Baltic Sustainable Boating 2030

Season 2024 review from Hamnsundet Guest Harbour Åland Islands, Finland



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INTRODUCTION

Hamnsundet Guest Harbour situated in the north east corner of the main island.

- Up to 25 moorings in addition to 15 seasonal moorings for locals.
- 300 boat visitors this season.
- 30,000 annual boat overnights in Åland (60% main island and 40% the archipelago)

Season 2024 Review

- Improvement on visitor numbers (moorings, campers and cafe bar)
- The challenge remains visitor concentration in the month of July.
- Most visitors come from mainland Finland and Sweden
- A booking system to be evaluated for 2025

Guests requirements

- Electricity, sauna & showers, restaurant
- Activities, access to shopping, repairs
- Fuel and septic tank emptying is important.
- Trash disposal
- Welcoming attitude leads to longer stays

Co-operation between the Baltic Region marinas

- The Finland Sweden route is well-known and established.
- Visitors from further away such as the Baltic states, Poland, Germany, Denmark and Norway.
- Charter boats and peer-to-peer rentals such as Skipperi
- Knowledge among boaters about collaboration between guest harbors in the Baltic Sea region encourages cross -border travel