

Hotel Diplomat, Stockholm, Sweden

Strandvagen 7C
Stockholm, Sweden

Rates: \$215-\$460 (USD)

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Year Renovated: 2006
Check in Time: 3:00 PM
Check out Time: 12:00 PM
Number of Floors: 6
Total Number of Rooms: 130
General Manager: Lina Gabrielson

STAR Rating: ★★★★★

Amenity Rating: ✓✓✓✓✓



Location and History

On one of the most fashionable plots on the harborside promenade, in the epicenter of fun and frivolity downtown, adjacent to shopping, dining and entertainment, this belle-epoque beauty bears rosy-red teacup awnings that give it the appearance of a delightful dollhouse. It is Scandinavia's version of the Plaza Athenee in Paris.

The hotel eyes the oft-overlooked Radisson Blu Strand Hotel across the channel, the underdog in Radisson Blu's impressive kennel of 4-star finds in Stockholm. The location could not be better for tourists, and the main train station and conference center are a doable 20-minute stroll from the hotel; Gamal Stan is a pleasant 15-minute walk. (Taxis quickly eat away at your budget.)

Property Overview

This is a chic and reserved hotel for individuals and international businesspeople. Originally an embassy for several nations, the ornate 1911 building is accented with wrought-iron balconies and fronted by antiquarian bookstores. However, with the exception of a mock fireplace, an antique clock and an original birdcage elevator, most of the art-nouveau charm has vanished from the lobby.

Arriving guests find a hard-charging reception staff. The reception area, up a few steps from the entryway, adjoins a modern restaurant and bar. The former TBAR has been replaced by an elegant hybrid eatery with two adjoining chambers, simply referred to as the Restaurant and Bar. Both the bar and dining room deliver menus, though the Restaurant is where most of the oohs and aahs originate from. The chef prepares a variety of regional dishes and New Scandinavian fare with a healthy hint of the Mediterranean. And, on those long summer days the terrace could just as well be on the promenade in Nice. Businesspeople who want to talk over deals in one of the most sophisticated environments in town head here. Prices, like everywhere in Sweden, are as steep as the fjords.

The adjacent library-inspired lounge awaits with comfortable and stylish seating, and it features an afternoon tea dreamed up by a local designer and the hotel's own talented pastry chef. Popular with locals and guests—much like all of the common areas—the high tea borrows a little magic from Claridge's as well as the forest elves. All of the revamped common areas show a distinguished mix of old and new. Still, the neighborhood offers some healthy competition.

Active guests will enjoy the gym, which is tucked into a large space in the basement. The reworked health club is actually a day spa with a host of treatments, massages, and facials. The sauna and renovated meditation area is popular, and the salon and dry bar work in conjunction with the hotel's clever wedding planner. There is also a nearby jogging track.

Accommodations

Corridors are dotted with antiques original to the hotel. Guests who forgo the elevator are rewarded with wonderful stained-glass windows flanking the circular staircase.

Accommodations vary in decor, layout and size, but all show superlative quality meshed with subdued design elements and understated



modern art; the rooms' fine raised paneling and well-crafted original moldings add to the architectural symphony. A few marks and marks on the walls are evident, but maintenance is in-line with the rates.

Common are gorgeous gray and white fabrics with coordinating headboards, original gray-wood paneling, radiators concealed in decorative mantels, minibars, flat-screen cable TVs, and one or two queen beds layered with thick duvets. Singles are more compact with one twin bed, bath and the basic amenities of other rooms.

Combination baths have tiled vanities, mounted and hand-held showers, magnifying mirrors, L'Occitane toiletries and bidets. About half the rooms lack tubs. Robes and slippers are standard.

Some rooms have plank floors with area rugs. Singles are small but pleasant, and units facing the courtyard are quietest. Some of those on the first floor open to a sitting room of white and pale blue. The best and most expensive choices are in front and boast high stucco ceilings and big bay windows with water views and glimpses of Gamla Stan.



All of the suites and executive rooms facing the harbor show modern Scandinavian light fabrics and blond furniture, 32- or 42-inch flat-screen TVs, and coffeemakers. The best rooms have balconies or small terraces with water views. Their baths boast large tubs, toilets that are separate from tub and shower, marble flooring and heated towel racks.

Rooms facing the courtyard are cooler, but -01 to -05 units facing the water are often preferred. The best are the -05 rooms located in the corner section of the building with a curved wall of windows. For a great view, request 501 or 503. There is a very small number of adjoining rooms, though the suites are more attractive options for families, especially the second-floor Master suites with water vistas.

Room service runs nonstop. Rooms have posted fire-evacuation plans but no sprinklers, although there are many fire extinguishers in the hallways. A security guard keeps a watchful eye at night, and key-cards are needed to get to the stairs or to operate the elevator.

Housekeeping and maintenance are excellent, and yes the service is appropriately diplomatic. The hotel closes for a week at Christmas.

Advisor Notes

Wireless high-speed internet access is complimentary throughout the hotel.

Parking is on the street, and the hotel also arranges for third-party valet service.

Comparable Properties

This is a hotel with a pinch of Swedish protocol that will appeal to a mature clientele in search of civilized surroundings. Young travelers and the young at heart should look into the neighborhood's bad boys: Lydmar, Berns and Nobis. Nonetheless, the hotel has been evolving, and there is little left that could be called stuffy, save some of the returning guests. Much less expensive rooms are available next door at the Hotel Esplanade, but you get what you pay for—moderate standards.

Latest Revision: December 2017

Basic Information

Year Renovated: 2006
Number of Floors: 6
Number of Rooms: 130
Chain: Preferred Hotel & Resorts
Chain Website:
<https://www.preferredhotels.com>

Rates & Policies

Rates are Daily in USD
Standard: \$215-\$460 - approx 20 sq m
Suite: approx 36 sq m
Meals: No Meals Included
Deposit Policy: 1st night's deposit
Cancellation Policy: Cancel by 6 pm- 1 day prior to arrival

Credit Cards Are Accepted
Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card

Location

In Stockholm. In the heart of Stockholm's financial and cultural centre. Beach.

Nearest Airports:

Arlanda- 45 km North, 40 min drive

Nearby Points of Interest:

Vasa museet (Museum)- 2 km
The Royal Castle (Castel)- 2 km
Moderna museet (Museum)- 2 km

Restaurants On-Site

Dining: 1 restaurant and 1 bar On Site

T/BAR (International cuisine with Swedish influences)
Cocktailbaren

Room Amenities

(Amenities are in all rooms unless noted otherwise)

Balcony/Terrace (some)
Cable/Satellite Television
Coffeemaker (some)
Daily Maid Service
Mini-Bar
Refrigerator
Rooms for Non-smokers
Safe (In Room) (some)
Telephone
Television
Voicemail

Recreation

NEARBY

Beach
Bicycling
Boating/Sailing
Casino
Fishing
Horseback Riding
Hot Tub
Jogging Trails
Pool (Children's Pool, Indoor Pool, Outdoor Pool)
Shopping Mall/Area
Snow Skiing
Tennis (Indoor Tennis, Outdoor Tennis)
Water Skiing

ON-SITE

Health Club
Health Spa/Massage

Hotel Facilities

GENERAL SERVICES

Concierge Services
Crib/Rollaway Bed
Currency Exchange
Laundry/Dry Cleaning Service
Multi-lingual Staff
Paid Onsite Parking
Room Service

