





# Judge Travel Guide For Grand Prix Malmö

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# 1. How to get to Malmö

#### Copenhagen Airport - Kastrup

Malmö is situated near airport hub called Copenhagen, therefore we would recommend flying there. From there all you need to do is take a train over Öresund bridge that stops at the airport and takes you directly to Malmö Hylie, where the venue is, or to the Central station. The trains leaves every 20 minutes from the Airport. The one-way ticket will cost you around 10€. If you travel in group, you should consider buying a prepaid Jojo card, which will provide you with 20% discount on all rides including trains and buses. The minimum top-up is 200 SEK (22€). Look for Skanetrafiken machines at the exit of the Airport. The cheapest way to get to Copenhagen is to fly with Easylet or Norwgian Airlines.

#### Malmö Airport - Sturup

Malmö also have its own airport which is much smaller and has worse connection to Malmö than Copenhagen. If you wish to travel there, there are buses that go to Malmö central station, tickets cost around 12 euro, and from there, you can take the train to Hyllie. The bus ride takes around 40 minutes. If you plan to fly to Malmö, check airline called WizzAir, which provides very cheap flights there (from Poland, Belgrade and Budapest).

#### Stockholm - Arlanda

We would not recommend flying to Stockholm since it is located 600 km from Malmö. If you will fly there, you will need to take a train that takes about 6 hours and costs about 50-100€ one way. You can buy tickets at SI homepage.

# 2. Traveling inside Malmö

Since a new railway link was introduced in December 2010, a travel between Malmö Central Station and Malmö Hyllie, where Malmö Arena is situated, takes only 7-9 minutes. Trains go also between Hyllie and stations in Copenhagen, Denmark, including Copenhagen Airport and Copenhagen City.

The venue can be reached by city bus lines 5, 6 and 33 and by local bus lines 346, 300 and 170, with 170 going back and forth from Lund. These locations homever aint the best, so I would rather suggest going via Lund C if you are staying in Lund. City buses are colored in green and local buses are colored in yellow.

City bus 5 goes directly from Malmö C to Malmö Hyllie and does so very frequently. The approximate cost for the journey is about 2.3€ (21 SEK) for an adult ticket and can be paid with a credit card, JoJo card or by text message. Payment by text message only works on city buses and only within the city you paid for and can't be used to travel on local buses, even if you are only traveling inside of Malmö. To pay, just text the first two letters in the citys name followed by which type of ticket to 72 040. The different types of tickets are:

- *V (Vuxen)* Adult ticket
- *B (Barn)* Child ticket (within 7-19 years of age.)
- *D* (*Duo/Familj*) Family ticket. This ticket works for 2 adults with up to 3 children, 1 adult and up to 4 children or 5 children without any adults in the party. So if you are a party of five and all below or at 19 years of age, this is a very cheap option to travel. The price of a family ticket is the cost of two normal adult tickets with a 10% discount.

Example: If you are traveling as an adult within Malmö, text MAV to 72040 (Malmö Vuxen) etc.

<u>Important note:</u> Buses DO NOT accept cash as payment.

As a whole, traveling inside of Malmö pretty easy. Timetables are located at every bus stop and if you have a smartphone you can check connections in Skånetrafiken's own application (Just search for "Skånetrafiken" in the AppStore, Android Market etc.) or at skanetrafiken.se. If you don't have internet access there is two customer support centers, one at Lund C and one at Malmö Triangeln or you can just ask a fellow traveler, it is very rare that people are not willing to help by responding to your questions or check the time/connection in their cellphone for you if you just ask politely. If you can get yourself to Malmö C, which is the place where everything is connected to, you can basicly go anywhere inside of Malmö including the venue in a very timely manner.

# 3. Accomodation

Venue is located outside of city centre and there is not much accommodation available there. The best way is to book a hostel near Central Station, Triangel train station or along the Bus line 5 and then use the public transportation to get to Malmo Arena.

- <u>Hotel Ibis</u> and <u>STF Vandrarhem Malmö Eriksfält</u> are about 2km away from the venue and is probably the nearest hotels to Malmo Arena if you are looking for one in the walking distance.
- <u>Hilton hotel</u> is situated near the Triangeln metro station, from where it takes a few minutes to get to venue (1 station). Near there are also <u>Teaterhotelet</u>, <u>Hotel Plaza</u> and <u>The More Hotel</u>.

