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The Swedish Swimming Federation and the host cities of Göteborg and Borås extend a warm welcome to all Australian Master Swimmers and supporters to the XIII FINA World Masters Championships 2010 in Sweden. It is a great honour for us to be chosen by FINA to organise all the FINA Masters aquatic disciplines in 2010; Swimming, Diving, Water Polo, Synchronised Swimming and Open Water Swimming.

The characteristic features of Göteborg, nearby Mölndal and Borås cities is the concentrated areas with hotels, restaurants, theatres, museum, parks, recreation areas and shopping all located close to each other. The different venues are within walking distance of each other or a short trip on the tram.

All this will give competitors from all over the world and especially all the Master Swimming enthusiasts I met up with in Perth at the XII Worlds, the opportunities to meet with fellow Masters, enjoy the Swedish lifestyle, visit all the exciting attractions in and around the cities and compete with high performance in their own discipline.

The Organising Committee look forward to seeing you all on the beautiful West coast of Sweden in July, 2010

Ingmar Lundström

Executive Director - Organising Committee
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Flight Schedules

"Group reservations" are being held with **Singapore Airlines**, our preferred airline for the XIII FINA World Masters Championships for departures from Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and Perth to Singapore and Frankfurt. Direct flights from Frankfurt to Göteborg will be with Lufthansa Airlines and returning to Frankfurt from either Göteborg or Stockholm if you are joining the Post Tour.

Current flight details are as follows and flight timings, transit times and routings will be noted in your Confirmation Letter.



FINA Championships only

Tuesday	27 July	Dep.	Australia	mid pm
Wednesday	28 July	Arr.	Göteborg	10.20 am
<i>(via Singapore & Frankfurt)</i>				
Sunday	08 August	Dep.	Göteborg	7.40 am
Monday	09 August	Arr.	Australia	late pm
<i>(via Frankfurt & Singapore)</i>				

Championships & Stockholm Post Tour

Tuesday	27 July	Dep.	Australia	mid pm
Wednesday	28 July	Arr.	Göteborg	10.20 am
<i>(via Singapore & Frankfurt)</i>				
Wednesday	11 August	Dep.	Stockholm	6.40 am
Thursday	12 August	Arr.	Australia	late pm
<i>(via Frankfurt & Singapore)</i>				



Alternative flights e.g. airline, dates or departure ports can also be requested (see **Amendments** section in **Booking Conditions**). Alternative flights may incur additional fees and "best available" airfares will be advised accordingly. Please note all flights are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Please note your preferred **departure date, departure airport and return date** on the enclosed **Booking Form and/or Itinerary Planner**

Accommodation

We have confirmed reservations at 2 properties in Göteborg - both personally inspected by our Company representative Brian Travers. Both properties are within walking distance of the Valhalla Swimming Arena and public transport and close to the city centre. The anticipated numbers participating will ensure demands for accommodation will be at a premium.



The Hotel Lorensberg - a 3 star family owned hotel located in the centre of Göteborg's cultural and entertainment district. A large portion of the city is within walking distance from this hotel. Free coffee and fruit available in the lobby



IHM Apartments - consist of rooms with 2 x single beds or a single bed and sofa bed. All rooms have their own kitchenette, refrigerator, shower, toilet, cable TV and phone, common dining area with cooking facilities. Bar and restaurant on site.

Championships Tour Costings

IHM Apartments

AU\$3790.00 per person twin share
2 x single beds

AU\$3680.00 per person twin share
1 x single bed + 1 sofa bed

AU\$4060.00 per person
Single room

Hotel Lorensberg

AU\$3980.00 per person twin/double share
Standard room - 2 x single beds or) 1 x double bed

AU\$4050.00 per person twin/double share
Superior room - 2 x single beds or) 1 x double bed

AU\$4780.00 per person
Single standard room

Tour Cost Inclusions

- Return economy class airfare - Singapore Airlines/Lufthansa, Sydney/Brisbane/Melbourne/Perth to Göteborg and return
- Return Göteborg Airport/hotel transfers - only for tour members travelling on "group" flights
- Mini guided tour of Göteborg on arrival - Wed 28 July
- 11 nights accommodation including breakfast
3* Lorensberg Hotel or) IHM Apartments
- Local hotel taxes ○ Souvenir polo shirt

Tour Cost Exclusions

- Meals not noted in Tour Costings Inclusions
- Optional sightseeing tours
- Items of a personal nature e.g. telephone calls, laundry, minibar etc
- Airport departure taxes
- Travel Insurance
- Championship Registration - please contact your local Masters Club or register "on-line"

