Östa Fishing, classic waters in Dalälven

One of the best, most varied fishing waters in Europe with several species. A unique river landscape with large pike, pikeperch and perch in a wilderness are in Färnebofjärden National Park. Living in well-equipped cabins near the water, only 1 hour 45 min from Stockholm/Arlanda airport.

Season
Our facility is open from 1/5 through 31/10. Pike and perch can be fished all year, but the best periods for the various species are: Pike – April-June and Oct- Nov; perch – July-Sept; and pikeperch – June-Aug.

Species & Records
More than 20 species dominated by pike, pikeperch and perch and with plenty of ide, bream, rudd and others. Pike over 100 cm are common and can reach 130 cm. The record pikeperch weighed in at 11.705 kg, while 1 kg perch are quite common and can reach 50 cm.

Fishing Service
Linder 410 & 440 aluminium boats (4,1 m & 4,4 m) with 4 hp outboards. Fishing area chart, anchor and life jackets. One tank of fuel included in rental price, extra fuel supplied by the host at daily rate. Deposit SEK 1500 / boat on arrival. Restaurant open during summer season. Fishing guide ordered during booking. Variations include rapids fishing at Tyttbo (40 min by boat) or Gysinge that also includes a handsome mill setting, crafts, café/restaurant.

Location & Transfer
Östa lies 135 km NW of Stockholm. The simplest transfer is by car: Arlanda, 112 km, 1 hr 45 min; Nynäshamn, 195 km; Uppsala, 77 km; Västerås, 79 km.
Equipment & tactics
Pike and pikeperch fishing are done from the boat. Once the ice has melted, the pike can usually be found in shallower sections until autumn. In late autumn the large pike collect in deeper water, swimming under large schools of whitefish. Pike and pikeperch are usually taken via spin fishing, trolling and for pikeperch, vertical fishing. The lures include large jigs, spoons, wobblers, jerk bait and spinners. Perch is primarily taken with smaller jigs, spinners and small wobblers.

Regulations
The smallest pikeperch allowed is 50 cm, salmon – 60 cm, grayling – 40 cm. “Catch and release”. You may only keep fish for evening meal, no fish may be frozen and transported home. Catches of pike and pikeperch must be reported to the host before departure. Pike smaller than 50 cm and larger than 100 cm and pikeperch smaller than 50 cm must always be released.

Other activities
The Sala Silver Mine with depths at 155 m. Gårdsjö Moose Park. Nearest shopping in Uppsala, Gävle and Stockholm. Hiking paths in mushroom and berry areas near the mystical Ingbo springs, as well as Alvåsa café and minigolf. Sand beaches stretching for miles with superb swimming and ready-made grill sites.

Languages
At Östa we speak English and Swedish.

Additional info
The fishing preservation area is part of the Färnebofjärden National Park. This is the point at which southern and northern nature meets in Sweden, providing thus an unusually large species selection in both fauna and flora.

Accommodation
Cosy, 66 sq.m. cabins in a pleasant cabin village surrounded by pine forests. Each has 6 beds (1 bedroom with 2 beds, plus 2 bedrooms with bunk beds). Shower/WC. Good-sized main room with sofa, TV and a well-equipped kitchen. Roofed patio with furniture; parking by the cabin. 100-500 metres to beach and boats. There is a service shop nearby, plus a restaurant/pub open in season. Additional cost for the cabin is always heating & electricity, SEK 2 /kwh. Deposit SEK 1500 per cabin on arrival.

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