

## **Guide on how to use Blocket**

Blocket is a big second hand site where you can find pretty much anything - housing, cars, furniture, electronics, garden gnomes, everything! Most relevant to you will of course be accommodation and perhaps a bike or some furniture. It's a great place for finding both rooms, sublet apartments and even whole villas. The bad part is that the site is only available in Swedish which can be quite annoying if you don't speak the language. Therefore we have made this little guide to make it a bit easier for you to start using the site.

### **General tips:**

- Just like the site itself, the ads will almost always be in Swedish only. However, most Swedes speak English well and haven't included English in the ad simply because exchange students haven't crossed their mind. Therefore you should not let the language deter you from contacting a landlord. Just use Google translate to see what the ad says.
- Ads can pop up any time during the day and especially around the beginning of the fall semester there might be a lot of applicants per ad. Have a look a few times per day and contact a landlord immediately if you find something interesting.
- If you message a landlord, do include a few lines about yourself so that the landlord can get a general picture of you. Simply stating that you're interested will most likely sort you out when there are a lot of applicants. If you call the landlord, do take any time difference into consideration so that you don't accidentally wake someone up in the middle of the night. The country code for Sweden is +46.
- Don't limit yourself to Linköping or Norrköping. Since those cities are where the LiU campuses are located, that is where everyone wants to live. Do look at accommodation in the neighboring locations such as Motala, Mjölby and Boxholm where there will be a lot less applicants. It's easy and relatively cheap to commute, please see our [guide](#) on it.
- When renting a room or a sublet apartment, furniture will often be included. If this is not the case however, at least consider the offer and getting your own furniture. It can be hard to find accommodation in the beginning of the fall and if you turn down an offer because a lack of furniture it might extend your search for a place quite a bit. You can find cheap furniture at the second hand store chains [Myrorna](#), [Erikshjälpen Hjärta till hjärta](#) and [Stadsmissionen](#) as well as on the [LiU notice board](#) and on Blocket. Boring as it might be, an almost empty apartment is better than no apartment!
- In Sweden, an apartment with "two rooms" means one bedroom and one living room, not two bedrooms. Three rooms means two bedrooms, four means three bedrooms etc.

### **Key words to look for:**

**Lägenhet** - apartment. You can find both sublet apartments and first hand contracts. Please note: Ads might also say "del i lägenhet", "delad lägenhet" or "rum i lägenhet" ("part of apartment", "shared apartment" or "room in apartment") which means you'll be a lodger and won't have the apartment to yourself.

**Rum** - room. You will share the house or apartment with the landlord.

**Hus or Villa** - house or villa. This means the whole house is rented out and is usually sublet.

**Torp or Stuga** - cottage. Usually rented out per week as a vacation home but some people rent one out as permanent housing. Often in the countryside which might require a car.

**Mån or månad** - month, as in rent per month. Rent is always paid per month in Sweden.

**Vecka** - week. Some accommodation is rented out per week and is then a vacation home or some other type of temporary housing. This is not suitable as a long term solution since it is usually pretty expensive but can work if you need something temporary.

**Andrahand or i andra hand** - sublet

**Inneboende** - Lodger

**Pendlare or veckopendlare or övernattningsrum** - weekly commuter or overnight room. The accommodation is only available between Sunday night and Friday morning/afternoon. Therefore not a great option since you'll need to find separate housing for the weekends.

**Tillsvidare** - until further notice. This means that the accommodation does not have a time limited contract and won't terminate unless you or the landlord choose to do so.

**Korttid or tillfälligt** - Short time or temporary housing.

**Uthyres** - for rent

**X rum 1 kök/X ROK** - x rooms and 1 kitchen ("rok" stands for "rooms and kitchen"). The amount of rooms include a living room, so a three-room apartment for example means two bedrooms and one living room. There is always a bathroom with shower and/or a bathtub in all apartments and houses in Sweden, so don't worry if this is not mentioned in an ad.

**1:a, 2:a, 3a, 4a etc.** - Means a one room apartment, two room apartment etc. Apartments can also be described as "etta", "tvåa", "trea" etc (one, two and three rooms, respectively).

**"15/8 - 30/10"** - Dates telling for how long an accommodation will be rented out. Dates are written as day/month, for example between the 15th of August to the 30th of October.