Stockholm Post Tour Costings



AU\$875.00 per person twin share
AU\$1055.00 per person single room
Based on a minimum of 15 tour members
travelling together



Post Tour Itinerary

Sun. 08 Aug Göteborg/Stockholm
Coach transfer to Göteborg train station for a **9.30 am train** to Stockholm Central Station. On arrival you will be met by our tour representative and taken on a brief tour of Stockholm including the Vasa Museum, Old Town & the Royal Castle before arriving at the **Hotel Kung Carl**, located at Stureplan in the heart of Stockholm

Mon. 09 Stockholm
Day at leisure to explore one of the most beautiful capital cities in the world. Clean water, green parks and the architecture make Stockholm a fantastic city for both indoor and outdoor activities.

Tue 10 Stockholm
Day at leisure for sightseeing activities - Stockholm's 750 year old history, rich culture, unique range of world-class museums, restaurants and shopping will make your visit an unforgettable experience

Wed 11 ... depart Stockholm
Private coach transfer to Stockholm International Airport for your departure flight

Tour Cost Inclusions

- Coach transfer from Göteborg hotel to Göteborg train station
- Göteborg/Stockholm economy class train ticket
- Meet and greet service on arrival Stockholm
- Stockholm train station/hotel coach transfer with sightseeing tour
- 3 nights accommodation Stockholm with buffet breakfast (only)
- Private coach transfer Hotel/Stockholm Airport

Tour Cost Exclusions

- Optional sightseeing tours
- Travel Insurance
- Items of a personal nature e.g. telephone calls, laundry, minibar
- Airport departure taxes
- Entry fees on sightseeing tour
- Gratuities for guides and drivers



Booking Conditions and General Information

Booking and Payment Procedure

To request your reservation, please complete all details on the enclosed **Booking Form** and Itinerary Planner and return to our office together with a **non-refundable deposit of AU\$500.00 per person**.

Balance of payment will be required 07 June 2010 and a final invoice will be forwarded prior to this date noting final Tour Cost and Departure Taxes - and where applicable - travel insurance, travel extensions etc. Additional charges will apply for credit card payments i.e. 1% for Visa/MasterCard/Bankcard, 3% for Amex/Diners.

All reservations are subject to availability at time of booking.

Tour Costings

Tour Costings are based on current airline schedules & fares, current exchange rates, taxes & service charges as at 23 October 2009.

The Championships only tour is based on a minimum of 30 persons travelling together.

The Stockholm Post Tour is based on a minimum of 15 persons travelling together.

Tour Costings are subject to change should any of the above conditions be affected.

Flights

Tour costs are **only** valid for the flights noted under "**Flight Schedules**". If you require alternative flights or dates please note accordingly on the Booking Form. Additional fees may apply if you require alternative flights or departure ports.

Documentation

All passengers require a passport with at least **6 months** validity beyond their intended stay. A visa is currently **not** required for Australian passport holders for Sweden.

If you are travelling on an alternative passport, or traveling to alternate countries, please contact your local Consulate or our office for visa requirements.

Departure Taxes

Australian departure taxes are **not** included in Tour Costings as they are subject to change and vary with departure ports. Departure taxes are "**currently**" AU\$690.00 per person and the correct amount will be added to your final invoice.

Cancellation Penalties

Cancellation fees per person will apply as follows. Cancellations must be advised in writing ...

Tour cancelled following receipt of deposit \$500.00
Tour cancelled after 07 June '10 up to 75% of tour cost

Travel Insurance

Travel insurance is recommended to cover cancellation fees, loss of baggage, illness etc. Travel insurance will **not** cover cancellation due to business or personal reasons. If you wish to receive **our** preferred Travel Insurance brochure please note accordingly on the Booking Form.

Amendments

If you wish to change your booking following confirmation, a request must be made in writing. Additional fees may apply and will be advised accordingly.

Travel Extensions

We would welcome the opportunity to assist any tour members wishing to extend their travel arrangements. The attached **Itinerary Planner** may assist your travel planning and should be completed and returned to our office.

Please be aware that bookings for travel extensions or "alternative" travel arrangements may incur "alternative" payment conditions e.g. payment due at time of booking and this will be advised at the time of booking.

Luggage Allowance

Normal luggage allowance for economy class is 20 kgs for checked luggage and 5 kgs for hand luggage. Additional charges may apply for excess luggage.



For Bookings and Further Information

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