

COURSES IN GRÄNSFORS 2012



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Blacksmithing in Gränsfors 2012

We have been arranging courses in blacksmithing at Gränsfors for many years. Our responsible blacksmiths are very qualified and skilled. The well-equipped shop in Gränsfors has given many participants their first look into the fascinating world of blacksmithing. All instructors speak English.

Lunch and dinner are included in the course fee. Accommodation is not included. Simple accommodation with breakfast is offered for booking.

Minimum age is 16 years. Bring working clothes. All courses will provide gloves, glasses, ear protection and apron.

Basic course (5 days)

17 - 21 May • 11 -15 June • 4 – 8 July • 1 - 5 August • 11 – 15 September

No previous experience necessary. Models and step-by-step instructions give you an insight into the work and methods of forging. You learn how to light up the fire, use the forge and get to know a little about the tools and materials. The first project is a candleholder, then naturally some hooks, and then all the fittings for a door: hinges, hasp, handle and nails. Participants are also welcome to propose simple projects that they would like to forge. We will try to make sure that all participants make the most of their new blacksmithing skills.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Course fee: 7 900 SEK incl. VAT
Content: Practice and education. Material.
Lunch, coffee at breaks, dinner
The book Swedish Blacksmithing is also included.

Basic Course II (5 days)

5 -9 June • 14 -18 August • 28 August – 1 September

Previous experience equivalent to Basic Course is needed. This course is an extension of the Basic Course, created on demand from many of our previous participants. This course raises the level of difficulty. You can forge handicraft objects as a poker, a firedog or other ironworks for the fireplace. You can make a big, three armed, candlestick. We also create some tools or other pieces. As always at Gränsfors there is room for your own ideas.

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Forging Tools/Axe forging (8 days)

10 – 17 July

Here you will learn how to make forged tools and steel-edged tools with traditional methods (forge, hammer and anvil). You also learn to forge a punching tool, a pair of tongs and a splitting chisel. The blacksmith tools you produce will then be used to forge an axe. To practice forge welding techniques, you will make some laminated knife blades. The course also includes understanding materials, heat treating and grinding, as well as some of the participants' own ideas. No major previous experience is required but having tried some blacksmithing would be beneficial.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Course fee: 10 200 SEK incl. VAT
Content: Practice and education. Material inclusive
Lunch, coffee at breaks, dinner
The book Swedish Blacksmithing is also included.

Damascus technique (5 days)

7 – 11 August

In the interest of the forging enthusiast, we can offer a course in Damascus technique. You will be able to forge laminated or Damascus patterned knife blades as well as axe heads. You need some previous experience. Work will be targeting your own field of interest.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Course fee: 7 900 SEK incl. VAT
Content: Practice and education. Material inclusive
Lunch, coffee at breaks, dinner
The book Swedish Blacksmithing is also included.

Customized Blacksmithing and Gränsfors experience

Book your own blacksmithing days with the Gränsfors Team. Companies and workgroups are specially invited. Arrange a business meeting with forging and nature experiences! A maximum of 8 persons and 5 days. Call for details!

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Log building in Gränsfors 2012

Instructor **Olaf Jung** is a skilled carpenter and speaks German and English as well as Swedish. On his own time, Olaf builds environmentally friendly houses.

The course books are *From Log to Log House* by Sven-Gunnar Håkansson and *Knuttimring [Timber Jointing]* by Jan-Ove Jansson.

Timber Jointing (7 days)

Instructions are in Swedish, German & English.

28 May – 3 June • 25 June – 1 July • 23 – 29 July • 20 – 26 August • 3 - 9 September

Contents

- Design of a simple timber frame house
- Ground and foundation
- Timber-building tools and how to sharpen them
- Obtaining, selecting and drying timber
- Sawing timber with a miniature sawmill
- Notches
- Mechanical chipping of logs for a timber house
- Hewing technique
- Types of joints – the *Alkanet* (and a little about the *Rännkenu*)
- Dowelling
- Door and window openings
- Roof construction
- Grinding

What to bring to the course?

Level, carpenter's square, yardstick, carpenter's pencil, hearing protectors, wet weather clothes including hat and boots. It is an advantage if you have read the course books mentioned above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Course fee: 8 600 SEK incl. VAT

Content: Practice and education. Material inclusive

Lunch, coffee at breaks, dinner

A Swedish Broad Axe 1900 from Gränsfors Bruks is included

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General information

Schedule

All courses starts at 09.00 and ends at 17.00 every day.

Accommodation

You can book accommodation in Gränsfors when booking the course. Prices below are per night and include breakfast.

Room above Augusta's

Shared toilet and shower.
SEK 400.

Small room in Dammstugan

Sharing toilet and shower in the house.
SEK 400

Double room in Dammstugan

Sharing toilet and shower in the house. Extra bed can be fitted.
SEK 600

Timber cabin, 4 beds

New service house with showers and bio toilet. Sauna by the creek.
SEK 600

Timber cabin, 2 beds

New service house with showers and bio toilet. Sauna by the creek.
SEK 400

Caravan/Tent

SEK 70 per night for mobile home or caravan spaces with electrical hook-up. Tent camping is free.
Note: Breakfast can be served at SEK 60/day.

Sheets and towels are included, but no maid service during the course.

Food and drink

At Augusta's, our new chef Gihta Fjällberg serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. For accompanying children age up to 16 there is a 50% discount. If you bring a guest or need any special food we ask you to inform us at registration.

Applications

Send applications to Gränsfors Courses, Phone +46 652– 141 00, Mobile +46706 666 783, E-mail courses@gransfors.com

Please, register your name, address, phone number and the desired course and time. Specify whether or not you agree to our providing your name and address to other course participants. This allows participants to carpool to and from the course. A confirmation of your reservation will be sent to you along with information on Gränsfors and the surrounding area.

Payment

20% of the course fee must be paid within 10 days after received confirmation. 80% of the course fee must be paid within 14 days before the course starts. With the confirmation we will also send information on how payment is made.

Finding Gränsfors

Gränsfors is located about 350 km north of Stockholm, between Hudiksvall and Sundsvall, 10 km west of the E4, along the road between Gnarp and Bergsjö. Coordinates: +62° 2' 26.48", +17° 5' 22.17". A map is available on www.gransfors.com

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Nearby

For more information visit www.gransfors.com and www.nordanstig.se. Small brochures on the area are available in Gränsfors.



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