

KOMBO

# HOUSING LINKS AND TIPS

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Links and tips to use to find accommodation of all sorts. For newly admitted students at Linköping University.

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# STUDENT HOUSING

The first thing to do – and do it now – is to sign up for all student housing companies in Linköping or Norrköping:

[Studentbostäder in Linköping AB](#)

[Byggvesta AB](#) (Linköping, Colonia) You can register in their website, just mark the box "Ej svenskt personnummer" if you do not have a Swedish personal identity number. For further help or information? Send an email to [colonia.student@byggvesta.se](mailto:colonia.student@byggvesta.se).

[Studentbo i Norrköping AB](#)

If a Swedish personal identity number ("personnummer") is required when you register, please contact the landlord by phone or e-mail and get help with the registration.

Log on to the landlord's website regularly to keep your queue points. You will not be offered accommodation automatically – you need to apply actively.

Also, please remember to register at student housing companies in other cities if you have applied for courses at several Universities. Do it anyway, perhaps you will do your thesis somewhere else in a couple of years. [Sök studentbostad](#) is a good place to start.

# HOUSING COMPANIES

The following companies provide regular (non-student) apartments. Most of the websites are in Swedish, but you can use [translate.google.com](http://translate.google.com) or Google Chrome to translate them. It is not always a perfect translation but it can help you find their contact information.

Remember that it is often much easier to find accommodation if you're willing to commute.

Vikingstad, Mantorp, Mjölby, Boxholm and Åtvidaberg are all within reasonable commuting distance to Linköping so please remember to take a look at the accommodation available in these places. Some helpful links are provided below. Remember, at the start of fall semester, a lot of students arrive and all are looking for somewhere to stay. Even if you want to live in a corridor in Ryd, consider living in Mjölby for a while, or share a regular apartment with another student until your dream home becomes vacant.

If a Swedish personal identity number ("personnummer") is required when you register, please contact the landlord by phone or e-mail and get help with the registration.

Log on to the landlord's website regularly to keep your queue points. You will not be offered accommodation automatically – you need to apply actively. To landlords that require you to send a letter of interest on their website we recommend that you read [Take Charge](#) for tips on what to remember when applying for accommodation. That information isn't updated regarding new laws of subletting, so please ask us if you have any questions.

## Linköping and Norrköping

[Stångåstaden](#) (Linköping)

[Hyresbostäder](#) (Norrköping)

[Victoria Park](#) (Linköping)

[Willhem](#) (Linköping. They have student offers)

[Botrygg](#) (Linköping. They have some apartments only rented to members of I-sektionen or Stockholms Nation at Linköpings University)

[HSB](#) (Linköping & Norrköping)

[Riksbyggen](#) (Linköping & Norrköping)

[Vasaparken](#) (Linköping. They have offer housing to students)

[Centrum Förvaltning AB](#) (Linköping)

[Henry Ståhl Fastigheter AB](#) (Linköping & Norrköping)

[Bonäsudden](#) (Linköping)

[LBB Fastighets AB](#) (Linköping)

[LE Lundberg Fastighets AB](#) (Linköping & Norrköping)

[Magnussons](#) (Norrköping)

[Von Dufva Fastighets AB](#) (Linköping)

[Lindstén CityFastigheter AB](#) (Linköping)

[Lindstrands Bygg AB](#) (Linköping)

[Länsförsäkringar Östgöta](#) (Linköping)

[Mannersons Fastighets AB](#) (Linköping)

[RE Fastigheter](#) (Linköping)

[Peab](#) (Linköping)

[Duvkullens Fastighets AB](#) (Linköping)

[Linköpingsgårdar AB](#) (Linköping)

[Fastighetsbolaget Östgötaporten](#) (Norrköping)

[Adekto fastigheter](#) (Norrköping)

[Berg & Co Fastighetsförvaltning](#) (Norrköping)

[Brabo Stockholm AB](#) (Norrköping)

[Bremström fastigheter](#) (Norrköping)

[Fastighets AB Corallen](#) (Norrköping)

[Din Bostad](#) (Norrköping and other districts)

[Eklöfs fastighets AB](#) (Norrköping)

[Familjen Westerberg fastigheter](#) (Norrköping)

[Rikshem](#) (Norrköping)

## Other towns

[Åtvidabergs bostads AB](#) (Åtvidaberg, about 30 minutes from Linköping - they have small and cheap apartments!)