BUSINESS SERVICES

Administrative Services
A-V Equipment
Business Center
Copier
Fax
Meeting Facilities
Technical Training Center

PET AMENITIES

Additional Fee for Pets
Pets Allowed

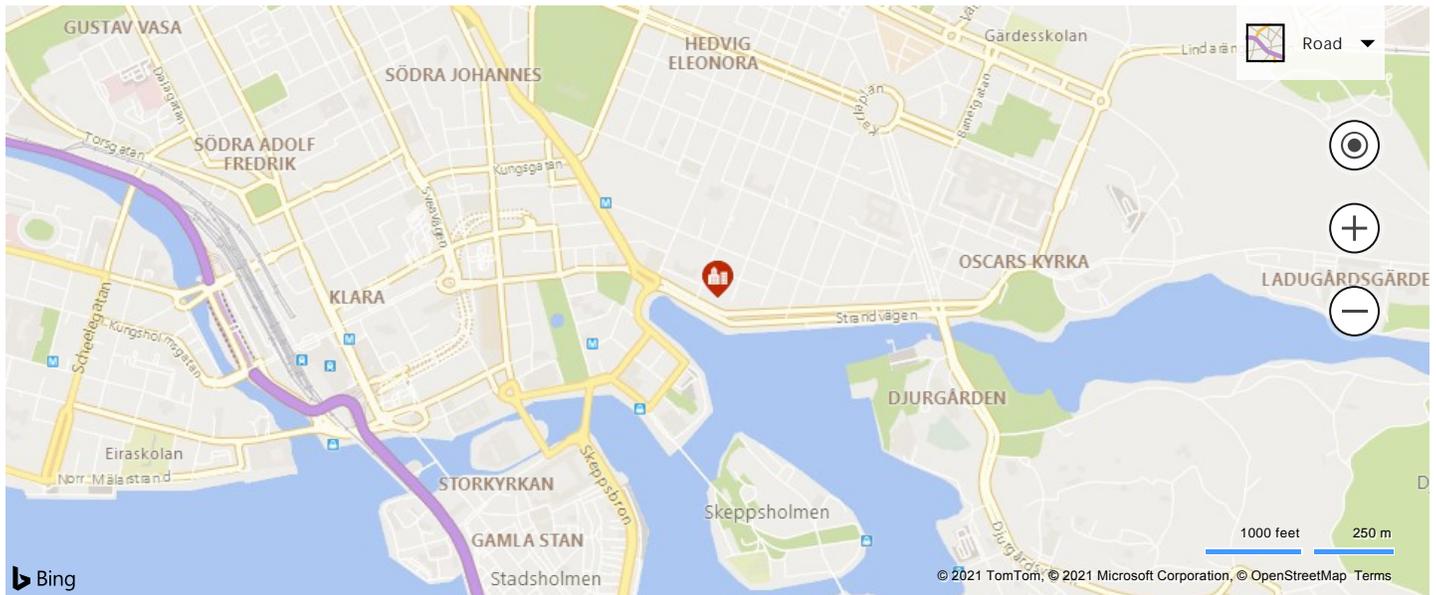
SECURITY

Electronic Key/Lock
Smoke Alarm in Rooms
Sprinkler in Rooms
Valet Parking Service

Meetings Facilities

2 Meeting Rooms holding 67 people.
85 sq m of Meeting Space
80 sq m of Exhibit Space

Hotel Map & Neighborhood



Radisson Collection Strand Stockholm, Stockholm, Sweden

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Stockholm, Sweden

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COVID-19 Policies

Year Renovated: 2018
Check in Time: 3:00 PM
Check out Time: 12:00 PM
Number of Floors: 10
Total Number of Rooms: 170
General Manager: Daniel Kraft

STAR Rating: ★★★★★

Amenity Rating: 🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷



Location and History

Directly on the waterfront and opposite Nybroviken Harbor from its classier, more service-oriented competitor, the Diplomat, this is an underdog that sits comfortably at the top of the second tier, beside the Hilton, Sheraton and sibling Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel Stockholm, the latter pinched between the main train station and the convention center.

Residing in an ivy-cloaked art-nouveau brick building with a commanding tower, constructed for the 1912 Olympics, this hotel enjoys an excellent location on a quiet street in an exclusive part of town. Close to stylish shops, theaters and restaurants, it was in the throes of a major overhaul in inspection, with new rooms and a number of common areas already completed. Management is aiming for an early 2018 deadline, wherein the entire hotel—meeting space, bar, lobby and the remainder of the guest rooms—will resurface anew.

For now, the hotel is shooting for minimal inconvenience, but be sure to request a renovated room or a discount.

Property Overview

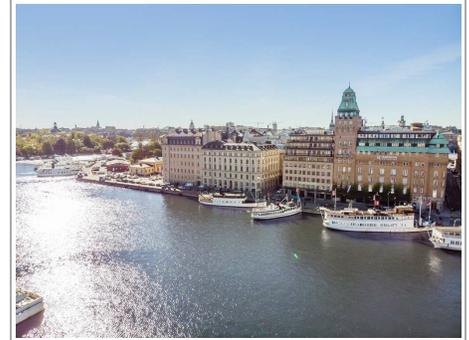
The location is certainly one of the hotel's main highlights, although this dark horse is the most intimate of the half-dozen or so Radisson Blu

hotels in Stockholm. The renovation has already elevated it above its stationside sibling, Radisson Blu Royal Viking. Still, the latter is without a doubt livelier. The newly introduced contemporary elements have helped distinguish it alongside the fiercely traditional leaders, the Grand Hotel and Lydmar, located around the corner.

Designers reworked the lobby with inspiration from Sheraton's @Link layout; the new space shares an inviting open plan furnished with stylishly updated modern appointments and communal tables and nooks for socializing and logging on to the always-free Wi-Fi. The smart-looking staff oversees the room, and drinks and bites are offered. Windows look out onto the Nybroviken.

Breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and tea are served in the new brasserie, with a wonderful mix of crisp modern Scandinavian style, and the creative continental fare pushes away all pretensions. Prices are high—this is Stockholm, after all—but the service at all meals, including the afternoon tea in the adjoining lounge, is excellent. Here again, views take in the harbor. The adjacent bar is spirited, but most guests frequent the neighborhood outlets for more local flair.

There is a sauna that guests can use free of charge, but there are no other recreational options. Alternatively, athletes can pay a reasonable fee to use a top-notch health club nearby.



Accommodations

Wide, brightly carpeted hallways prepare guests for the comfortable modern-style rooms. Older units are furnished mostly in blacks and subdued grays and blues with splashes of bright colors. New rooms have moved into the town-house category, with effusive tartan drapes and an eclectic aesthetic that blends classic period elements with subdued contemporary accents. Colors are calm, earth tones mostly.

Despite the changes, there is no distracting guests from the compact proportions of the Standard double rooms, which come in at around 180 sq ft. Superior rooms are not much better at around 200 sq ft, but the preferred Business Class rooms are well over 300 sq ft. All are appointed with large armoires and desks, double glazing, minibars, 28- or 32-inch TVs and coffeemakers. Business Class rooms add robes, slippers and fancy Nespresso coffeemakers.

The spacious black-and-white marble baths remain and are fitted with special lighting, magnifying mirrors and trendy vessel sinks that offer up ample space for the toiletry kits. Standard rooms have either twin or king beds covered in thick European duvets. Room 221 is the largest, although it does not have a good view. Preferable Superior rooms overlook the bustling waterfront but gain only a trite square footage. Still, these units come with southern exposures and enjoy the winter sun.



