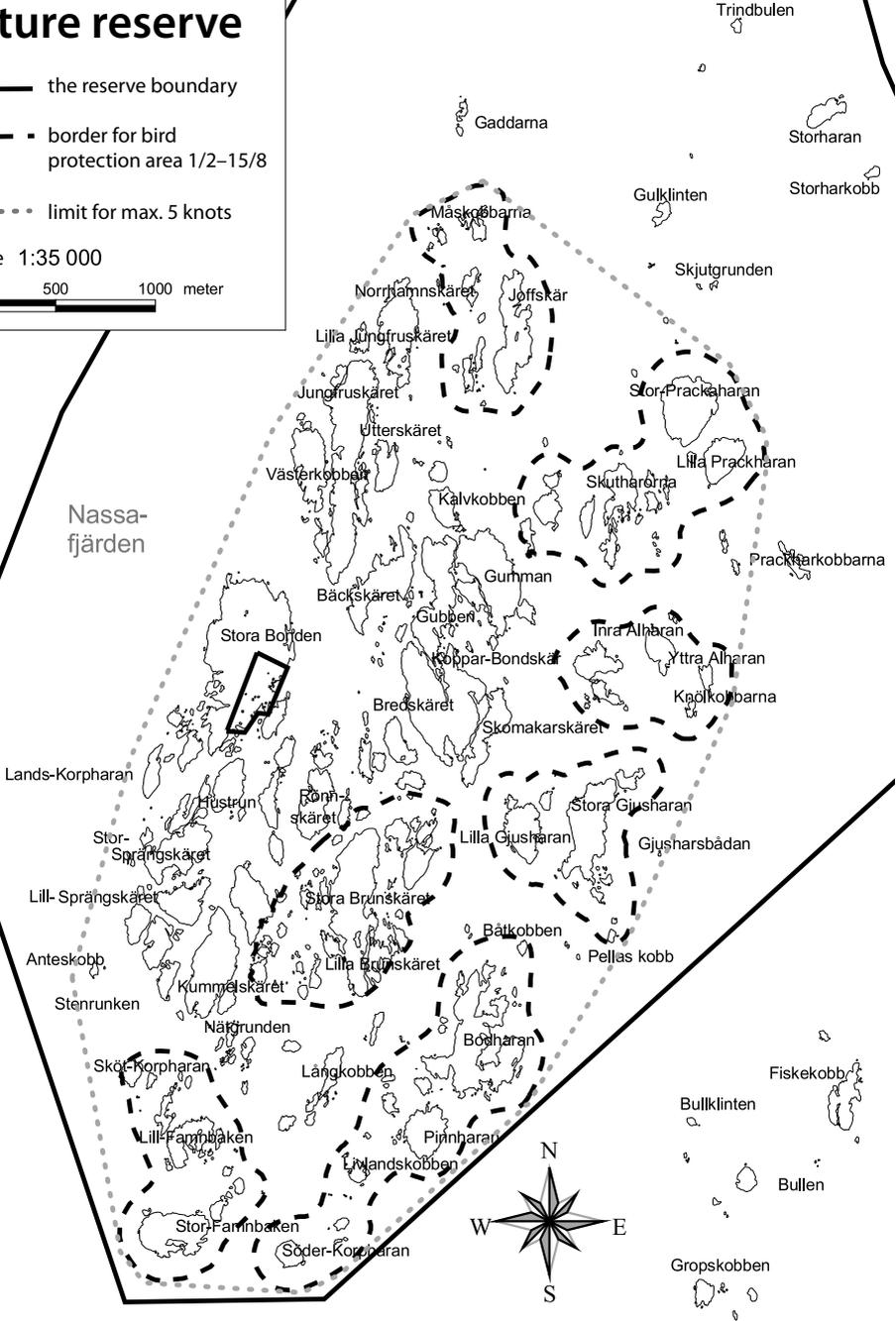
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Nassa-fjärden





Special regulations apply within the nature reserve

Within the reserve it is **forbidden** to:

- during the period from 1st of February to the 15th of August to go ashore, travel or remain within bird sanctuaries,
- drive ships, as defined under the Ordinance on Seafaring, at speeds exceeding 5 knots within the inner archipelago zone marked on the map,
- dig, cut, drill, paint or move stones, dam up sounds, or in any other way damage rock, ground, stones or bottoms,
- break off branches, fell or damage living or dead trees or shrubs,
- dig up plants or algae or pick mosses or lichens,
- bring dogs, cats or other pets ashore. However, leashed dogs or other pets are permitted on the islands Bäckskäret and Stora Bonden,
- damage or disturb wildlife (e.g. by climbing in nesting trees, catching, chasing or killing mammals, birds, reptiles or amphibians),
- collect and catch invertebrates,
- camp. However, camping is permitted for up to two consecutive nights on the islands Storsprängskäret and Bäckskäret,
- anchor boats on the same shore for more than two consecutive days,
- light open fires or use grills that may cause damage to vegetation or bedrock,
- put up notice boards, posters or signs, or make inscriptions,
- take off or land with aircraft,
- go ashore with more than 10 passengers. However, bringing more than 10 passengers ashore is permitted on the island Stora Bonden after consultation with the caretaker regarding terms and conditions,
- empty out holding tanks from pleasure boats or other craft into the sea,
- in a disturbing manner use music audio systems, musical instruments or similar,
- in a disturbing manner use pleasure boats or other craft within the inner archipelago zone marked on the map, e.g. by causing unnecessary wash or letting the engine run idle.

The nature reserve Stora Nassa was established 1965 by the County Administrative Board by mutual consent with the landowners. The nature reserve is 2945 hectares, whereof 280 hectares are islands and islets. Landowner and manager is E. and R. Nathanson family foundation Stora Nassa.

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