

Accessibility

A passenger boat will transport you to Stora Karlsö from Klintehamn. The easiest way to get to the harbour is by public transport, bus no. 10, which stops at the Coop (Konsum) about ½ mile from the harbour. A car is an alternative means. Accessibility when embarking at Klintehamn is good. The ferry moors at Norderhamn, Stora Karlsö, where a concrete-paved path, suitable for prams, wheelchairs and Zimmer frames, leads from the boat to the restaurant and hostel. Why not treat yourself to a tea or coffee and enjoy the spectacular cliffs and the rich bird-life from the beach at Norderhamn or from the restaurant terrace? The hostel has rooms designed for wheelchair access, with a separate room for a personal carer.



A Spectacular Island

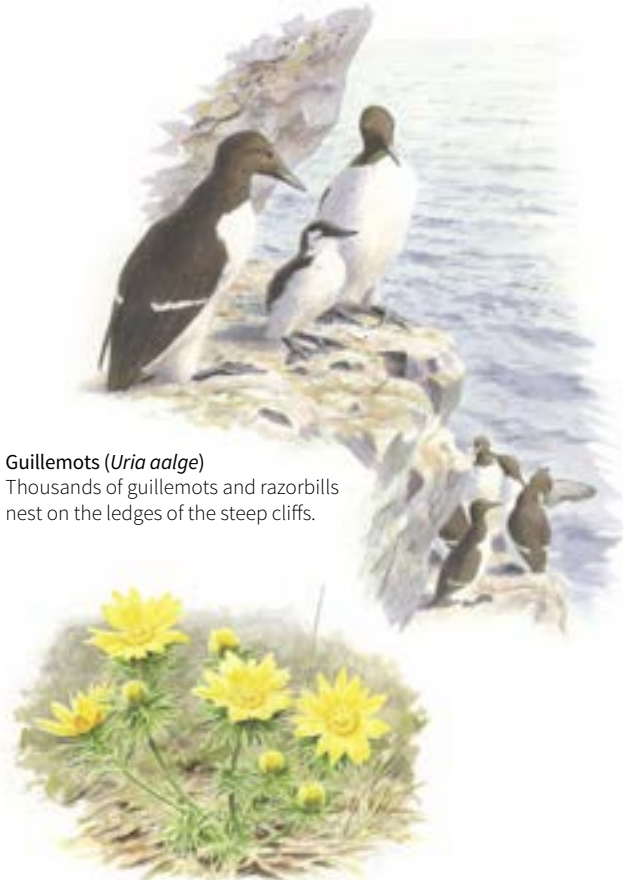
Visiting Stora Karlsö (Greater Charles Isle) offers a one-of-a-kind experience. Its steep cliffs soar 50 metres above sea level. They provide a nesting place for large colonies of guillemots and razorbills. Thousands of orchids are in full bloom in spring in the beautiful, open landscape. Explore the outstanding wildlife and exciting cultural history.

Where to Find Us

Stora Karlsö is about 10 miles southwest of Klintehamn and 2 miles from Lilla Karlsö. There is a regular boat service to the isle from Klintehamn between 1st May and 30th August. Your boat ticket entitles you to a guided tour.

To book a boat trip or accommodation, check www.storakarlsö.se

Private boats: You may only moor at Norderhamn. Contact the warden as you approach or as soon as you go ashore, telephone: 070-323 72 40. Mooring and landing fees may be paid in cash or by credit card.



Guillemots (*Uria aalge*)

Thousands of guillemots and razorbills nest on the ledges of the steep cliffs.

Pheasant's Eye (*Adonis vernalis*)

The large yellow flowers of the Pheasant's Eye are in full bloom in early spring.



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Arctic Tern (*Sterna paradisaea*)

Arctic terns nest here in the summer months before embarking on the long flight back to their winter home in the Antarctic.