Corner suites are a special treat: Circular living rooms with multiple windows face the canal. The incredible Tower Suite, the only room with a balcony, boasts panoramic views of Stockholm, and some of the best views to be had anywhere in the city. Any room with harbor views, especially the Superior units, is a safe bet. Oddly, for a hotel of this size, there are only two connecting rooms.

Room service is around the clock, with a limited menu late at night.

The staff, from waiters to the manager, is attentive and gives guests its helpful best. There are watchful cameras, and key-cards are needed to use the elevators. Fire safety is a priority here, with sprinklers and posted fire-evacuation plans on every door.

Advisor Notes

Wireless internet access is free throughout the property for guests.

Parking in the garage is by valet and exacts a whopping US\$50 daily fee.

Comparable Properties

Perfect for tourists, this hotel is an especially good choice for business travelers who prefer a more scenic and intimate environment to a larger, more trafficked hotel, such as the Radisson Blu Royal Viking or Sheraton. The neighboring Diplomat proffers clubby, more intimate atmosphere.

Latest Revision: December 2017

Basic Information

Year Renovated: 2018
Number of Floors: 10
Number of Rooms: 170
Chain: Radisson Hotels
Chain Website:
<https://www.radissonhotelgroup.com/home>

Rates & Policies

Rates are Daily in USD
Standard: approx 14 sq m
Suite: approx 55 sq m
Meals: No Meals Included
Deposit Policy: SAS, Swissair, Delta, Continental, United AO
Cancellation Policy: The cancel policy may vary by rate.

Credit Cards Are Accepted
 Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card

Location

In Stockholm. Strandvagen. In financial & entertainment district near water and green areas.

Nearest Airports:
 Arlanda- 40 km, 40 min drive
 Bromma- 10 km Northwest, 20 min drive

Nearby Points of Interest:
 Vasa Museum (Wooden historic ship)- 1 km to the East
 Skansen (Outdoor Museum)- 2 km to the East
 Groena Lund (Amusement Park)- 2 km to the East

Restaurants On-Site

Dining: 1 restaurant and 1 bar On Site

The Strand (Swedish brasserie, cocktails)

Room Amenities

(Amenities are in all rooms unless noted otherwise)

Air Conditioning (some)
 Cable/Satellite Television
 Coffeemaker
 Daily Maid Service
 Free Newspaper (some)
 Iron/Ironing Board
 Mini-Bar
 Rooms for Non-smokers
 Safe (In Room)
 Telephone
 Television
 Voicemail

Recreation

NEARBY

Bicycling
 Boating/Sailing
 Casino
 Fishing
 Health Spa/Massage
 Horseback Riding
 Hot Tub
 Jogging Trails
 Pool (Indoor Pool, Outdoor Pool)
 Shopping Mall/Area
 Tennis (Indoor Tennis, Outdoor Tennis)

ON-SITE

Health Club

Hotel Facilities

GENERAL SERVICES

Complimentary Coffee
Concierge Services
Concierge/Club Floor
Crib/Rollaway Bed
Currency Exchange
Laundry/Dry Cleaning Service
Multi-lingual Staff
Paid Onsite Parking
Room Service
Wheelchair Access to
Common/Public Areas

BUSINESS SERVICES

Administrative Services
A-V Equipment
Business Center
Copier
Fax
Meeting Facilities
Personal Computer

PET AMENITIES

Pets Allowed

SECURITY

Electronic Key/Lock
Smoke Alarm in Rooms
Sprinkler in Rooms
Surveillance Cameras On Site
Valet Parking Service

Meetings Facilities

4 Meeting Rooms
113 sq m of Meeting Space
35 sq m of Exhibit Space

Harbour Suite

49 sq m
Capacity: Theater- 26, U-Shape- 20, Reception- 40, Banquet- 20

Studio I

24 sq m

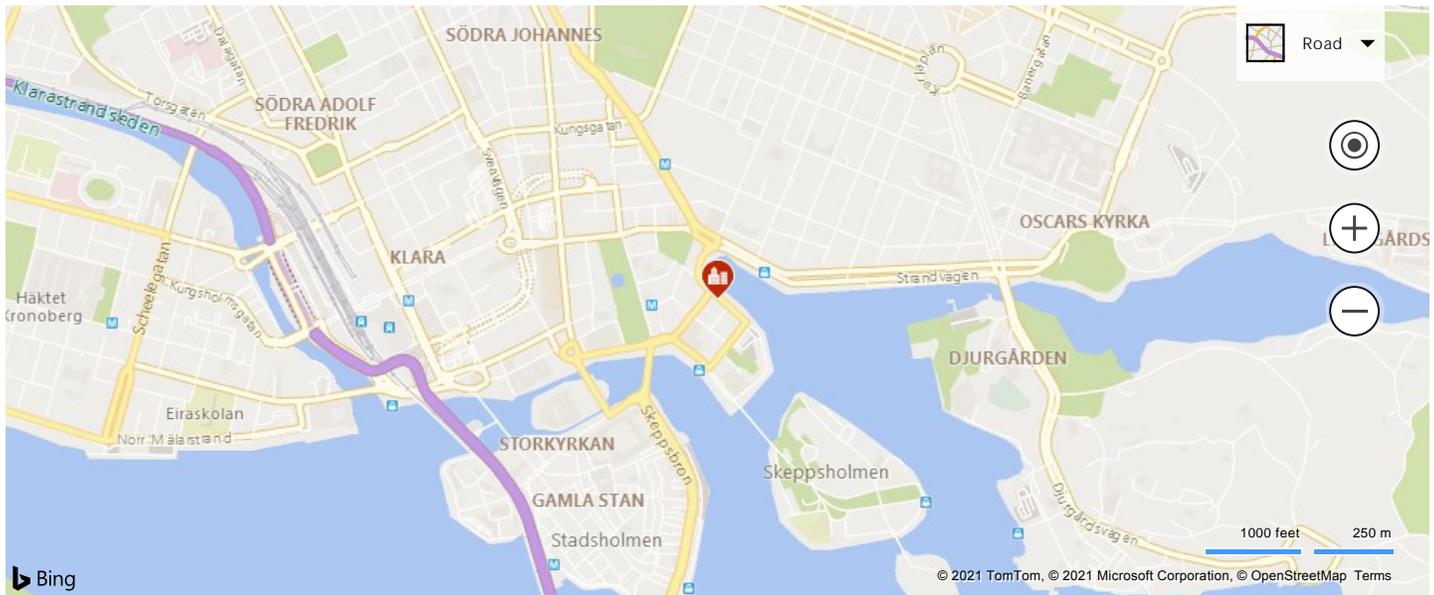
Studio II

20 sq m

Studio III

20 sq m

Hotel Map & Neighborhood



The Sparrow Hotel, Stockholm, Sweden

Birger Jarlsgatan 24
Stockholm, Sweden

Rates: \$232-\$486 (USD)

Phone: 46 8-1221-7300
Fax: 46 81-221-730000
E-mail: reservation@thesparrow.se
Web: <https://www.thesparrow.se>
[COVID-19 Policies](#)

Year Renovated: 2007
Check in Time: 3:00 PM
Check out Time: 12:00 PM
Number of Floors: 6
Total Number of Rooms: 215

STAR Rating: ★★★★★

Amenity Rating: ✓✓✓✓✓



Location and History

This is a rare treat, a well-run Swedish inn with rates that appeal to cash-conscious travelers. On off days, with the current moderate krona to dollar rate, you can snag a room here for as little as US\$150; suites are in the low US\$300 range.