[Bostadsbolaget](#) (Mantorp, 12 minutes commute and Mjölby 20 min commute to Linköping Resecentrum.)

[Boxholmshus](#) (Boxholm, about 30 min commute to Linköping Resecentrum)

[Bonäsudden](#) (Vikingstad 10 min, Rimforsa 50 min, Linghem 5 min, Ljungsbro 30 min, Sturefors 20 min, all commuting times are to Linköping Resecentrum)

[Lidéns Fastigheter](#) (Several different municipalities)

[Bostadsstiftelsen Platen](#) (Motala, about 1 hour commute to Linköping Resecentrum)

[Din Bostad](#) (Tranås, they offer special student prices on housing and the municipality offers a 50% [travelling grant](#) for students travelling expenses)

At [Commuting](#) you find links to bus- and commuter train time tables.

At the municipality websites you can find more complete lists of landlords

[Linköpings municipality](#)

[Norrköpings municipality](#)

[Mjölby municipality](#)

[Åtvidabergs municipality](#)

[Boxholms municipality](#) (it's possible to apply for a [scholarship](#) if you are a registered resident in the Boxholm municipality and are a full-time student)

[Motala municipality](#)

## OTHER PLACES TO LOOK

Most of these pages are in Swedish, you can use [translate.google.com](http://translate.google.com) or Google Chrome to translate them. It is not always a perfect translation but it can help you find contact information. Some of these pages can't search for specific cities - you have to search by region, which is Östergötland or Östergötlands län.

Housing ads at KOMBO

[LiU Noticeboard](#)

[Blocket](#) Please read [Blockets guide to safely renting](#)

[Bo Tillsammans](#) (site for people who want to share apartments and also look for roommates)

[Östgöta Correspondenten](#)

[Qasa](#) (service for sublease)

[Hemnet](#) (collects ads for accommodations for sale)

[Bovision](#) (collects ads for accommodations for sale)

[Realtors Linköping](#)

[Realtors Norrköping](#)

[Omboende](#) (links to different municipalities web sites and their lists of housing companies)

There are many different services that collect ads for rental apartments, sometimes free, but often with a one-time or monthly fee. In general, we do not recommend creating an account with these services, as many of them have unclear user rules, very limited supply, or many out of date ads for Linköping

and Norrköping. It takes more time to search on each landlord's website for ads, but it is safer and the information is more up to date. If you have any questions or concerns, and are a student at LiU, you are always welcome to contact KOMBO.

## TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION Hostel

There are commuter service to the hostels outside Norrköping and Linköping. Remember to check the commuter train or bus services at [Östgötatrafiken!](#) Most of these pages are in Swedish, but you can use [translate.google.com](#) or Google Chrome to get assistance with translating. It is not always a perfect translation but it can help you find contact information.

[Hostel Linköping](#) (Linköping)

[TeoTess Logiservice](#) (Linköping and Norrköping)

[Mjellerumsgården](#) (Linköping)

[Glyttinge camping](#) (Linköping)

[Valla folkhögskola](#) (Linköping)

Tinnerbäckens vandrarhem (Linköping)

Mörnersg. 3 B, 582 25 LINKÖPING Phone: +46 (0)13-712 73 or +46 (0)70-321 22 86

[Hilma Winblads bed and breakfast](#) (Linköping)

[Apartments Sweden Home](#) (Linköping)

[Hostel Norrköping/Aborreberg](#) (Norrköping)

[A Marican Hostel & Hotel](#) (Norrköping)

[Bed's Rumsuthyrning](#) (Norrköping)

[Forenom](#) (short-time rent of furnished apartments, Norrköping)

[Gustad Bed & breakfast](#) (Vikingstad)

[Hostel Bergs slussar](#) (Berg)

[Ljungsbro hostel](#) (Ljungsbro)

[Hostel Lunnevad/Mantorp](#) (Sjögestad)

[Kullagården](#) (Linköping countryside, car is recommended)

[Hostel Mjölby](#) (Mjölby)

[Hostel Arkösund](#) (It is possible to rent for a longer period of time)

## Emergency Accommodation

KOMBO arranges Emergency Accommodation at the beginning of the autumn term. This is very basic temporary accommodation (air mattress on the floor). You can learn more about our Emergency Accommodation on our website under Good to know.

