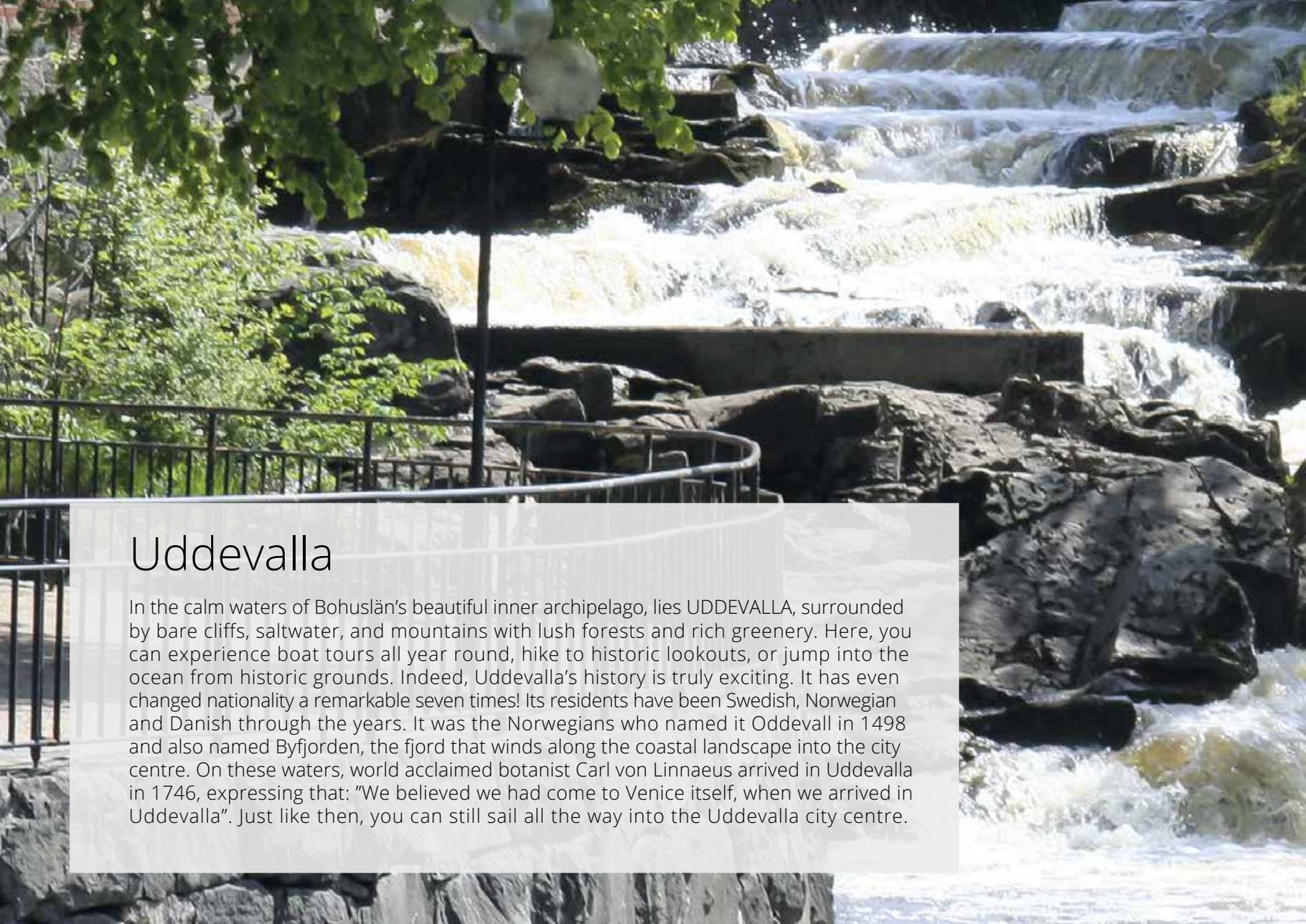


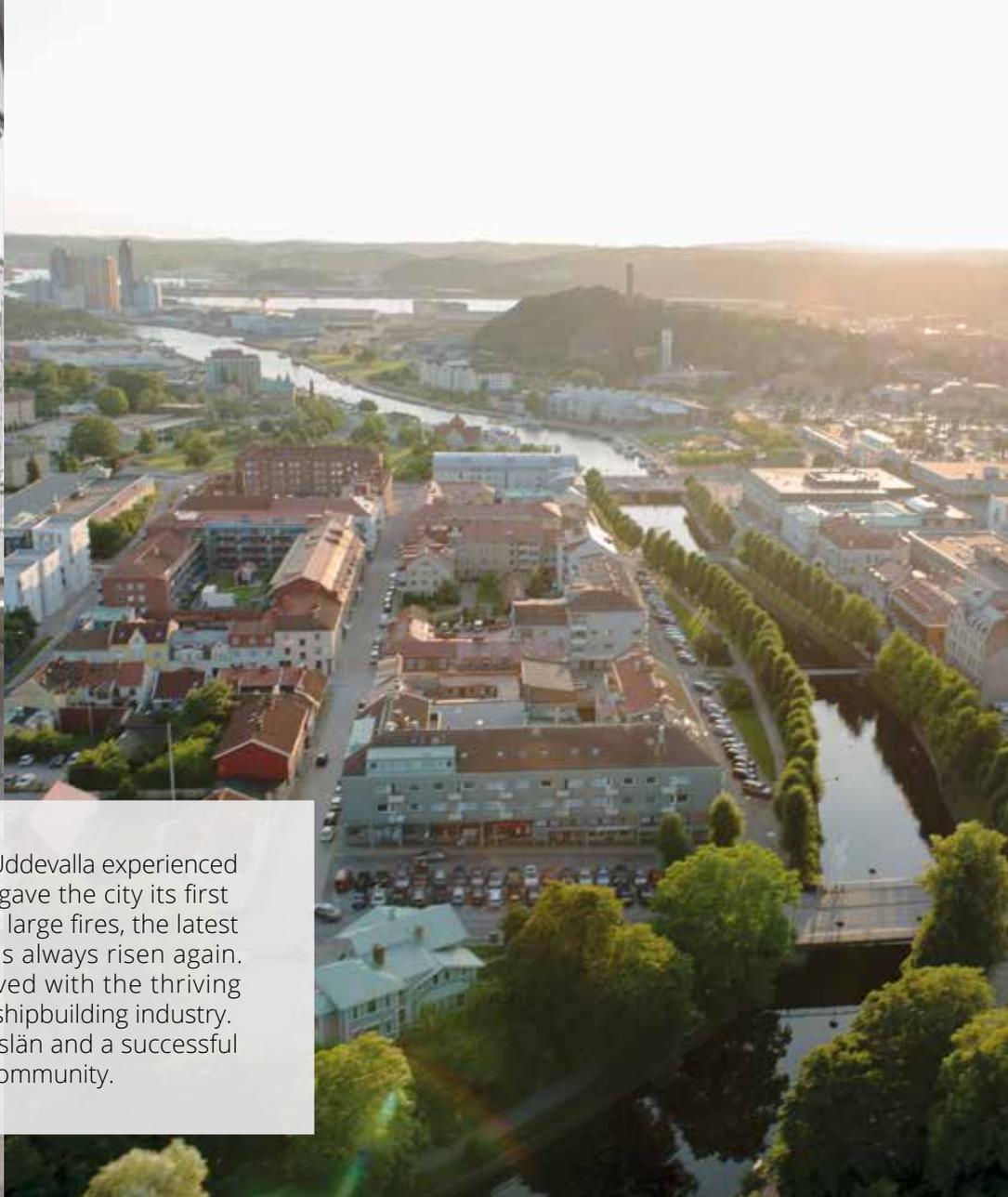
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Uddevalla