Socked away in the lively Stureplan neighborhood, a stone's throw from Humlegarden and the library, in a fabulous shopping district, near the two far superior and far more expensive Elite Hotels—Elite Hotel Eden Park and Eden Stockholm—guests here find trim, traditional decor, an effusive, professional staff and a well-regarded restaurant with its own local following. The location is wonderful, and the hotel is planted on Birger Jarlsgarten, which drops right down into Nybroviken Harbor, an easy 15-minute stroll from the hotel.

Standards here are modest, so don't come expecting the Grand Hotel, or even an intimate version of the Nobis; in fact, it sits deep in the shadows of the adjacent Elite hotel. However, standards are solid, better than dependable, with service that will put most at ease. This hotel is on par with the more modest but better situated Hotel Esplanade, which hugs Nybroviken Harbor and eyes the Strand from a better position.

Property Overview

Arrivals are greeted by a gleeful staff. Granted, everything is tidy, but there are oversights in the weatherworn fabrics and carpeting. But rates certainly soften the blow.

Common space is secreted away upstairs and comprises bright, traditional salons furnished with comfortable residential appointments. This is what sets the hotel above the more sedate

Hotel Esplanade. Back down on the street, a new Italian-influenced cafe has replaced Ostra Matsal & Bar. Independently operated, Azzolino prepares lunch and dinner menus with a Rome-to-Stockholm repertoire that makes for some interesting hybrids. Dinner is not served on Sundays and Mondays, but breakfast is included in the room rate, and the neighborhood wants not for dining alternatives.

The lovely bar and alfresco section, streetside, proves just how tough the Swedes can be as they smile and chatter away to the city's near-constant symphony of freezing winds. The bar is a local hangout. Despite the hotel's homey wrinkles, the restaurant is quite stylish, a step above the standards one finds upstairs.

The hotel has an arrangement with a local spa and health club. There is a small meeting room available for small gatherings.

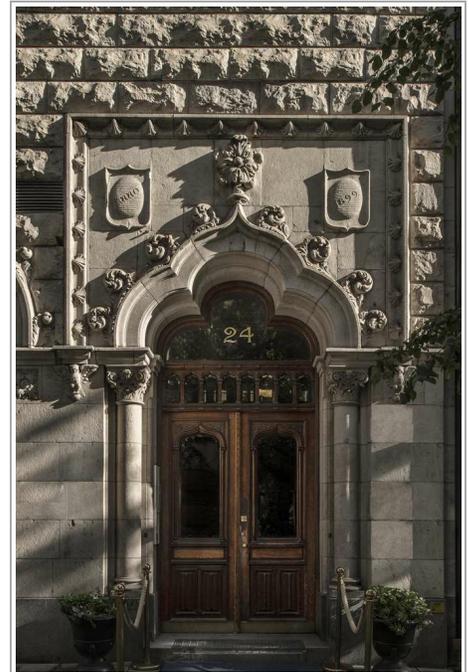
Accommodations

Many of the rooms put forth Gustavian gestures in the form of white-lacquered furnishings, but the look is softened with pastels, and contemporary elements give them a mild-mannered global countenance. All come with good beds, regional art and a variety of floor plans that include some tight standard units. Even some of the larger rooms are not that large at around 200 sq ft. Book one of the Deluxe rooms if possible, and the lively neighborhood fires up on the weekends, so bring earplugs if you are in one of the preferred street-facing units.

Comparable Properties

When rates are on the low side, this intimate residential-leaning hotel is a solid value, but during peak times the hotel overshoots the runway. Doling out around US\$200 is fair—much more and you will want to start looking at the Elite hotels in the neighborhood, or better yet, the exceptional residential Ett Hem, located in a prime mansion-dotted district just north of here.

Latest Revision: December 2017



Basic Information

Year Renovated: 2007
Number of Floors: 6
Number of Rooms: 215

Rates & Policies

Rates are Daily in USD
Standard: \$232-\$389 - approx 17 sq m
Suite: \$437-\$486 - approx 35 sq m
Meals: Full Breakfast Included
Deposit Policy: The reservation must be guaranteed with a credit card or with a travel agency IATA number
Cancellation Policy: Cancellations must be made the day before arrival before 6pm
Restrictions: Special exhibition periods may have different cancellation policy

Credit Cards Are Accepted
Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card

Location

In Stockholm. Sturegatan. Beach.
Nearest Airports:
Bromma- 15 km West, 20 min drive
Arlanda- 40 km North, 40 min drive
Nearby Points of Interest:
Sturegallerian (Shopping mall)- 200 mtr to the East
Nybrokajen (Boat tour starty)- 500 mtr to the South
Stureplan (Restaurants, offices)- 200 mtr to the East

Restaurants On-Site

Dining: 1 restaurant and 1 bar On Site
Ostra Matsal and Bar (Classic cuisine)
Wine and champagne bar (Classic bar)

Room Amenities

(Amenities are in all rooms unless noted otherwise)

Coffeemaker
Daily Maid Service
Iron/Ironing Board
Microwave Oven
Mini-Bar
Refrigerator
Rooms for Non-smokers
Safe (In Room)
Telephone
Television

Recreation

NEARBY

Beach
Golf Course

ON-SITE

Health Club
Health Spa/Massage
Pool (Outdoor Pool)