There are a lot of hotels in the city center. Look for those who are near Central station or Gustav Adolfs Torg, because those are connected with bus, which takes about 20 minutes to the venue. In central station there is also possible to get to metro and travel 2 stations towards the venue (about 10 minutes).

When looking for your accomodation, consider these classic websites: <u>HostelBookers</u>, <u>HostelWorld</u>, <u>Hostels</u>, <u>Booking</u>.

# 4. Tournament Info and Magic in Malmö

## Getting to the venue

The tournament venue is called Malmö Arena. It is located in souther part of Malmo called Hyllie. It is the final stop of bus number 5 and one of the stops of train that rides between Malmö and Copenhagen (also called Hyllie). From both of those stops it shouldn't be a problem finding a venue because it is big and it is well marked.

To get to the venue directly from airports, you should first find the way to the central station and than take the bus 5 unless you are travelling from Copenhagen, you can just take the train to Malmö and take off at Hyllie station.

The adress of the venue is:

Malmo Arena Hyllie Stationstorg 4 215 32 Malmö Sweden

#### **Judge Conference** (copy from DCI-F)

Keeping with traditions, there will be a judge conference in conjunction with GP Malmö, the conference will be held Friday May 18 at the tournament venue. The conference is open to everyone who is interested, regardless of level and whether or not you're judging the GP. The conference will feature workshops and seminars on judging related topics. If you want to present a seminar, please send an <a href="mailto:email.">email</a>. If you would like to present a seminar, but don't have a topic in mind, don't hesitate to contact us and we can help you come up with something. If you want to attend the conference, please indicate so by applying on <a href="mailto:DCI-F">DCI-F</a> so that we know roughly how many will be attending.

#### Magic in Malmö

In Malmö, there is a local game store called Playoteket, at Djäknegatan 2A, very close to Malmö Central station. They are usually running a draft at 6 PM on Thursdays. Since it is Ascension day, there might not be a draft this thursday though.

# 5. Sweden and the Swedes

#### **Basics**

Just to crack up stereotypes, no, Sweden is not a frozen wasteland (can be discussed) and we dont go around with axes, round shields and horned helmets. Now with all the fun and probably everything you know about Sweden proven to be false, how do you survive around here?

Electricity is a good start. In Sweden we have 230 VAC with a frequency of 50 Hz and use Euro type plugs. To save you the pain to Google what an Euro type plug is, the added picture might give you an slight idea.

You might want to change your clock to go according to GMT +1 since it would be quite a shame turning up late for the event to start.

The currency used in Sweden is the Swedish Krona (SEK). Today, you can get 6.85 SEK for \$1 and 8.93 SEK for  $1 \in$  and 10.72 SEK for £1. Most shops accept credit cards such as VISA and Mastercard, with American Express being slightly less popular. There is no great need to keep alot of cash on you, especially since you can easy withdraw money almost everywhere you go. Some smaller shops will require a minimum amout of about 50 SEK  $(5.6 \in )$  for credit card payment.

You can at any time ask for an invoice/receipt for any amount.

Convenience stores is placed requently around the city so it shouldn't be hard to find them. The big supermarkets usually have huge signs pointing you towards them and tend to be open late, but may differ in the weekends. If you would like to purchase some alcohol, you would be able to buy only beer with 3.5% alcohol. If you wish to drink something stronger, you will have to go to special stores called <u>Systembolaget</u>, which is open weekdays 9-18 and Saturday 10-15.

#### Communication

The official language spoken in Sweden is Swedish even though you won't have any problem with even living here for your whole life speaking only English. People who doesn't speak English here is almost non-existing so don't worry, there is no need to put dots above vowels to make yourself understood.

For those out there who have an interest in language and want to be able to communicate with locals on their own language, here is some words and phrases to cover the basic Swedish (which is quite a tricky language to understand):

NOTE: The following letters 'Å, Ä, Ö' is roughly pronounced as following: [o], [e] [oe].

#### Playing Magic

Nice to meet you. - *Trevligt att träffas*. I play first. - *Jag spelar först*. You play first (I draw first) - *Du spelar* 

först (Jag drar först). How many cards do you have in your hand? - Hur många kort har du i

hand? - Hur många kort har du i handen? Fight? - Slåss? ("Declare attackers")

What's your life total? - Hur mycket liv har du?

Please wait a second. - En sekund tack. I concede - Jag ger upp.
Thank you - Tack.

Judge – *Domare*.

