Getting to Haparanda Sandskärs Bird Observatory

For staff members the bird observatory has chartered boat-trips from Staffans near Sangis, normally on Saturdays.

The observatory director is responsible for making boat-trip reservations between the mainland and the island for observatory staff. All other travel arrangements are up to each individual. Since we must coordinate the boat trips, arrival and departure dates should be agreed upon with the observatory director before reservations are finalized.



Boat from the mainland to Sandskär

Staffans – Sandskär

The chartered trips for bird observatory staff are normally made on Saturdays. The schedule is determined in cooperation with the travellers and the transportation provider. If the weather is bad, the schedule may change. Advice for those who arrive by bus: You book your trip to Sangis. Food for the stay at Sandskär can be ordered in advance from Coop Nära Sangis and be picked up after arrival. Transport from Sangis to Staffans can normally be arranged with another staff member or with the skipper.

Getting to the boat

Luleå – Sangis, Boden – Sangis

For schedules, go to http://www.ltnbd.se/.

Most buses to Haparanda also stop in Sangis, at the bus stop by main road E4. You can take line 20 or line 100. The travel time is 1 hour 50 min.

Long distance travel Stockholm – Sangis – Haparanda

Times subject to change.

Connections and travel planner: http://www.resplus.se/

When you book your plane, train and/or bus tickets, you are advised to choose rebookable tickets as the schedule for the boattrip to and from Haparanda Sandskär may change due to weather conditions.

Train, Plane and Bus Combos

Option 1 (fastest, most expensive)

Train (X2000 Stockholm – Sundsvall) + Bus (Länstrafiken bus 100 Sundsvall – Haparanda)

Travel time: approximately 14 hours

http://www.sj.se/, http://www.ltnbd.se/

Option 2

Night train (Stockholm – Luleå) and bus (Luleå – Haparanda or Stockholm – Boden) and bus (Boden – Haparanda)

Travel time: 16 to 18 hours http://www.sj.se/, http://www.ltnbd.se

Option 3 (cheapest, no transfers)

Tapanibuss (night bus)

Schedule and reservations: http://www.tapanis.se/ You have to tell the driver that your stop will be in Sangis.

Option 4 (airplane and bus)

Stockholm – Luleå with SAS http://www.norwegian.com Airport bus from Luleå airport (Kallax) to Luleå bus station Bus (Länstrafiken) to Sangis or Haparanda.

By Car

To Staffans

Road south from E4 in Säivis about 7 km east of Sangis. The last part of the road is blocked off by a barrier gate. You will need to make arrangements with Rune Lindqvist to have the gate opened.

Accommodations

Sangis

Sangis campground. There are rooms and cabins.

Haparandav. 2, 952 72 Sangis

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Luleå

There are a lot of hotels in Luleå city and nearby. Look at the website www.booking.com