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Programme for the State Visit to Poland

Their Majesties The King and Queen of Sweden will pay a State Visit to Poland on 10–12 March 2026 at the invitation of President Karol Nawrocki.

The Swedish Government will be represented by Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard, Minister for Defence Pål Jonson, Minister for Civil Defence Carl-Oskar Bohlin, Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestränd and State Secretary Diana Janse, Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

The business delegation, arranged by Business Sweden on behalf of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, includes 66 Swedish companies and Team Sweden actors with just over 100 representatives.

Tuesday, 10 March

11.00 Official welcome ceremony and bilateral meeting, Presidential Palace

The King and Queen are welcomed to Poland by President Karol Nawrocki and his wife Marta Nawrocka at an official welcome ceremony at the Presidential Palace. The ceremony includes an honour guard, performances of national anthems, and military honours. Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestränd represent the Government. The welcome ceremony is followed by a private meeting between the King and Queen and the President and First Lady.

The King then takes part in a bilateral meeting together with Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestränd, President Nawrocki and his advisers. Mrs Nawrocka simultaneously accompanies the Queen on a private visit to the opera.

Finally, the President and the King make press statements to the assembled media.

12.45 Wreath-laying ceremony, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

The King and Queen take part in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Piłsudski Square. The monument, consisting of the remains of the Saxon Palace, honours the sacrifices made by unidentified soldiers who have fallen in conflicts, particularly during the First World War. The tomb contains the remains of a soldier who died in the defence of Lviv in 1918, a city that belonged to Poland until 1939 but now lies in Ukraine. Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestränd attend together with the official Swedish delegation.

13.10 Meetings at the Sejm and Senate

The King and Queen, Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand visit the Parliament, where they meet the Marshal of the Sejm and the Marshal of the Senate. A floral ceremony takes place at the memorial wall commemorating parliamentarians who died during the Second World War.

Lunch

The Marshal of the Senate hosts a lunch at the Palace on the Lake in Łazienki Park.

Meeting with the Swedish community

The King and Queen, together with the Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Minister for Culture, meet members of the Swedish community at a reception at the Swedish Residence, hosted by Sweden's Ambassador to Poland, Martina Quick.

State Banquet

In the evening, the President and First Lady host a State Banquet in honour of the King and Queen at the Presidential Palace.

Wednesday, 11 March

09.00 Seminar on the Barnahus model in Poland

The Queen and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand take part in the seminar "*Barnahus model in Poland, Sweden and Europe: progress and road forward in Poland*" to strengthen support for implementing the Barnahus model in Poland. Barnahus offers children suspected of being victims of crime the opportunity to tell their story to specially trained staff in a safe and child-friendly environment. Instead of being passed between various authorities, children meet the responsible actors in one place.

09.00 Civil Defence Forum "Stronger Together"

The King, Minister for Civil Defence Carl-Oskar Bohlin and State Secretary Diana Janse participate in the civil defence forum "*Stronger Together*". It is organised by Business Sweden together with the City of Warsaw and focuses on increasing cooperation between Sweden and Poland in the areas of total defence, critical infrastructure and resilient societies. The forum is officially opened by moderator Katrine Kielos. The King, Mayor Rafat Trzaskowski, Minister for Civil Defence Carl-Oskar Bohlin, and Poland's Minister of the Interior Marcin Kierwiński each deliver an address. This is followed by a panel discussion on public perspectives on total defence, with Polish and Swedish government representatives responsible for coordination of national defence. Swedish participants include Fredrik Jurdell from the City of Stockholm and Mikael Frisell, Director General of the Swedish Civil Defence Agency.

11.00 Museum of Warsaw

The King and Queen, Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand visit the Museum of Warsaw. They are welcomed by the museum's director, Dr Katarzyna Wagner. The visitors meet Polish and Swedish researchers participating in the full-day seminar held in parallel with the State Visit to discuss shared Swedish–Polish cultural heritage and how it can be made more accessible. The museum director also gives an introduction to the museum and its exhibition. The visit is followed by a lunch hosted by Dr Katarzyna Wagner.