Hotel Facilities

GENERAL SERVICES

Concierge Services
Laundry/Dry Cleaning Service

BUSINESS SERVICES

Copier
Fax
Meeting Facilities

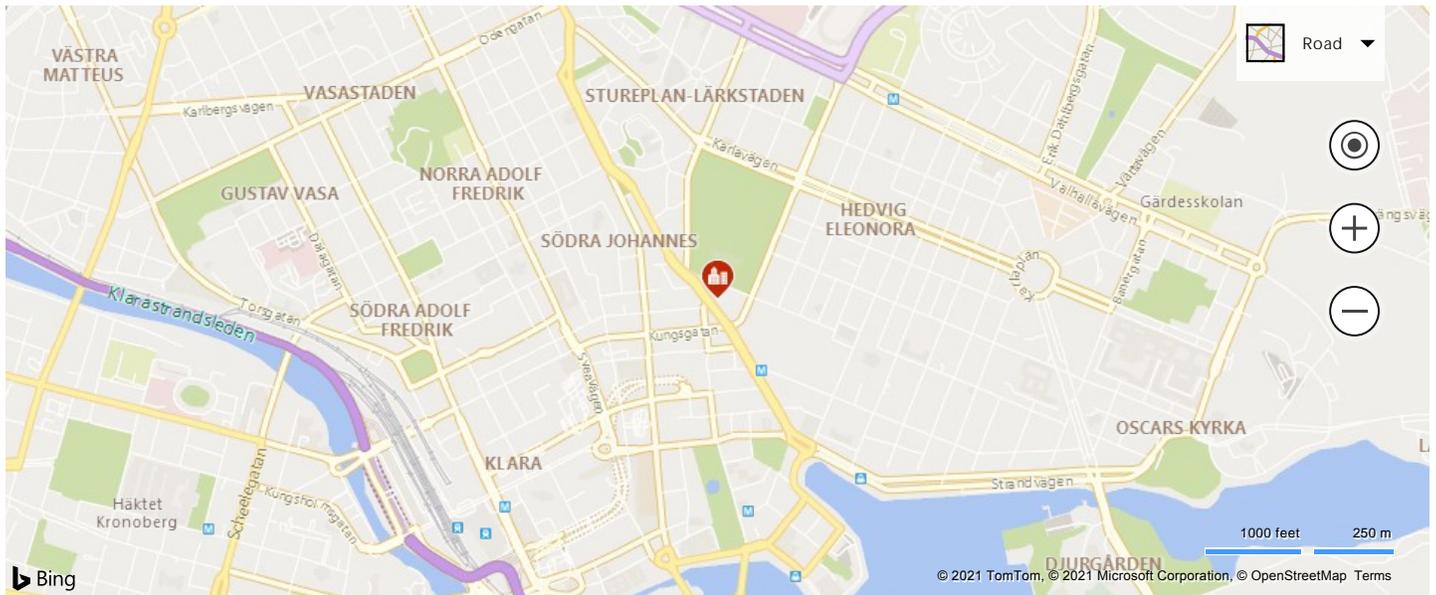
SECURITY

Electronic Key/Lock
Smoke Alarm in Rooms
Sprinkler in Rooms
Surveillance Cameras On Site

Meetings Facilities

1 Meeting Rooms holding 12 people.
37 sq m of Meeting Space
37 sq m of Exhibit Space

Hotel Map & Neighborhood



Elite Hotel Eden Park, Stockholm, Sweden

Sturegatan 22
Stockholm, Sweden

Rates: \$193-\$308 (USD)

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Fax: 46 8-5662-1711

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Web: <http://www.elite.se/sv/hotell/stockholm/eden-park/>

[COVID-19 Policies](#)

Year Renovated: 0

Check in Time: 3:00 PM

Check out Time: 12:00 PM

Number of Floors: 6

Total Number of Rooms: 124

General Manager: Philip Karringer

STAR Rating: ★★★★★

Amenity Rating: 🟢🟢🟢🟢🟢

Exterior

Location and History

A chart-topper in Stockholm's repertoire of catchy boutique ballads, this quality-driven hotel sits in a select residential neighborhood overlooking delightful Hemlegården (squint and you'll think you're on Fifth Avenue, up in the high 70s, overlooking Central Park). Guests here are a 15-minute stroll north of the Strand and fashionable shopping off Norrmalmstorg Square.

Although it sits a half-step below it, this hotel operates with nearly the same vigor as the livelier Nobis, offering common areas illuminated with showroom wattage, and the dining options are getting much-deserved adulation.

Renovated four years ago, the hotel remains a well-tuned instrument, and the staff contributes to its success. This is one of the best showings from the Elite chain. It was one of the first LEED-certified hotels in Sweden. Service is very good, but don't search for a doorman; this parkside retreat has few service elements. That said, bellmen will bring the bags up if requested.

Property Overview



The common areas' colorful facets are absent upstairs, where a toned-down modern aesthetic prevails in coffee and cream hues. Ebonized plank floors and persimmon desks and bureaus topped with flat-screen TVs color between the lines. The beds are pillow-topped twins and kings, lighting is off the showroom floor, and sheers and almost-blackout drapes hang floor to ceiling for dramatic effect. Photo-art gives the rooms a certain mystique, though the units at the bottom of the tariff card could use a little more square footage. Standard rooms are barely 150 sq ft; Deluxe rooms are average at around 250 sq ft.

Baths are beautiful modern abodes with great lighting, magnifying mirrors, a good selection of toiletries and either stall showers or combination tubs. Robes are thick.

Without question, the front-facing units eyeing the park are the prizes, with the handful of balconied units top picks. Note: Only the pricey Junior suites and suites append balconies. Adjoining rooms are on offer.

Room service operates alongside the restaurants, stopping most nights by 11 pm.

Accommodations

Bold photo-art, inlaid marble contemporary Murano chandeliers and iconic midcentury furnishings make a good first impression in the lobby. But more often than not, the wonderful park views visible through floor-to-ceiling windows are what grab arrivals' attention. Receptionists are efficient, multilingual and provide tips on outside dining and entertainment.

However, with the exceptionally popular Miss Voon (Asian) and Bishops Arms (gastropub) facing off, with only the lobby lounge separating the two, this hotel has its own built-in buzz. Come 5 pm, locals and guests begin mingling in the bar. Both venues have outside backing, and the highly charged Miss Voon, built around a storybook Chinese Madame, represents well the pricey Asian comfort food that is dished out here. Bishops Arms is just as lively but more casual, and its list of single-malt whiskeys can turn a Platinum card into dust in one short evening. Booking a room through the hotel will usually get you a free breakfast.

The hotel's gym is no second thought, and the segregated locker rooms each sport a sauna. Access is free of charge, and fruit and water are set out—a nice touch.

Advisor Notes

Wi-Fi is a freebie, though parking is around US\$55 (ouch!).

Comparable Properties

This hotel proves a more appealing option for individuals than its sibling Elite Hotel Stockholm Plaza (and believe it or not, the rooms here are larger). While not as service-oriented as the Nobis, this hotel hits plenty of high notes and offers romantics a sophisticated backdrop. For leisure travelers in search of a hotel with a local vibe and a look that is as crisp as a Granny Smith, this a great choice. Set beside the Grand Hotel, in what is arguably a grand locale, Lydmar Hotel is another worthy contender.

Latest Revision: December 2017

Basic Information

Year Renovated: 0
Number of Floors: 6
Number of Rooms: 124
Chain: Elite Hotels of Sweden
Chain Website:
<http://www.elite.se>

Rates & Policies

Rates are Daily in USD
Standard: \$193-\$222
Suite: \$307-\$308
Meals: Continental Plan

Credit Cards Are Accepted
Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card

Location

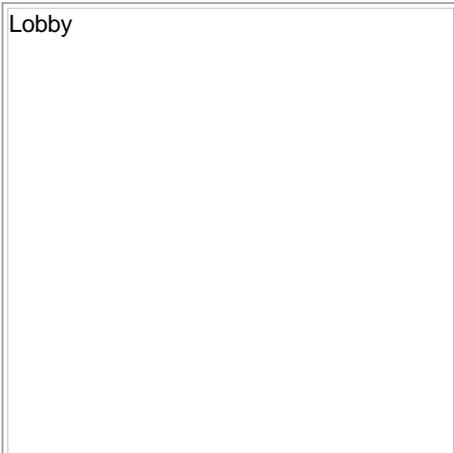
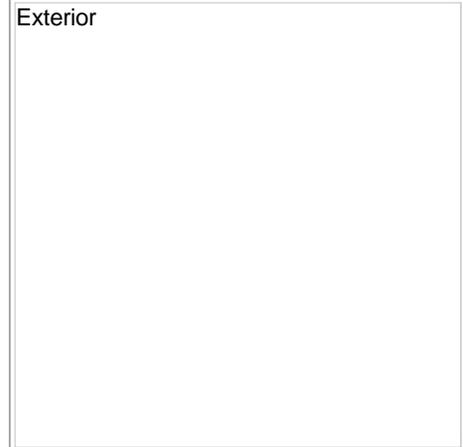
In Stockholm.
Nearest Airports:
Arlanda

Nearby Points of Interest:
Humlegaarden Park

Restaurants On-Site

Dining: 2 restaurants and 2 bars
On Site

Bishops Arms (Gastropub)
Miss Voon (Asian inspired cuisine)



Room Amenities

(Amenities are in all rooms unless noted otherwise)

