



# Bear Research Excursion in the wilderness

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## Description:

We meet in Kvarnberg – in one of the most bear dense areas of Sweden. Here we meet Andrea or Gunther who are working with bear research since 1998. They take us through an exhibition where we get an introduction on how research on wildlife bears is done. When we have learned how to immobilize a bear and other research practices, we head for the bear area and visit interesting spots where bears have been during a longer period and where we find lots of tracks from them. We visit a recently used den where we search for traces from the female and the cubs. We will also look for hair and scat samples and collect some data for the research. Some of the bears in the area have been radio marked. You can try the method that is used for localizing them without disturbing them. After some fundamental information about the bears' life we continue to a scenic spot and have lunch by a campfire in the wilderness. Here we have the opportunity to ask more questions about research and the bears. With thrilling stories, newly made coffee and information on how to behave in case of a bear encounter, we round off this experience full tour into the wilderness and leave the bear area and get back to civilization.

*Follow this thrilling bear excursion and learn more about this fascinating carnivore!*

**Date:** This tour is offered from May to September. Pre-booking required!

**Excursion time:** approx. 5-6 hours

**Participants:** 4 – 12 participants

**Price:** Please see the current price information on [www.bjorn-vildmark.com](http://www.bjorn-vildmark.com)



**Place & time:** Meeting place is Kvarnberg, 45 km north from Orsa, at European road 45. (First entrance, follow the sign Björn & Vildmark). The event starts at 14:00 in Kvarnberg and ends 20:00 if nothing else is announced. Transport during excursion occurs by participants own car. We drive on forest roads.

**This is included:** Guide with long experience of bear research, visit of bear research exhibition, presentation: "Bear research in Sweden". Guided tour to a bear den, tracks and signs. Food and coffee at an open fire place.

**Languages:** Swedish, English, German

**More:** Recommended age from 10 years. Participants should be able to walk freely in the forest. We walk in between 300 – 1200 m in different kinds of terrain. Difficulty: middle/rough. We recommend that you wear weatherproof clothes, waterproof shoes or boots for the tour, long sleeve shirts and long trousers, camera, binocular and lunch packet when needed. Please visit Björn & Vildmark's homepage for more information.

**Optional:** Overnight stay in 4-bed cabin