Botanist Carl Linnaeus is one of Sweden’s most famous scientists. He and his family had their private, rural retreat at Hammarby outside Uppsala. It is now a popular destination for visitors in summer, with its recreated 18th century agricultural landscape, including a forest, fields, pastures, a kailyard and a hopyard.

The “Walks and Talks...” activity is the perfect way to get to know Linnaeus! We start with a walk through the pastures and forest, following one of the excursion routes used by Linnaeus and his disciples. Mr. Flower Power himself or one of his students will be your guide.

During our walk we will stop at spots where Linnaeus used to lecture, find plants seen by his students and document our findings. We will also talk about the unique Swedish Right of Public Access, which allows you to visit almost any place in nature as long as you follow some common sense rules.

After about 45 minutes, you will have a Swedish fika at the manor before the guide shows you Linnaeus’ uniquely decorated study and bedroom with hundreds of beautiful flower prints which Linnaeus pasted onto the walls instead of wallpaper.

Walks and Talks at Linnaeus’ Hammarby – the private estate of Carl Linnaeus

Activity facts

Type of company: Museum and popular excursion spot
Location: 15 kilometers south of Uppsala
Duration: 3 hours
Season: May through September, tours start at midmorning Tuesday-Friday
Target group: Active and curious travelers interested in unique activities
Min/max no. of participants: 1-20
Level of activity/previous knowledge required: Comfortable clothes according to the weather and sturdy shoes are recommended, otherwise no previous knowledge required

Language: Swedish, English

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