Refrigerator

Rooms for Non-smokers

Recreation

ON-SITE

Health Club

Hotel Facilities

GENERAL SERVICES

Laundry Room

Laundry/Dry Cleaning Service

Paid Onsite Parking

Room Service

Wheelchair Access to Common/Public
Areas

BUSINESS SERVICES

Business Center

Meetings Facilities

24 Meeting Rooms holding 1,315 people.

1,275 sq m of Meeting Space

Bankettsalen 1+2+3

585 sq m

Capacity: Theater- 700, Classroom- 500, Reception- 1,000

Bankettsalen 2

248 sq m

Capacity: Theater- 300, Classroom- 160, U-Shape- 50, Reception- 300

Bankettsalen 3

174 sq m

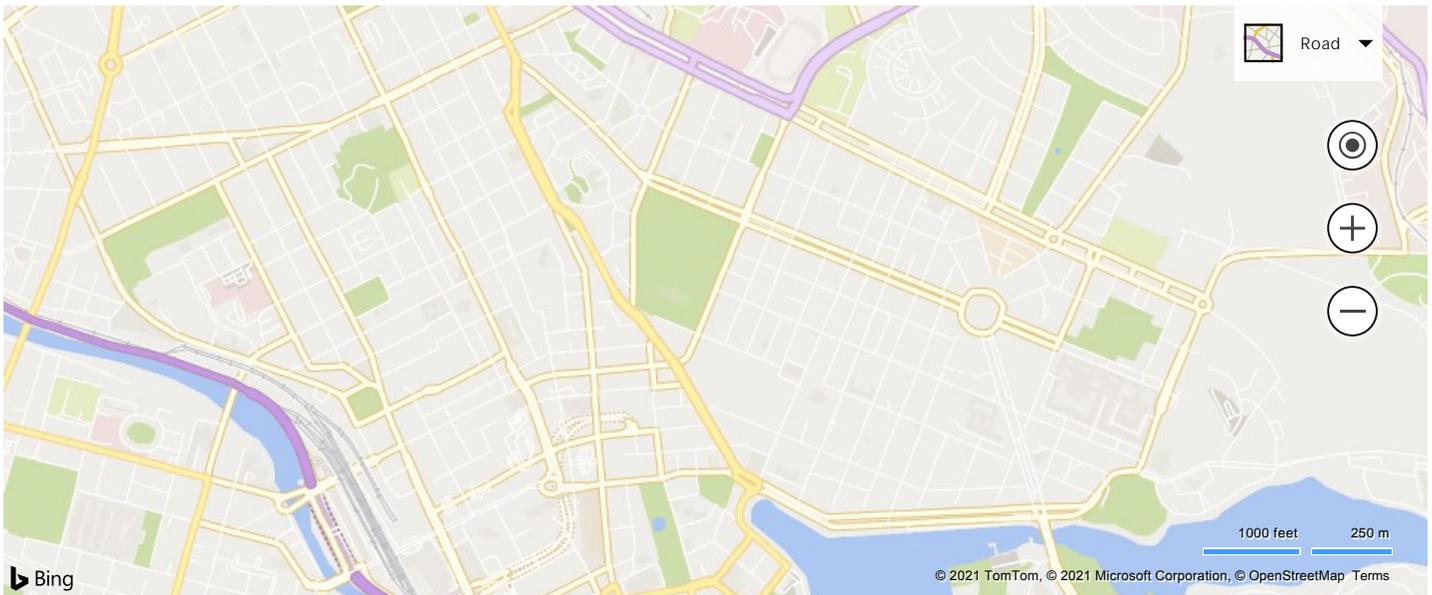
Capacity: Theater- 180, Classroom- 100, U-Shape- 46, Reception- 200

Bankettsalen 1

158 sq m

Capacity: Theater- 180, Classroom- 100, U-Shape- 46, Reception- 200

Hotel Map & Neighborhood



Radisson Blu Royal Viking Hotel, Stockholm, Sweden

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Year Renovated: 2019
Check in Time: 3:00 PM
Check out Time: 12:00 PM
Number of Floors: 8
Total Number of Rooms: 459
General Manager: Maria Tullberg

STAR Rating: ★★★★★

Amenity Rating: 🏊🏊🏊🏊🏊



Location and History

This hotel occupies an undistinguished eight-story building, pinned between the World Trade Center and Central Station, and handy to airport buses and the express train to Arlanda Airport.

It is tucked in the middle of Radisson's half-dozen hotels in this city, offering better than middling standards, but they pale in comparison to the better equipped and better maintained Radisson Blu Strand and Waterfront hotels. Wholly adequate for groups, gatherings and FITs looking for a busy, economical full-service hotel, the Sheraton is slightly more accommodating when it comes to service.

Unfortunately, since the last inspection the hotel's pool and whirlpool have been shuttered, and there is no news of when they are expected to reopen.

Property Overview

Walking to Old Town can take a solid 20 minutes, but shopping and dining are in the immediate vicinity. This is, after all, a business and conference hotel. In back of the expansive lobby, which is cluttered with groups of black leather seating and ample retail opportunities, four

individual podiums are commanded by a well trained staff.

A free-floating staircase reaches through a central opening in the lobby to the second-story atrium and mezzanine breakfast room. The lobby restaurant, Stockholm Fisk, specializes in fresh fish and has views of the street. A lobby cocktail lounge is a popular place for locals to meet, especially on weekends. The top-floor Sky Bar affords panoramic views. Breakfast is a big buffet that starts early at 7 am, though grab-and-go offerings are set out at 5 am.

Health facilities have lost footing with the closure of the subterranean pool and whirlpool. The only options these days are a sauna and a small but well-equipped gym. Unlike a growing number of hotels in Europe, this hotel offers free access to the recreational facilities.

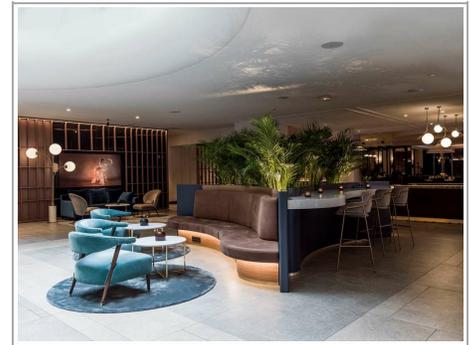
Accommodations

The lodgings' distinctive pine and art-glass features are quickly being replaced a new minimalist look that favors white, white and more white. These display a warm, upbeat Italian style and look better than the units at its airport sibling, Radisson Blu SkyCity Hotel.

All have air-conditioning; twin, queen or king beds (all sizes are available in all of the room categories); minibars; flat-screen TVs; and most show light furniture, with fanciful touches and warm colors. The newest rooms have space-age silver-tone headboards.

There are no desks in single rooms, and many of the standard rooms have closets that are smaller than the trunk of a Prius—actually, the minibars are larger. Guests can take care of their ironing needs in the ironing room on Floor 3.

The dated tiled baths in the older rooms are plain, while the new units have plenty of vanity space and spicier modern fixtures, mosaic tiles and quirky bottle openers with rabbit heads. All have heated floors and towel racks, and aromatic toiletries.



Premium rooms offer superior decor, robes and safes, and studios with sitting and sleeping areas are ideal for small meetings. Business-class rooms and suites also come with irons and ironing boards, espresso machines, free movies and local calls. The latter lack a private lounge, but they do proffer free breakfast and the best views. The best rooms are those—some of them standard rooms—that have great views of Stockholm's Old Town, on floors 6-8. The only balconies are in three suites. There are adjoining rooms.