**Möblerad** - furnished

**Omöblerad** - unfurnished

**x kvm or kvadratmeter** - x square metres.

**Hyra** - rent

## A picture guide on getting an account, searching for housing and contacting landlords

1: Click on any ad to see the "send message/show phone number"-buttons:

**blocket**  
**bostad** ◀ Tillbaka till resultatet · Nästa bostad ▶

LÄGENHET - LINKÖPING

### Omöblerad 2:a nära universitet och city

Hej,  
Omöblerad tvårumslägenhet på 52 kvadrat finnes för uthyrning från 1 maj. Den är tillgänglig fram till 2019 men det kan eventuellt bli längre. Lägenheten har balkong och ligger i ett trivsamt område nära universitet, gamla Linköping och centrum. Hyran ligger på 7400 kr inklusive bredband, el och vatten. Kontakt önskas via mail.

*Annonsören har i enlighet med Blockets regler lovat att INTE kräva förskottsbetalning eller deposition innan lägenheten är visad och hyresavtal är skrivet.*  
*Hyr lägenhet tryggt!*

- Uthyres korttid

Uthyres av: [REDACTED]

**After registering an account you will be able to see contact information for a landlord here.**

📞 076 - visa numret💬 Skicka meddelande

✎ Ta bort, ändra, förnya

#### Hyra tryggt

Betala inget i förskott, innan du sett lägenheten och skrivit kontrakt. Safely renting: no deposit before having seen the apartment and signed a contract. [Fler tips](#)

## 2: Get an account or log in("logga in"):

Skicka meddelande

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Du behöver logga in för att kunna skicka meddelande

Har du inget Blocketkonto?  
Skaffa det [här](#).

Logga in

Sett lägenheten och skrivit kontrakt. Safety n a contract. Fler tips

"Do you not have an account? Get one here."

## 3: Log in, create an account or get help if you forgot your password:

Logga in på Blocket

Med ett konto på Blocket kan du göra allt detta:

- ✓ Skicka och ta emot meddelanden
- ✓ Hantera & följa annonser
- ✓ Spara favoritannonser
- ✓ Skapa bevakningar

Logga in eller [skapa konto](#)

E-postadress

Lösenord [Visa](#)

Håll mig inloggad

Logga in med SPÖD

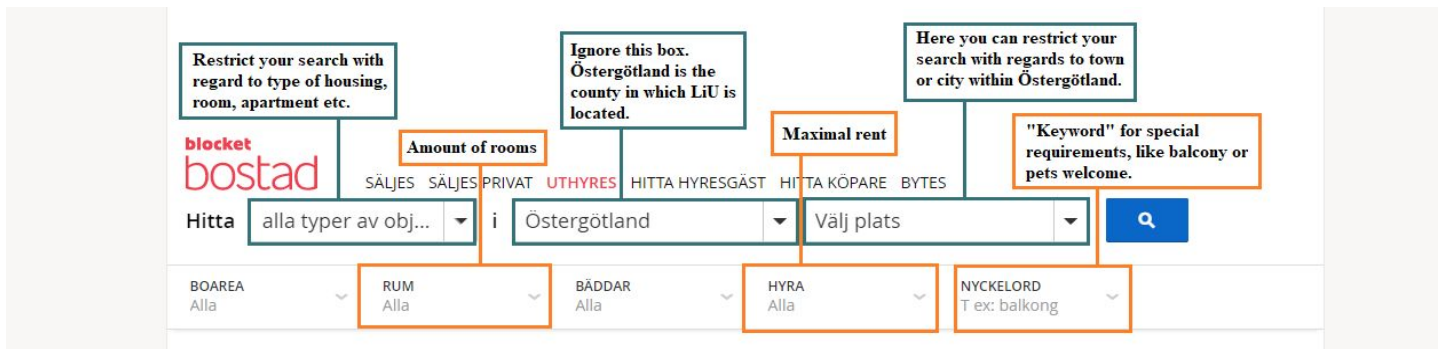
[Glömt lösenordet?](#)

Har du butik? [Logga in här!](#)

Forgot your password? Click here!

Problem med inloggningen? [Här får du hjälp!](#)

4: When searching you can do a few helpful restrictions. If you leave the boxes as they are you will be shown all types of housing, rents, towns etc:



We hope this guide will make your search a little less daunting, good luck!

