

GOTHIA CUP

*PROPOSED ITINERARY – SWEDEN

Day One

- Depart on overnight flight to Gothenburg, Sweden.

Day Two



- Arrive in Gothenburg where you are met by your Excel International Sports Representative and a private bus.
- Transfer to your hotel accommodations and check in.
- Orientation meeting and time to settle in and relax.
- Optional afternoon practice session.

Day Three

- Gothia Cup games begin this morning.
- "Gothia Cup Super Card" includes various discounts to popular tourist attractions such as the "Liseberg" theme park (the largest in Northern Europe).
- Gothia Cup Opening Ceremony takes place this evening.

Day Four

- The Gothia Cup Qualifying games continue all day today.
- Time to explore Gothenburg. The city is known for fine, locally produced ingredients and top-notch restaurant life, so enjoy a delicious lunch. The Botanical Garden is one of the biggest gardens in Europe and considered the third most beautiful in the world!
- Leaders' Welcome Party this evening.



Day Five

- Last day of Qualifying Games: Plays offs start this afternoon.
- Visit to a top pro game this evening: - previous games have featured Gothenburg, Liverpool, Lazio, and Bayer Leverkusen at Ullevi Stadium.

Day Six



- Gothia Cup Quarter Finals & Semi Finals all day today.
- Stroll down the main boulevard, Kungsporsavenyn, visit the Gothenburg Museum of Art or shop in Scandinavia's largest shopping center, Nordstan.
- The Gothia Cup International Disco takes place this evening.

Day Seven

- Gothia Cup Semi Finals are concluded and Finals begin for some groups.
- Possible free time to enjoy a Boat-Ride to the islands of Alvsborg Fortress, Vinga and Styrsö. Visit the Old Fortress and the Vinga Lighthouse.

Day Eight

- Gothia Cup Finals' Day at Ullevi Stadium - in front of 30,000 fans!
- Final night in Gothenburg - enjoy the lively party atmosphere downtown.

Day Nine

- Depart for return flight.

ABOUT SWEDEN

Gothenburg - Gothenburg is Sweden's second largest city. It has become one of the most popular tourist areas in Scandinavia as tourists and other visitors return year after year. The city is known for fine, locally produced ingredients and top-notch restaurant life, which makes it a great reason to visit. The Botanical Garden is one of the biggest gardens in Europe and considered the third most beautiful in the world! Also enjoy Northern Europe's largest amusement park, Liseberg, located in the center of the city.



TESTIMONIALS

"It was an absolutely amazing experience for the girls and myself. We had an outstanding time and got to play some of our best soccer. Thank you so much for all your work in organizing this trip for us. I will definitely recommend this tour and Excel Sports to my colleagues and friends. Our tour guide Graham was an asset in London. He was extremely knowledgeable and personable....everyone really enjoyed his expertise and sense of humor. The Gothia Towers was amazing! It was a perfect venue for the girls as they got to mingle with other teams from all over the world. I can speak for all the parents and say that we all thoroughly enjoyed every part of this tour."

-- Debra Stranaghan, Coach, Kelowna X-treme, England/Gothia Cup, 2008

"Our team decided to go to the Gothia Cup one year in advance. We stayed in the best hotel in the center of the city, and meant we stayed close to all of the major events of the week, which was nice. On arrival, our Excel representative met us with the transport to take us directly to our hotel - just a short ride away. On Excel's recommendation, we had two days to adjust to the time differential, and gave us time to adjust and practice prior to the start of the tournament. Whenever we had a question, our Excel rep had an answer almost right away. Great job!"

-- Bill Sandusky, Olney SC President, Gothia Cup