

EXPLORE THE MOUNTAIN ON YOUR OWN

There are few places in Sweden where nature is as accessible as in Abisko. Diverse types of mountain arias are very close to the tourist station - moorland, birch forest and bare mountains are within reach of a short hike. Here are some tour that we suggest - some are short and some a little longer. All are meant for those who want to roam around in Abisko National Park alone or with friends.

Marble quarry and Njakajaure nature trail—5 km ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

Follow Kungsleden two kilometers to the quarry. The yellowish-white rock is composed of limestone dolomite. Up on the cliff, go left into the Njakajaure nature trail. The trail passes through diverse habitats. Black-throated Diver breeds in the lake Njakajaure and Arctic Terns often fly over the water. Around the lake there are occasional pine. The path back to Abisko passes over open heaths with permafrost. On these moors grows Lapland Rosebay, Mountain avens and orchids.

Height difference: +/- 50 meters

Grade of difficulty: Easy

Distance: 5 km

Follow these markings:



Abiskojäkkas canyon—1,4 km ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

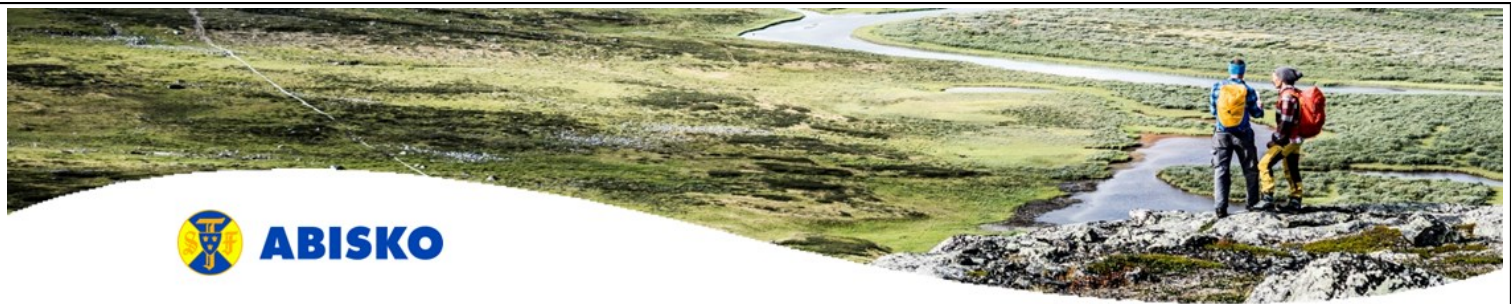
Downstream Abiskojäkka plunges into a tunnel made during the construction of the railway. Follow signs to Rallarmuseet and Nuolja Ski hut. The path downstream along the canyon starts behind the large boulder that was left here during the Ice Age. Dippers are nesting here. It grows flowers, lichens and mosses on the canyon walls of hard shale and dolomite. A few hundred meters down is a bridge, where you can cross the creek and follow the trail on the other side back, or continue the path downstream, for a slightly longer hike.

Height difference: +/- 20 meters

Grade of difficulty: Very easy, but be careful when walking close to the steep cliffs

Distance: 1,4 km

Not marked



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Kårsa waterfalls—8,1 km return ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

Follow the road to the cable car station, 30 meters after the bridge that crosses Abiskojokka turn left and follow the path. After 600 meters the path parts, follow the path that runs parallel to Abiskojokka. This path goes through a park-like birch forest and then on a boardwalk over marshland, it can sometimes be a little difficult to follow the trail at this point. There are towering pine trees in the forest and around Kårsajåkka is a sparse virgin pine forest. There are both grouse and squirrel. In Kårsajåkka, from the bridge and up, there are many beautiful small waterfalls.

Height difference: +/- 50 meters

Grade of difficulty: Easy/medium

Distance: 8,1 km return

Follow these markings:



Rihtunjira naure trail—7 km return ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

Follow the road towards the cable car station, 30 meters after the bridge that crosses Abiskojokka turn left and follow the path. After 600 meters the path parts, follow the trail upstream along the creek Rihtunjira in a dense birch forest. Higher up the stream forms a series of waterfalls. Above the tree line the trail crosses the stream. You come out on the flowering heaths and meadows. Floral richness depends on the lime in the soil. The path goes under the cable car and then turns sharply upwards towards the mountain station. Stop by the mountain station and enjoy the view and a coffee before heading down again (or combine the tour with "Nuolja summit 1164 m.a.s.l." to get a total distance of 10.8 km).

Height difference: +/- 530 meters

Grade of difficulty: Strenuous/hard

Distance: 7 km return

Not marked

Nuolja summit 1164 m.a.s.l.—3,8 km return ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

The tour starts at the top station of the cable car. So start with a ride in Swedens oldest and longest chair lift, or combine the tour with "Rihtunjira nature trail 7 km".