## Other temporary accommodation

[RumAkuten](#) is a service where you can find housing ads, mainly from landlords who want to rent housing for shorter periods. The paid membership gives you access to contact information for 3 months.

You can also find temporary accommodation through [Couchsurfing](#).

[AirBnb](#) is a site where you can find temporary housing by renting a room, apartment or house from a private landlord for a shorter period.

## COMMUTING

Mjölby, Mantorp, Vikingstad and Boxholm are examples of towns/communities close to Linköping, you find a list of housing companies at [Housing companies](#).

Bus and train timetables at [www.ostgotatrafiken.se](http://www.ostgotatrafiken.se). Sometimes the travel planner will have a difficult time choosing the best bus stop for your travel. To find a good bus stop near campus Valla try: Universitetet, Universitetet Golfbanan, Gamla Linköping, Campushallen or Solhaga. To find good stops near campus US try Maskincentralen, US Södra Entrén or US Norra Entrén. To find good bus/tram stops near campus Norrköping try Väster Tull, Norrköping Resecentrum, Norr Tull or Hospitalsgatan.

The university also provides a free shuttle bus - "Campusbussen" - between the Campus Norrköping, Campus US and Campus Valla, it takes about 50 minutes from Norrköping to Valla. The bus line is operated between 5:25 and 18:25 during the weekdays. You find more information on [www.liu.se/campusbussen](http://www.liu.se/campusbussen).

## Places that are easy to commute from!

[Lingham](#) (6 minutes by commuter train to Linköping train station)

[Vikingstad](#) (8 minutes by commuter train to Linköping train station)

[Mantorp](#) (15 minutes by commuter train to Linköping train station)

[Mjölby](#) (20 minutes by commuter train to Linköping train station)

[Boxholm](#) (32 minutes by commuter train to Linköping train station)

[Åtvidaberg](#) (35-45 minutes by commuter train or bus to Linköping train station)

[Motala](#) (45 minutes by commuter train to Linköping train station)

[Borensberg](#) (21 minutes by direct bus to Gamla Linköping)

[Norrköping](#) (40 minutes with the Campus bus, free for students! 27 minutes by commuter train to Linköping train station)

[Ljungsbro](#) (25-30 minutes by bus to Linköping train station)

[Sturefors](#) (25 minutes by bus to Linköping train station)

[Tranås](#) (50 minutes by commuter train to Linköping train station, the municipality offers a 50% [travelling grant](#) to students)

[Haga](#) (ca 10 minutes with tram to Norrköping train station)

[Kimstad](#) (ca 27 minutes with commuter train to Norrköping train station)

[Söderköping](#) (33 minutes in total with bus to Norrköping train station and then walking to campus)

[Skärblacka](#) (33 minutes in total with bus to Västertull and then walking to campus)

[Hageby](#) (26 minutes in total with tram and then walking to campus)

## Wenjia rented a room in Ljungsbro and then a corridor room in Ryd, read her story

Hej, my name is Wenjia and I spent the fall semester 12/13 at Linköping University as a German exchange student. I arrived in Linköping without having a place to sleep. Like hundreds of other exchange students, I was desperately searching for an apartment in the biggest student accommodation area Ryd. Facing the fact that I didn't have sufficient queue points at Studentbostäder, I started looking for other solutions. I talked to a lot of other students, teachers and student organizations, especially KOMBO. Fortunately and by chance, I found Mia. Mia had been working at the University for years. She and her husband, Göran, agreed to help out by offering two rooms at her home in Ljungsbro, about 16km from the University.

After a 50 min bus ride from the University I arrived in Ljungsbö. From the very beginning I felt very comfortable at their place. Mia and Göran were great in providing a cozy home for me. We spent a lot of time together. One weekend, we went to collect mushrooms at a local forest. I learned how to chop wood and make köttbullar and saffransbröd. During the evenings, we often had dinner together or just sat on the couch having funny conversations. It was nice getting to know more of the Swedish culture; and I very much liked the Cloetta chocolate factory. I would often jog along the Göta kanal down to the Roxen Lake and enjoyed the beautiful countryside and endless nature.

After two months I was offered a corridor room in Ryd, which provided more opportunities to get to know people and hang out with friends I had already made. Of course, it was convenient living close to the University, but given the difficult housing situation I strongly recommend to consider other alternatives especially when first getting there. Most likely one will come across housing opportunities in Ryd after the first few weeks. In hindsight, I was very fortunate to experience the Erasmus student life, and more importantly, I got to spend a lot of time with an incredibly nice Swedish family which is something I wouldn't want to miss.

