



FISH LEATHER TANNING ON THE ISLAND STORA-FJÄDERÄGG.

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Stora Fjäderägg (Big Feather Egg) is an island located in the Bothnian Sea outside of Umeå. Sweden.

With beautiful nature there is ample opportunity to fish, take a morning swim, check the seals and pick blueberries for breakfast.

Leather tanning using traditional methods with natural materials and simple tools. You will have the opportunity to try different tanning methods such as oil tanning and bark tanning. The skins come from different types of fish, such as pike and salmon. From these skins we sew an object such as a bracelet, or a small bag.

Tanning ingredients and tools are provided by the course management, but feel free to bring your own fish skin. Freeze the skins immediately after the fish is skinned. Freeze no more than 4-5 skins in the same bag. Bring the skins in a freezer bag.

Bring wind- and water resistant clothing, apron, robust shoes or boots and rubber gloves. If possible you can bring some fresh or dried bark from willow or mountain ash. The tannic acid is located in the inner bark closest to the tree, but the outer cortex need not be removed.

Course fee is 4600 SEK, not including room, board or transport (see below)

Start: The course will start Monday morning and ends Friday around 13.00.

We live in the STF hostel that is situated in the newly renovated lighthouse keeper's quarters on the island of Stora-Fjäderägg in the Bothnian Sea.

Room: Price: Hostil members in 4-bed room 250 SEK /night ,(Non-members of Hostelling International + 50 SEK / night). Sheets are not included but are available for rent, 100 SEK /stay.

Transport: Participants travel by bus 118/171 from Umeå to Norrfjärden and takes Holmön ferry out to Holmön. The ferry is free and the journey time is 40 minutes. From Holmön you sail to Fjäderägg with the gaff-rigged Holmö sloop, which costs 250 SEK return trip, paid in cash to the landlord. The sloop departs 13:30 from Holmön on Sunday Aug. 12 and returns 15:00 Friday Aug. 17.

Board: We cook together and ingredients for breakfast including porridge, tea or coffee, afternoon tea and dinner for all 5 days will be supplied and at a cost of 130 SEK /day/person. Lunch is not provided and must be brought to the island by the participants, as there is no store there.

Accommodation and food are paid cash on spot to the STF's landlord. Notify of any allergies in advance.

Please register to Lottas Garfveri by mail or telephone +46703127846, and by paying 600 SEK to this account SE496000000000769570208 HANDSESS, Handelsbanken, Stora Torget 2, S-19330 Sigtuna (not refundable upon cancellation). You can even pay by paypal 630 SEK to lottastannery@yahoo.se) The remaining course fee 4000 SEK (4160 SEK by paypal) is to be paid before July 23.