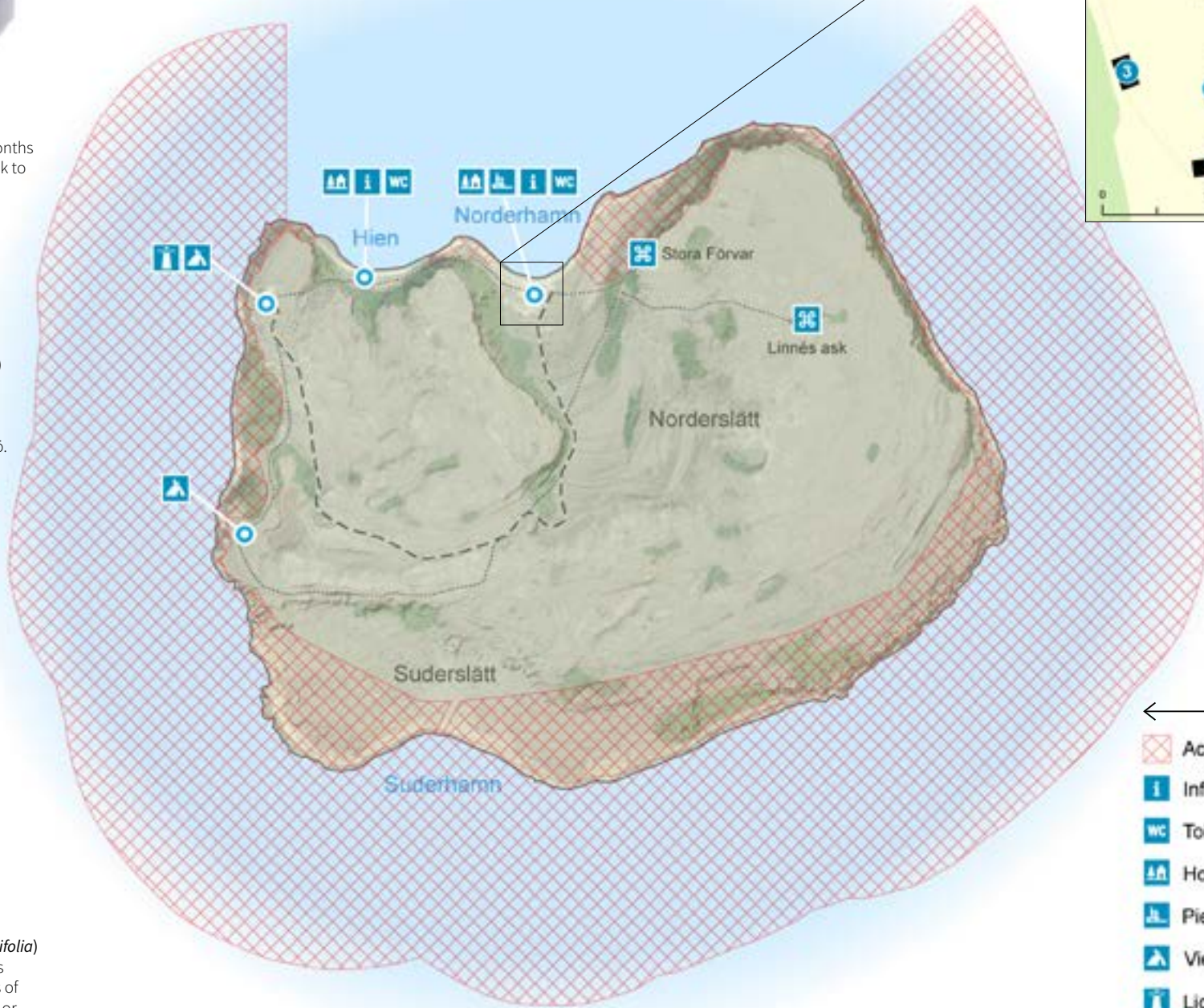
Burnt Tip Orchid (*Orchis ustulata*)

This small orchid is very rare on the mainland, but you will almost surely get a chance to spot it on Gotland, especially on Stora Karlsö.



Elder-Flowered Orchid (*Dactylorhiza latifolia*)

Enjoy the floral splendour of the orchids in late May/early June, when thousands of elder-flowered orchids display their red or yellow flowers.



- 1 Restaurant
- 2 Museum
- 3 Hostel
- 4 Hostel
- 5 Pier
- Firm-surfaced trail

- ⊗ Access prohibited 15/3-15/8
- i Information board
- WC Toilet
- 🏠 Hostel
- 🚤 Pier
- 📍 Viewpoint
- 🏠 Lighthouse
- 🏠 Place of interest