In the calm waters of Bohuslän's beautiful inner archipelago, lies UDDEVALLA, surrounded by bare cliffs, saltwater, and mountains with lush forests and rich greenery. Here, you can experience boat tours all year round, hike to historic lookouts, or jump into the ocean from historic grounds. Indeed, Uddevalla's history is truly exciting. It has even changed nationality a remarkable seven times! Its residents have been Swedish, Norwegian and Danish through the years. It was the Norwegians who named it Oddevall in 1498 and also named Byfjorden, the fjord that winds along the coastal landscape into the city centre. On these waters, world acclaimed botanist Carl von Linnæus arrived in Uddevalla in 1746, expressing that: "We believed we had come to Venice itself, when we arrived in Uddevalla". Just like then, you can still sail all the way into the Uddevalla city centre.



During the second half of the 18th century, Uddevalla experienced a real boost when the rich herring period gave the city its first "Gold Age". Despite having suffered several large fires, the latest of which happened in 1806, Uddevalla has always risen again. In the 1950s, the second "Gold Age" arrived with the thriving Uddevallavarvet shipyard and surrounding shipbuilding industry. Today, Uddevalla is the largest city in Bohuslän and a successful commercial centre with a strong business community.



STRANDPROMENADEN / SEASIDE BOARDWALK



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Photographed around 1895

THE SEASIDE BOARDWALK Strandpromenaden is Uddevalla's pride and joy. The wooden boards run snugly along the steep mountain walls and the ocean, all the way from the shellbanks Skalbankarna in eastern Uddevalla, through the city centre and along the coast into Lindesnäs. Many people prefer this route when walking to GUSTAFSBERG, Sweden's first seaside resort. There, you can learn more about royal resort history, stay in the old heated sea bath house and the bath hotel, which today functions as a hostel. Stroll among the well-preserved houses from the 18th and 19th centuries, have a swim, enjoy the view and just relax with a cup of tea or coffee in the lush resort parklands.





Taste

Lyckorna in Ljungskile is another historic seaside resort, founded in 1877 by grocer Robert MacFie. MacFie migrated to Sweden from Scotland after discovering the charm of Lyckorna. Here, prominent summer guests spent time at the heated sea bath house, the cold sea bath house and in the beautiful summer residences. Lyckorna's old clock tower, which used to be the registration office when the resort guests arrived, today houses the mussel bar MUSSELBAREN where you can enjoy the freshest blue mussels you can imagine, with classic accompaniments. It is definitely one of Bohuslän's best gourmet experiences.

A bit further up, Lyckorna boasts a fairy-tale like summer residence from the turn of the 19th century – VILLA SJÖTORP, a hotel with a famous restaurant. It serves the best food and drink in the area, as evidenced by its inclusion in culinary guides White Guide and Sveriges Bästa Bord (Sweden's Best Tables).







Walking around on the shells of animals who lived here more than 10 000 years ago is a mighty experience. Uddevalla is home to the world's largest shell banks. Botanist Carl von Linnæus also visited during his trip to Uddevalla in 1746, describing the site as "one of Bohuslän's wonders".

Pop past the little SHELL BANK MUSEUM and also visit BOHUSLÄN'S MUSEUM with art gallery and exhibitions on the region's fishing, industrial and resort history. Want to explore more? Hop on a 100-year-old archipelago boat and head out on the fjord, or join UPPLEVELSEBOLAGET on a kayak trip where you might see seals.

