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BELARUS

POLAND

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FRANCE

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ENGLAND

SCOTLAND

ICELAND

Faroe Islands

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British Isles

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There are 21 counties in Sweden and Eskilstuna is in Sörmland.

# Swedish Traditions

# LUCIA

- ★ Celebrated the 13th of december, marks the beginning of the christmas season.
- ★ The tradition honors Saint Lucia who symbolizes hope and light during the darkest times of the year.
- ★ The centerpiece of lucia is a “lucia train”, lead by a girl dressed in a white gown with a red band around her waist. Walk through public places singing lucia songs.
- ★ People eat, saffron buns (lussebullar), gingerbreads and drink mulled wine and christmas must.



# MIDSUMMER

- ★ Last Friday before June 24th.
- ★ Celebrated by dancing around the maypole, eating a big buffet, picking flowers and spending time with loved ones.
- ★ You pick flowers to decorate the maypole with.
- ★ The buffet consist of herring, potatoes, strawberries, cheese pie and strawberry cake. You also drink schnapps.



# SWEDISH FIKA

- Coffee break
- Dessert
- Smörgåstårta (Sandwich cake)
- 18th century



# UNESCO

**United Nations Educational Scientific and cultural  
Organization**





# NATIONAL LANDMARKS



# National landmarks

- Ishotellet → The Ice Hotel
- Sweden, Lappland
- Northern Lights
- First in the world
- Rebuilt every year
- First in 1989
- Original idea by Yngve Bergqvist
- Royal family visited







# Kebnekaise



• **In northern Sweden**

• **Highest mountain in Sweden**

• **2120 m → 2096 m**

• **10 - 16 hours**

# Drottningholms slott



-Built in 1699

-Ekerö commune

-The royal couples home.

-Allowed to walk freely.

-Beautiful well taken care of gardens



# Strömsholms slott



-Built around 1680

-Currently closed for visits.

-Near Eskilstuna

During summer, they host horse riding show.





# Nature

- very different throughout the country
- open fields in the south and mountains in the north
- a lot of island

# South and middle



# North





# Environmental problems due to the climate change

- Extreme winters – lower temperatures and longer winters.
- Extreme summers – higher temperatures and risk for grass and forest fires.
- Higher water levels in lakes and rivers from melting snow.
- More unpredictable weather compared to before with a lot more rain causing floods.
- More fossil fuel usage because of severe winters.
- Winter storms effect the economic factor in nature tourism, for example forests get destroyed and cause power cuts.
- By 2045 Sweden aims to have zero net emissions of greenhouse gases.