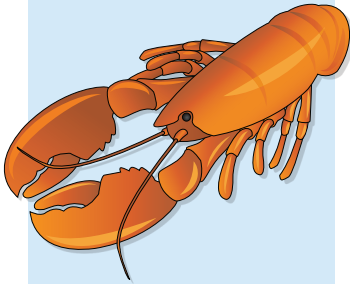


Things you never knew about
**LOBSTER FISHING
IN SWEDEN**



GOTHENBURG Cook-your-own culinary holidays are nothing new, but how about catching your own? For a real nature-to-table experience, head to Sweden's Bohuslän coast (a 90-minute drive from Gothenburg's Landvetter Airport) and join a lobster safari, like the one offered by Sea Lodge (sealodge.se). To celebrate the start of the lobster season, here are few choice facts about Swedish lobster fishing...

1. Lobster season runs every year from the first Monday after 20 September to the end of April.
2. The cold waters off the Bohuslän coast are perfect for lobster breeding, as they allow them to mature slowly.
3. "Creels", or lobster pots, are baited with fish – usually herring – and positioned on the sea floor, marked by buoys above.
4. The lobster walks into one part of the chamber – the "kitchen" – where there is bait, and then tries to exit into a second part – the "parlour" – where it gets trapped.
5. Lobsters are blue-black and glossy; they only turn red when plunged into boiling water.
6. Female lobsters have their roe (eggs) tucked under their tails. These lobsters, along with young ones, are thrown back so the population will continue for the next year.
7. Lobsters can sell for 4,000 SEK (about €485) per kilo at the start of the season, so it's easy to see why they're nicknamed "black gold".
8. Most lobster-safari packages (about 2,470 SEK/€270 per person) include lunch and a lobster dinner.



Bunga Bunga bar's "Romerabilia" theme has its tongue firmly in its cheek

Rome Away From Rome

LONDON We don't all have the wealth and power of Silvio Berlusconi, but now you don't have to be the Italian premier to enjoy a bit of Bunga Bunga action.

Described as "An Englishman's Italian bar, pizzeria and karaoke", a tongue-in-cheek tribute to the president's naughty parties has opened in London. Decorated with Vespa-helmet lamps and full-size portraits of *Il Cavaliere* himself, it has a whole floor dedicated to the Eurovision Song Contest, and punters can order Colosseum-shaped drinks or the exclusive easyJet cocktail – the Easy and Orange – designed for us

by general manager Robin Kay.
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MIX YOUR OWN EASY AND ORANGE Ingredients

- 35ml Bombay Sapphire gin
- 25ml Martini Fiero
- 25ml lemon juice
- 9ml San Pellegrino orange
- 20 peppercorns



Stir all ingredients together and add to a goblet with ice. Lightly grind fresh black pepper over the top for a little bit of spice. Garnish with a slice of orange.

What is there to do at...

THE BASEL AUTUMN FAIR

It's 540 years since the first of these giant Swiss markets. From 29 October - 6 November, head to Petersplatz, at the heart of the fair, for this typical trio of treats...



ROSEKIECHLI
Deep-fried sugar pastries shaped like roses, with powdered sugar on top.



MÄSSMÖGGE
Colourful candies with striped, rock-like shells and soft, hazelnut-cream centres.



MAGENBROT
Translated as "stomach bread", these clove and ginger biscuits are eaten to aid digestion.

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