Room service is nonstop. Safety and security is a top priority here, as proven by the fact that the hotel's rescue team has saved several lives. The hotel has been given a coveted fire-safety award.

Advisor Notes

Free wireless high-speed internet access is available throughout the hotel.

Valet parking in the hotel's garage is among the highest-priced in town.

Comparable Properties

A look beyond the facade reveals some nice extras here, and while it fails to match the higher standards found at its siblings Radisson Blu Strand and Radisson Blu Waterfront, it does offer good value and a less expensive alternative to the livelier Sheraton, down the block. The renovated rooms are definitely worth requesting.

Latest Revision: December 2017

Basic Information

Year Renovated: 2019
Number of Floors: 8
Number of Rooms: 459
Chain: Radisson Blu Hotels & Resorts
Chain Website:
<https://www.radissonhotels.com>

Rates & Policies

Deposit Policy: IATA or credit card guarantee
Cancellation Policy: The cancel policy may vary by rate.
 Credit Cards Are Accepted
 Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card

Location

In Stockholm, 60 mi from Stockholm. Klarabergsviadukten. In city center.

Nearest Airports:
 Arlanda- 30 km South, 40 min drive
 Bromma- 20 East

Nearby Points of Interest:
 Boat sightseeing (Tourist site)- 1 km to the Northwest
 Drottningholm Palace (Tourist site)- 20 km to the West
 Ekoparken- 2 km to the South

Restaurants On-Site

Dining: 1 restaurant and 2 bars On Site

Stockholm Fisk (Seafood)
 Sky Bar
 Lobby Bar (Cocktail Lounge)

Room Amenities

(Amenities are in all rooms unless noted otherwise)

Air Conditioning
 Cable/Satellite Television
 Coffeemaker
 Daily Maid Service
 Free Newspaper (some)
 Iron/Ironing Board
 Mini-Bar
 Rooms for Non-smokers
 Safe (In Room)
 Telephone
 Television
 Voicemail

Recreation

NEARBY

Bicycling
 Boating/Sailing
 Casino
 Fishing
 Golf Course
 Jogging Trails
 Shopping Mall/Area
 Tennis (Indoor Tennis, Outdoor Tennis)

ON-SITE

Health Club
 Health Spa/Massage
 Hot Tub
 Pool (Indoor Pool)

Hotel Facilities

GENERAL SERVICES

Complimentary Coffee
 Concierge Services
 Concierge/Club Floor
 Crib/Rollaway Bed
 Currency Exchange
 Laundry Room
 Laundry/Dry Cleaning Service
 Multi-lingual Staff
 Paid Onsite Parking
 Room Service
 Wheelchair Access to Common/Public Areas

BUSINESS SERVICES

Administrative Services
 A-V Equipment
 Business Center
 Copier
 Fax
 Meeting Facilities
 Personal Computer

SECURITY

Electronic Key/Lock
 Parking Area Well Lit
 Smoke Alarm in Rooms
 Sprinkler in Rooms
 Surveillance Cameras On Site
 Uniformed Security
 Valet Parking Service

Meetings Facilities

15 Meeting Rooms holding 500 people.
766 sq m of Meeting Space
800 sq m of Exhibit Space

The Atmosphere

190 sq m
Capacity: , Reception- 350, Banquet- 200

M1

163 sq m
Capacity: Theater- 150, Classroom- 100, U-Shape- 44, Reception- 150

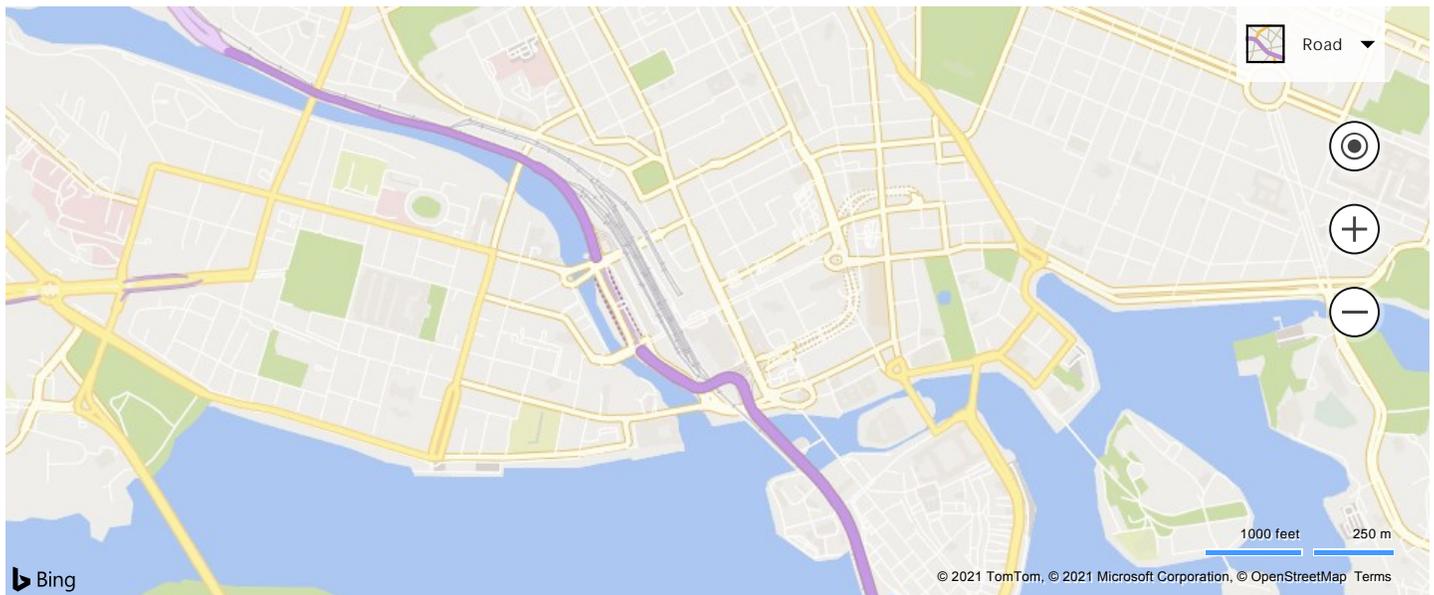
M11

55 sq m
Capacity: Theater- 40, Classroom- 40, U-Shape- 24, Banquet- 22

M10

51 sq m
Capacity: Theater- 40, Classroom- 40, U-Shape- 22, Banquet- 18

Hotel Map & Neighborhood



Nobis Hotel, Stockholm, Sweden

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Stockholm, Sweden

Rates: \$269-\$2,786 (USD)

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Year Renovated: 1973
Check in Time: 12:00 PM
Check out Time: 12:00 PM
Number of Floors: 6
Total Number of Rooms: 201

COVID-19 Policies

General Manager: Andreas Cavallius

STAR Rating: ★★★★★

Amenity Rating: 🍷🍷🍷🍷🍷



Location and History

Located on Norrmalmstorg Square, on the other side of Berzelii Park and Hamngatan from the glistening Berns Hotel and near the lively Stureplan entertainment district, this larger, more conservative-style showcase has a number of similarities with the Berns, but the latter's zealously period design isn't one. Both boast a serious brand of eclecticism, quality-driven accommodations, and an efficient staff with an attitude that aids in its success.