#### Traveling

Where is [Malmö Central]? - Var ligger [Malmö Central]?

Is it near here? - Är det nära?

Can I walk there? - Kan jag gå dit?

Does the train stop at [Malmö Hyllie]? -

Stannar tåget i [Malmö Hyllie]?

What's the next station? - *Vad är nästa station*?

How long does it take? - *Hur lång tid tar det*?

I'd like to buy a return ticket. - Jag skulle vilja köpa en returbiljett.

Can you please take me to [Malmö

Arena]? - Kan du vara snäll och visa mig till [Malmö Arena]?

How much does it cost to go to [Malmö Hyllie]? - Hur mycket kostar det att åka till [Malmö Hyllie]?

Where is the closest toilet? - *Var finns* närmaste toalett?

## 6. Tourist attractions in Malmö

Malmo is not the most touristy city in the world, but there are some cool stuff to do if you have some time off.

#### Trip to Copenhagen

If you have a day extra off and you haven't visited capital of Denmark, we would really recommend doing that. It is really easy to get there with train that goes from Malmö Central station, stops at Triangeln and Hyllie and leaves every 20 minutes.

#### Trip to Lund

All the northbound trains from Malmö stop at Lund, which is a beautiful medieval city founded 990 AD. Lund's probably most famous tourist attraction are the cathedral and the clock inside the cathedral.

## **Turning Torso**

Turning Torso is a residential skyscraper that is nowadays a trademark of Malmö as seen on most postcards. It is one of the tallest building in Europe and is situated in the rich part of Malmö in the south near the beach. If you would like to take a romantic walk, this is the place to be in the evening.



### **Squares**

There are 3 squares located in city center which are a must see. They are called Stor Torg (Big square), Lilla Torg (small square) and Gustav Adolfs Torg (classic Swedish king's name). There are a lot of good restaurants located there along with fast food. Between those squares there are main shopping streets.

#### Stadium

There is a stadium (actually two) in Malmö, located between the venue and city centre. It is home to Swedish first devision last year's champions Malmö FF. Malmö is also the city where Zlatan Ibrahimovic started his football carrer.

## Öresund bridge



You will probably go across this bridge on your way from Copenhagen. Otherwise there is a beautiful view of the bridge from the Malmö beach if you would like to make a nice photo for your album. The bridge was built in 2000 and is connecting Sweden and Demark into well developed region called Öresund.

#### **Malmohus Castle**

There is a beautiful castle located in King's park that is worth visiting. It has transformed into a number of museums that are all interesting. In the techincal museum they have a real submarine you can go into.



#### Safety tips

Malmö is a rather calm city at most hours. Not even at night does it light up and give away lots of noice. You can make your way through it at night without any risk greater than in any other big city. You should probably stay out of Rosengård at late hours though, since there is where almost all criminal activity is taking place.

If something should happen, the emergency phone number in Sweden is **1-1-2**. People are in general very helpful so don't hesitate asking for assistance from local citizens if you find it to be needed.

# 7. Where to eat, drink, party

You will not find anything special about Swedish food except the famous Swedish meatballs and sweet Kanelbulle (cinemon bun). But that doesn't mean you won't be able to eat there. You will be able to find restaurants all across the city (better chance in the center) which will serve all types of food. There are a lot of immigrants in Malmö (about 30%), which means you can



find a lot of foreign food there especially Arabic, Balkan and Italian. You should at least once try eating Kebab or Falafel, which is the cheapest way to get a good, fairly healthy and cheap meal.

Drinks are fairly expensive in bars and I would not reccomend drinking there more than a few drinks. Beer cost around  $6\epsilon$  and other drinks are not cheap either. As mentioned before, you will find regular beer only in special storest called Systembolaget, which have limited working hours, so you will have to think in advance.



If you would like to go clubbing there are a lot of opportunities in Malmö.

Near the central station there is one of the largest clubs in the world called Slagthuset (Slaugther house – what was there before it became club). Other famous clubs are KulturBolaget – KB, Babel and Debaser. If you are just looking out to have a drink, hang around and have a little

dance, check the bars aroung the big squares.

#### **Conclusion**

We hoped you liked our Malmö Travel guide and that it helped you plan your trip there and also made your stay more enjoyable. We hope you will like Malmö as much as we do. Remember to share this guide with all your friends that are coming to Malmö, both Judges and players. See you all there!

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On the next page we have included Malmö bus map, because it may prove useful.