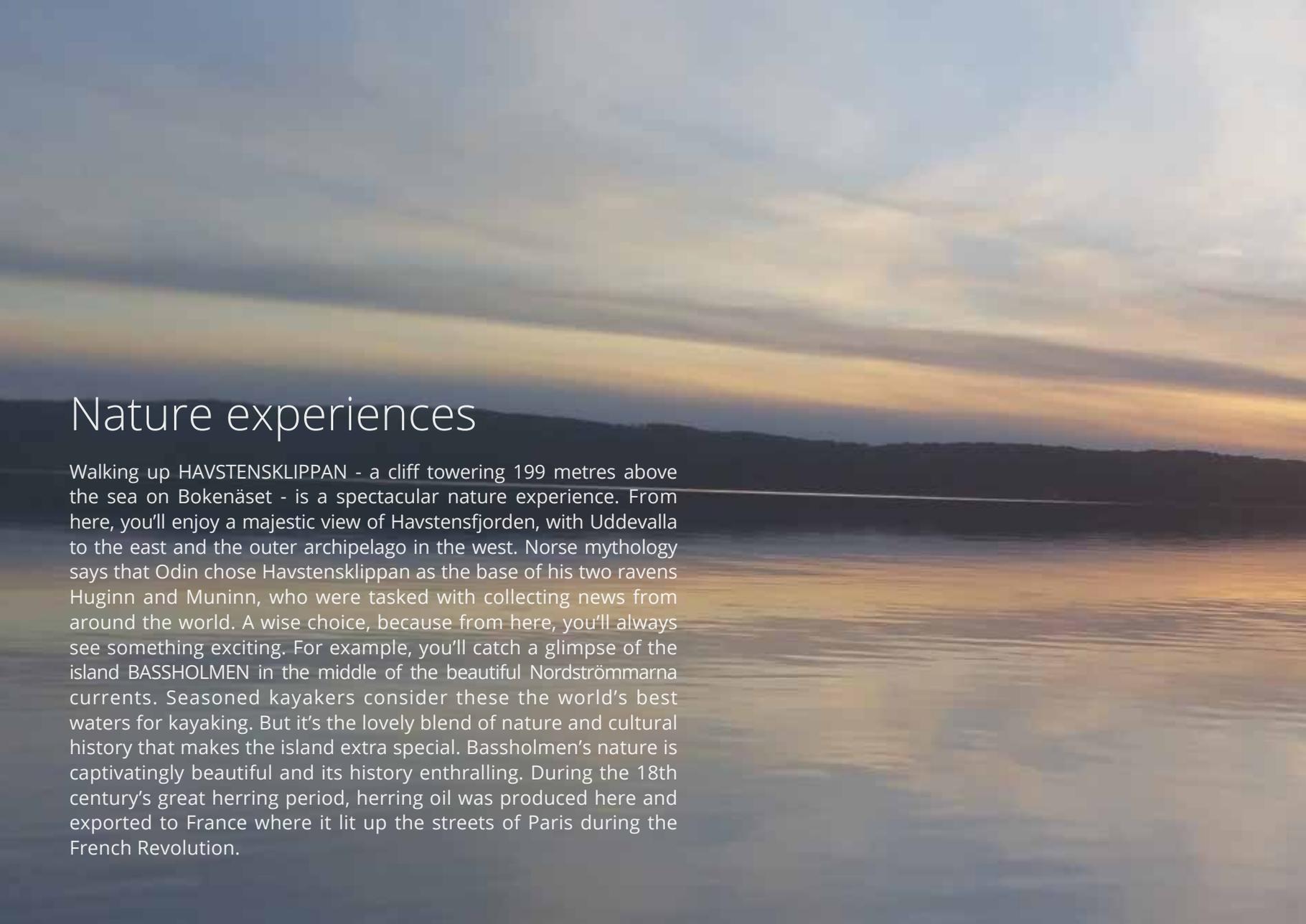




Uddevalla's ARCHIPELAGO BOATS



Experience some of the world's best kayaking waters with UPPLEVELSEBOLAGET



Nature experiences

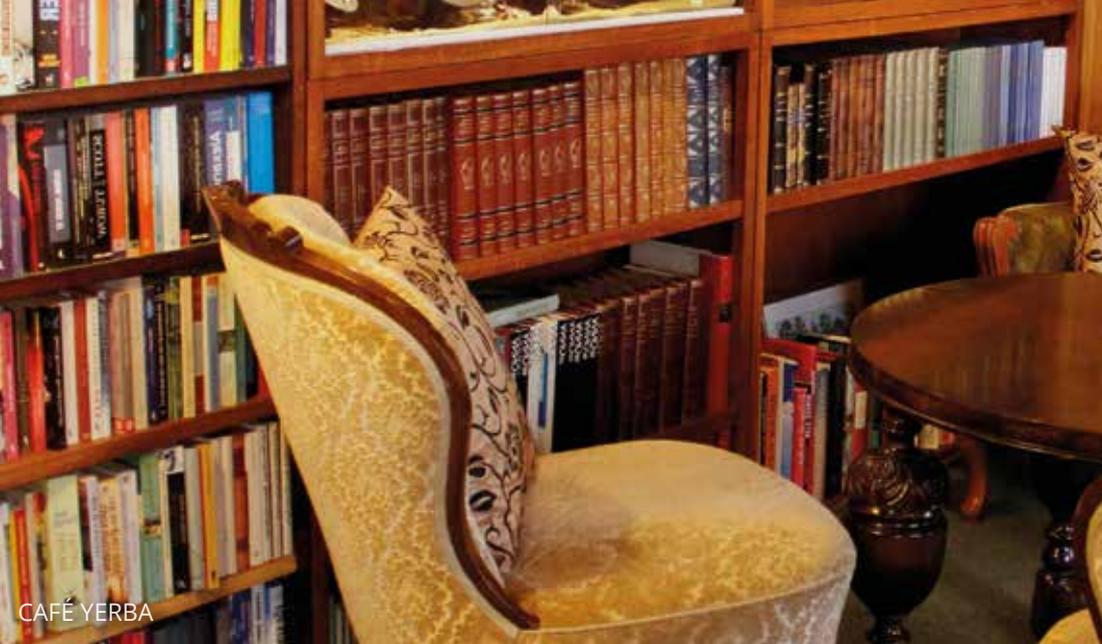
Walking up HAVSTENSKLIPPAN - a cliff towering 199 metres above the sea on Bokenäset - is a spectacular nature experience. From here, you'll enjoy a majestic view of Havstensfjorden, with Uddevalla to the east and the outer archipelago in the west. Norse mythology says that Odin chose Havstensklippan as the base of his two ravens Huginn and Muninn, who were tasked with collecting news from around the world. A wise choice, because from here, you'll always see something exciting. For example, you'll catch a glimpse of the island BASSHOLMEN in the middle of the beautiful Nordströmmarna currents. Seasoned kayakers consider these the world's best waters for kayaking. But it's the lovely blend of nature and cultural history that makes the island extra special. Bassholmen's nature is captivatingly beautiful and its history enthralling. During the 18th century's great herring period, herring oil was produced here and exported to France where it lit up the streets of Paris during the French Revolution.





Flavoursome fun

Enjoy delicious coffee or tea in CAFÉ YERBA's wonderful garden, a surprisingly quiet and calm oasis in the city centre. You'll encounter more of a crowd at LEJAS CAFÉ by Kungstorget town square. Here, every pastry is a piece of art and virtually everything is home baked from organic produce. If you'd rather take your tea or coffee in an environment frequented by royal and well-to-do summer guests in the 18th and 19th centuries, patisserie SNÄCKAN at Gustafsberg is a safe bet. The seaside resort setting offers cakes and delicious sandwiches by the waterfront.





Pâtisserie KONDITORI SNÄCKAN



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LEJAS CAFÉ



Our stunning bridge

You can't miss it when you visit or pass through Uddevalla. The powerful landmark UDDEVALLABRON's pylons create diamond-like prisms reaching 149 metres up into the sky. The bridge was opened in 2000 and has become a firm favourite with photographers all year round, from all angles, and in all types of weather. The bridge is also pictured on a stamp.



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