One of the new breed of hotels in the city—select, stylish and service-oriented—this place works just as well for business travelers as it does for fashionable FITs. Blessed with built-in socializing and a pedigreed dining room, the well-oiled contemporary aesthetic generates lots of press and a regular parade of gape-mouthed visitors. Cover-girl furnishings are just as important here as art, and there is plenty of both on display.

Property Overview

A stone's throw from the Grand Hotel, this oversize boutique gem commandeers two mid-18th-century buildings overlooking a bucolic plaza. The historic facade creates a wonderful contrast with the look inside. The well-calculated pairing presents plenty of visual excitement for its good mix of business and pleasure travelers. Renovations are on the to-do list, with plans to revamp the restraint finalized at the time of writing, but for now the high prices meet equally high standards, and quality takes the wheel on this wild ride.

The bright lobby, with window walls eyeing the square, sets the tone with its mix of conservative contemporary furnishings with colorful regional accents. There are a few iconic international pieces and bold pops of primary color amid the bleak gray, brown and black hues. (Oddly, the cornerstones of the hotel's color scheme mimic a rainy Swedish morning, which is a downer on a drab, rainy Swedish morning.) Most of the common areas enjoy a flood of natural light, whether it be from window walls or skylights. The mirrored reception counter adds texture, but the expanding effect is unnecessary, as this hotel's spacious open plan common areas are roomy and inviting.

The lounge lays out a fleet of fine furnishings for guests to relax in. Unusual sack-like planters anchor young spruce trees and saplings and hint at the great North Woods just outside the city limits. In spite of the extravagant cost of booze in this country, the bar overflows with a satisfactory selection of spirits.

Dining options are deliciously varied, and Caina continues to top the list. It is a modernist version of Stockholm's original family-run Italian room, a fixture across town for decades. The mood here is considerably more fashionable than the one that opened back in the 1980s, and a new generation of chefs and a gregarious maitre d' are overseeing the place with an eye on current trends, especially fresh, locally procured ingredients. This is a dinner-only spot, and it is closed on Sunday. The bistro is open daily for lunch and dinner and offers a spry terrace for alfresco dining in fair weather. The reasonably priced breakfast is US\$25, though cocktails aren't far behind.

Two bars are on hand. A back-lighted onyx bar and a bronzed mirror ceiling and walls gives the Gold Bar its name. Late nights are prime people-watching.

Recreation centers on the small, well-equipped gym and sauna, which are free for guests. The hotel lacks a pool or spa, but in-room massage services can be arranged through the concierge.

Accommodations

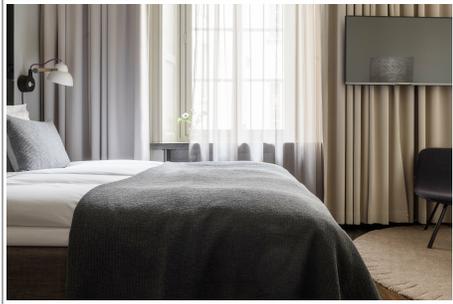
While the rooms display a thoughtful minimalism planted with particular pieces from Scandinavia's design vernacular—Arne Jacobsen's genius is evident—the small Standard rooms (160 sq ft) generate a dormlike look that is not altogether complementary. However, standardization is evident, and the rooms do get more attractive as they gain floor space. All come with plank floors and monochrome fabrics that bolster the uncluttered look. Beds are equally stark but sumptuous, with the mix of queen beds and real king beds bringing smiles to the faces of tall Americans.

Desks are architectural and trendy task lighting illuminates the work spaces and areas at the head of each bed. Minibars, safes, flat-screen



TVs with CNN and BBC, and iPod docking stations are in all.

With the exception of those in favor of the elaborate traditional baths at the Grand Hotel, these elegantly designed baths are among the best in town; big, bright and beautifully designed, with gleaming modern fixtures and extravagant extras such as velvety robes, slippers and top-shelf Byredo toiletries. (Battling for top honors are the baths at the smaller but no less stylish Ett Hem and Hotel Skeppsholmen.) Standard



are unique vessel sinks, chic chrome fixtures, rain forest showers, towel warmers, magnifying mirrors and stacks of excellent towels.

Avoid the compact Standard rooms and instead book a larger Superior or Deluxe room; the latter come in at around 250 to 325 sq ft. and have separate stall showers, soaking tubs and the best views over Norrmalmstorg Square. Suites are numerous and expensive. Adjoining rooms are an option, but the roomy Corner Suites are actually more economical than paying for a pair of connecting rooms, and the decor in the suites is more engaging than the standard accommodations. Note: Request a high floor when booking a plaza view room.

Room service operates around the clock.

Advisor Notes

Wi-Fi is free for all.

Parking is now up near the US\$60 mark.

Comparable Properties

This hotel's trim contemporary figure complements the lavish crushed-velvet creampuff that is the Berns Hotel, but rates here are slightly higher. Aimed at high-end hipsters with armored expense accounts (read: Swedish Silicon Valley types, mind you), this is an exceptional address for shoppers and those who depend on personal shoppers, with Gucci and the gang lining this bend in the road like a little stretch of Fifth Avenue.

With its opulent common areas a la Paris's Opera House, Berns Hotel has its pulse on the city with its own take on vibrancy and social cachet. Like Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, Bern's frenetic style and creative vibe will appeal to a wider demographic that includes open-minded baby boomers. This place has the kind of exemplary service and refinements that would put it in contention with a Park Hyatt if there was one in Stockholm.

Elegant and refined modern spaces and high-tech gadgetry are everywhere, and the exquisite Italian room and strong service standards plant this place right beside Elite Hotel Eden Park, overlooking Hemlegarden.

Latest Revision: December 2017

Basic Information

Year Renovated: 1973
Number of Floors: 6
Number of Rooms: 201
Chain: Design Hotels
Chain Website:
<http://www.designhotels.com>

Rates & Policies

Rates are Daily in USD
Standard: \$269-\$446
Suite: \$694-\$2,786
Meals: No Meals Included
Restrictions: Max. 2 pets per room, dogs & cats only.

Credit Cards Are Accepted
Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card

Location

In Stockholm. Located on Norrmalmstorg Square, in the heart of the city. Lake.

Nearest Airports:
Bromma
Arlanda

Nearby Points of Interest:
Norrmalmstorg (Square)

Restaurants On-Site

Dining: 2 restaurants and 2 bars
On Site

Caina (Classic Italian dishes and delicacies)
The Gold Bar & the Lounge (Drinks, cocktails, sandwiches)

Room Amenities

(Amenities are in all rooms unless noted otherwise)

Air Conditioning
Cable/Satellite Television
Mini-Bar
Refrigerator
Rooms for Non-smokers
Safe (In Room)

Recreation

NEARBY

Pool (Indoor Pool)
Shopping Mall/Area

ON-SITE

Health Club
Health Spa/Massage

Hotel Facilities

GENERAL SERVICES

Babysitting/Child Care
Concierge Services
Currency Exchange
Free Onsite Parking
Laundry/Dry Cleaning Service
Room Service
Wheelchair Access to
Common/Public Areas

BUSINESS SERVICES

Business Center
Copier
Fax
Meeting Facilities

PET AMENITIES

Additional Fee for Pets
Pets Allowed

SECURITY

Valet Parking Service

Meetings Facilities

5 Meeting Rooms holding 76 people.
116 sq m of Meeting Space

Hotel Map & Neighborhood