## PERSONAL IDENTITY NUMBER

If you will be studying in Sweden for less than one year, you'll not be able to apply for a Swedish personal identity number, in Swedish called Personnummer. You use a personal identity number as a identification, particularly on the Internet. Without a personal identity number it will be difficult to use different services like online shopping or start a subscription for a mobile phone or Internet. When you register at different web sites it will usually require a personal identity number. You can use the majority of these services without a personal identity number but you have to visit or call the company providing the service. Below is a list of the most common services you may use, and how you can manage without a Swedish personal identity number.

## PAY YOUR BILLS

In order to pay bills an online bank service is often required which you can't have without a Swedish personal identity number. Instead, you can pay your bills at a local postal service. Examples of postal services in Linköping:

- Ryd Direkten - 35 SEK/bill
- Direkten Godishuset, Skäggetorp Centrum
- Grändens Spel & tobak, Nygatan 22

## INSURANCE

Länsförsäkringar: Have a student insurance for exchange students.

Phone: +46(0)13-29 00 00

Follow the instruction in this information letter: [Student insurance for exchange students](#).

## PHD-STUDENT

KOMBO is a resource for newly admitted students at bachelor and masters level. As a PhD-student you are more than welcome to use the information that is available on the KOMBO website on how to find accommodation.

The three student accommodation companies in Linköping and Norrköping all have queue point systems. In Linköping Studentbostäder have made an exception that makes accommodation on Tröskaregatan 10 and Tröskaregatan 12 available for PhD-students to live in, all the other accommodation is for students at bachelor and masters level. ByggVesta allows PhD-students if there is accommodation available and you have enough queue points. In Norrköping StudentBo prioritizes students at bachelor and masters level during the fall and if they have accommodation available during the spring they will give you a contract that will be terminated the 31st of July so that they can offer the accommodation to the newly admitted students at bachelor and masters level in August.

We recommend you to create accounts with the student accommodation companies to collect queue points. Take a look at LiU Noticeboard or Blocket for a fast way to find accommodation.

Our ads on the KOMBO website are unfortunately reserved for the students at bachelor and masters level.

Some departments may offer a relocation service. Please contact your [department](#) for more information.

## MORE ADVICE

Through KOMBO you will find ads for sublet apartments and shared accommodation. Register and upload proof of admission to see the ads.

Most of the time, but not always, the accommodations are furnished, and the rent includes electricity and Internet. Ask the landlord if furniture, electricity and Internet are included if you are unsure.

It's common for the landlords here to only have one room or apartment on offer. Be polite, make a good impression and keep your appointments to increase your chances of getting accommodation.

Be prepared to accept temporary accommodation, at least for a couple of months.

Don't despair if you haven't found permanent accommodation when you depart. It's still possible to find housing when in Linköping, but your options will be more limited. We recommend that you organise temporary accommodation before your departure by booking a room at a hostel or hotel.

Please contact KOMBO if you have any problems with your landlord or questions about the Swedish rental law, contracts, landlords or housing companies. We provide several [Templates](#) that you can use when writing contracts or making comparisons.

You can find a booklet named Take Charge at [jagvillhabostad.nu](http://jagvillhabostad.nu). Although it is focused on the big city regions, it provides many useful tips on how to find something.

# THE APARTMENT HUNTERS GLOSSARY

Swedes are generally good at English, but you will still most likely encounter accommodation ads that are written in Swedish. Hopefully, this short glossary can help you out.

Swedish	English
Möblerad	Furnished
Omöblerad	Unfurnished
Pentry / kokvrå	Kitchenette
Kök	Kitchen
Spis	Stove
Kyl	Fridge
Frys	Freezer
Micro	Microwave oven
Dusch	Shower
Badkar	Hot tub
Toa / toalett	Lavatory / toilet
Bastu	Sauna
Rökfri	No smoking
Rökare	Smoker
Husdjur	Pets
Inackorderingsrum	Rented room (in villa or apartment) boarding room
Korridorssrum	Dorm room / corridor room
Lägenhet	Apartment
Hus	House
Ej / inte	Not / no (as in ej möblerad = not furnished)