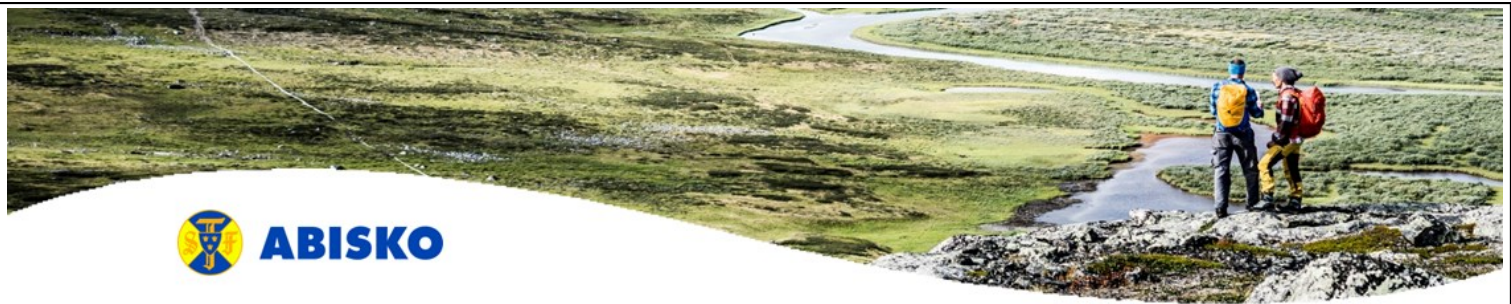
Follow the winter track markings to Björkliden. During the summer you will hike through sparkling flower meadows with both mountain avens and moss campion, and above the tree line, it is not impossible to see the occasional reindeers and grouse. The trail forks after 900 meters, follow the path to the right to reach the Nuolja summit 1164 m.a.s.l.

Height difference: +/- 264 meters

Grade of difficulty: Strenuous/medium

Distance: 3,8 km return

Not marked



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Nissunjåkka bridge—8,2 km return ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

Follow Kungsleden four kilometers to the suspension bridge. Kungsleden is on this stretch easily and time varying. Barely a kilometer after the quarry, the trail goes down a step edge and over a small bridge. Here are traces in the terrain after several of Nissunjåkka's older outlets. In some years the terrain gets flooded with heavy spring floods. On the other side of the suspension bridge is a picnic area with shelter and fire-place.

Height difference: +/- 30 meters

Grade of difficulty: Easy

Distance: 8,2 km return

Start following these markings to the marble quarry, then kungsleden:



Sami camp—1,2 km return ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

Go to the big car park in the back of the train station, cross the car park and follow the path signposted with Paddus nature trail. After 300 meters you will reach the Sami camp, a reconstruction of the life of a fall and spring camp. The camp includes storage buildings, huts and drying racks, with a little explanation to all buildings.

Height difference: +/- 20 meters

Grade of difficulty: Very easy

Distance: 1,2 km return

Follow these markings:



Paddus offering site—12,5 km return ■ ■ ■ ■ ■

Paddus is a place of sacrifice which the Saami used to sacrifice animals in order to get good hunting Luck. Exactly where on the hill offering site was located is not known, but probably it was at the eastern cliff. Start by going to the Sami camp, across the Sami camp the path continues. There are many different paths that have been created by, reindeer herds that have gone up the mountain. But just follow the marks on the trees and toward Lappporten, and it should be no problem finding your way. Throughout the hike, the trail will be in an upward slope. The path goes through birch forests and mires, and if you are lucky, you can see both reindeers and grouse. There are small lakes along the trail which are perfect to cool off in on a hot summer day. The offering site is located on a hill that can be clearly seen when you are getting closer. It is easiest to take the same route back, but one option is to go from Paddus on a path in a south-westerly direction to Nissonjohka and follow it downstream to Kungsleden and follow this back to the tourist station.

Height difference: +/- 220 meters

Grade of difficulty: medium

Distance: 12,5 km return

Follow these markings:





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You are here

- Marmorbrottet & Njakajaure naturstig
- Abiskojaikka kanjon
- Kårsafallen
- Rihtunjira naturstig
- Nuoljatoppen
- Nissunjaikka hängbro
- Paddus offerplats

Björkliden

Njullá

1164

Fågelskyddsomr.

Abeskosuolu

Abisko

Naturreservat
Forskningsstn

Meditationsplats

Vuolip Njähkäjavri

469' Bajip Njähkäjavri

Njähkäcavil

Báddosdievvá

Gorsaskáidli

Abisko nationalpark

Abiskojaikka
Abeskosuolu

Kårsajákka
Gorsajohka

Nissunjaikka