

SECTION TIME 4–5hours START & FINISH Vänersborg–Sikhalls camping MARKINGS Orange markings on trees, blue crossing signs at roads GOVERNING BODY Vänersborg Municipality

HOW TO GET HERE & PARKING

The trail starts just north of Dalbobron. You turn onto the small road called Länsmansliden at the intersection opposite the petrol station. After about 100 metres you come to the start sign for the section. There is also a small car park here. There is a larger car park, called Sanden at the southern end of Dalbobron (Dalbo Bridge).

ACCOMMODATION & FOOD

In Vänersborg there is a huge selection of accommodation and eating options. See vistity.se.

Along this section of the trail there are two places that offer a campsite, cottage accommodation, eateries and shops. *Ursand's Resort and Camping* ursand.se

Sikhall's Camping sikhallscamping.se

MISCELLANEOUS

The first two sections of the Pilgrim path, between Vänersborg and Holm's church in Mellerud, mostly run along minor roads and so are perfect as bicycle paths as well.



NOTE! Cycling is prohibited on the first 4 km of the Dalbo Trail up to Ursand's Camping!

BLUE - EASY HIKING

Gravel road and/or path with small variations in Elevation. There may be some wet sections.

MORE INFORMATION dalsland.com vandringsland.se



The Pilgrim path DALSLAND Vänersborg-Edsleskog 100 km

PATH SEGMENTS

Vänersborg–Sikhalls camping 19 km
Sikhalls camping–Holms kyrka/Mellerud 29 km
Holms Kyrka, Mellerud–Upperud 15 km
Upperud–Högelund 16 km
Högelund–Edsleskog 21 km

Walk in the footsteps of the pilgrims and become one with the Dalsland countryside! The Pilgrim path in Dalsland is an approved Saint Olaf's trail, which is part of a network of trails on the way to Saint Olaf's grave in Nidaros (Trondheim). Enjoy an experience-filled hiking trail that winds its way through the countryside from south to north. The trail starts in Vänersborg and continues via Holm's church in Mellerud on to the important pilgrim site of Edsleskog in Åmål Municipality. You can hike almost 110km if you want! The southern part of the trail is easy to walk as it mostly runs along small country roads, whereas further north it follows small paths and occasionally offers tougher stretches in hilly terrain. The trail is suitable both for one day trips and trips of several days with overnight stays.

DESCRIPTION PATH SEGMENT 1 19 KM



Vänersborg–Sikhalls camping

The first section of the Pilgrim path is 19 km long and runs from Vänersborg to Sikhall's Camping. This section is easy to walk and offers some very nice views over the enormous Lake Vänern.

The Pilgrim path starts just north of Dalbobron in Vänersborg, the bridge that connects Västergötland with Dalsland. Once you've started, you follow the pilgrim signs northwards and initially follow the Dalbostigen (Dalbo Trail) through the Dalbobergen Nature Reserve. The trail here looks out over Vänern with Halleberg and Vänersnäs in the background. Soon after the start you will pass Vänern's second oldest lighthouse, Bastungen, which was built in 1807.

After about 4 km you come to the well-known Ursand's Resort & Camping, which has swimming, a campsite and an eatery (in the summer). The trail then continues north and takes you through two summer cottage areas, Stigsberget and Bäsingebo, before connecting to the old country road, which you then follow. From here the trail goes through very flat country-side, on very quiet roads, which makes the section very easy to walk.

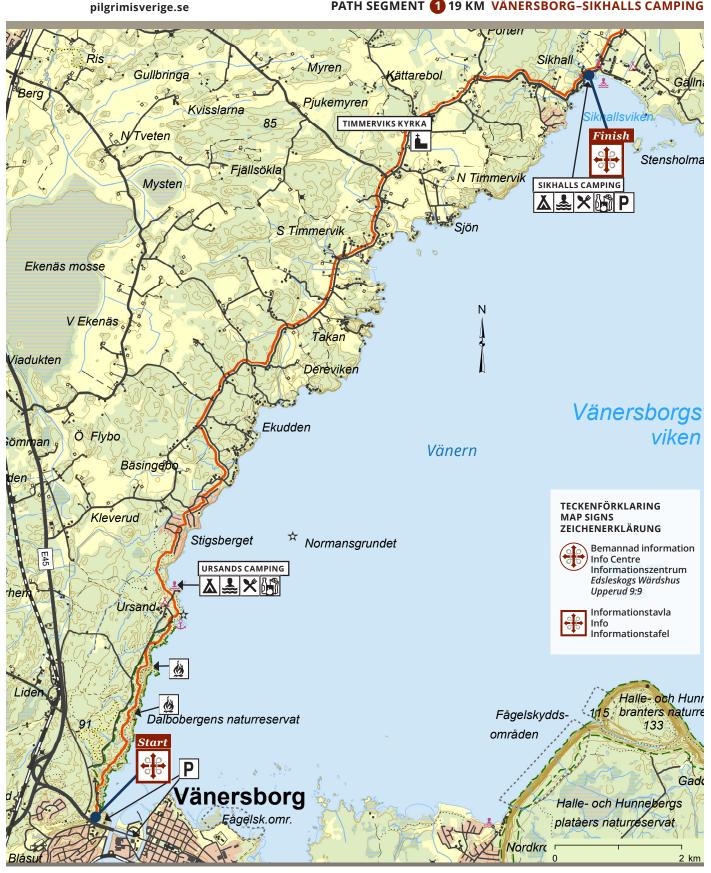
After hiking for 19 km, and about 3 km after passing Timmervik's church, you come to Sikhall's Camping, which during the summer offers a campsite and cottage accommodation, as well as a restaurant and a small shop. It might be appropriate to end the first day of hiking here as it is a long way to the next site that offers overnight stays and provisions.





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PATH SEGMENT 19 KM VÄNERSBORG-SIKHALLS CAMPING



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THE 5 DETAILED SECTION MAPS of the trail can be found at dalsland.com you can download or print them via the QR code and the link below. http://bit.ly/pilgrimdalsland

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