Historic day trip to Nortuna manor

Nortuna is situated in the very heart of Uppsala county, along the banks of the Vendel stream, 15 kilometres north of Uppsala. The place itself harbours a history going back to 1278, and the surrounding landscape is full of remains from the Viking era, medieval churches and the period when Sweden was a great power. Nortuna was once in the possession of the family of Saint Birgitta, but also of a parson with the duty to find witches, and was the homestead of Anders Sparrman, the most travelled disciple of Linnaeus, the king of botany. Sparrman went on several tours worldwide with the Swedish East India company, and travelled to China, South Africa, Senegal, and indeed all around the world with the English sea captain James Cook during 1772-75 on board HMS Resolution.

Follow history with your guide, the owner of Nortuna, and in the Nortuna East India museum and around the world with Sparrman and Cook. Enjoy a lunch or a typically Swedish homemade "fika" (coffe or tea with a sweet bun, any time of day!). Into antiques? Add a guided tour of the private house and let the owner reveal the fashion in interiors from all periods. Or take in the atmosphere of the medieval wine cellar.

Activity facts

Type of company: Privately owned countryside manor
Location: 15 kilometres north of Uppsala, in the countryside
Duration: 2 - 4 hours
Season: 1 May to 30 September, but open for requests all year round
Target group: Groups
Min/max no. of participants: 8 / 30
Level of activity/previous knowledge required: None
Language: English and Swedish.

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