13.45 Meeting with Ukrainian children

The King and Queen, Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand visit a bilingual educational project for Ukrainian children.

15.00 Swedish–Polish conference on innovation, investment and entrepreneurship

The King and Queen, Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard, Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand and State Secretary Diana Janse take part in the Swedish–Polish Conference on Innovation, Investment and Entrepreneurship, “*Scaling Innovation for Europe: Sweden and Poland in Partnership*”. The conference, held at the Copernicus Science Centre, follows up on the conclusions of the Swedish–Polish business meeting held in Stockholm in November 2025. Topics for discussion include how Polish talents and start-ups can be matched with established Swedish companies and investors to create leading innovative enterprises. Particular focus will be placed on young people as innovators and entrepreneurs. Through presentations and discussions, the conference highlights the best ways to strengthen competitiveness for sustainable growth in Poland and Sweden, as well as within the EU. Moderator of the conference is Katrine Kielos. Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard delivers an opening address, followed by a panel discussion featuring Swedish and Polish business leaders and university rectors. Examples of successful collaborations between small and medium-sized Polish and Swedish companies are then presented.

Reciprocal Dinner

The King and Queen host a dinner in honour of their Polish hosts at the Royal Castle in Warsaw.

Thursday, 12 March, GDANSK

The third day of the State Visit takes place in Gdańsk.

11.15 European Solidarity Centre

The King and Queen, Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard, Minister for Defence Pål Jonson and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand visit the European Solidarity Centre. They are welcomed by the Mayor of Gdańsk, Aleksandra Dulkiewicz, and the Centre's Director, Magdalena Mistat. After a wreath-laying ceremony at the Monument to the Fallen Shipyard Workers of 1970, a meeting is held with former President Lech Wałęsa. This is followed by a guided tour of the centre, with particular focus on Swedish support for the Solidarity Movement during the 1980s.

11.30 Defence Ministers bilateral Submarine visit & press conference. Minister for Defence Pål Jonson and Minister of Defence, Deputy PM, Wladyslaw Kosiniak Kamysz meet the press at 3rd Naval Flotilla, Gdynia, in connection with the visit of the Swedish Submarine HMS UPPLAND.

12.30 Gdańsk Old Town

The King and Queen, Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand are welcomed at the city gate by the Mayor of Gdańsk, Aleksandra Dulkiewicz. The guests walk from the city gate to the historic Town Hall, where the King and Queen visit. At the nearby Artus Court, Swedish students in Gdańsk and Polish students studying Swedish at the Scandinavian Faculty greet the visitors.

Lunch

The Mayor of Gdańsk, Aleksandra Dulkiewicz, hosts a lunch.

14.30 Museum of the Second World War

The King and Queen and President Karol Nawrocki visit the Museum of the Second World War, accompanied by Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand. The museum's director, Professor Rafał Wnuk, welcomes the guests, after which a guided tour is held, focusing on the Second World War in Poland and the importance of remembering and not repeating the past.

15.30 Barnahus Gdańsk

The Queen visits the Gdańsk Barnahus together with Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand. They are welcomed by Beata Wojtkowska, Deputy Chair of the Empowering Children Foundation (ECF), a partner organisation in Poland to the World Childhood Foundation. After presentations on the working model of the Children's Rights Centre in Gdańsk by ECF staff, a discussion is held on how the work can be further strengthened in Poland. The visit concludes with a tour of the facilities.

15.30 Baltic Sea Security Talks

The King, Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard, Minister for Defence Pål Jonson and State Secretary Diana Janse participate in the Baltic Sea Security Talks. The conference is organised by Business Sweden together with the Casimir Pulaski Foundation and takes place at the Wybrzeże Theatre. The conference aims to further develop the strong Swedish–Polish partnership on defence and security in the Baltic Sea region and to build on the Strategic Partnership signed between Sweden and Poland in November 2024. After an introduction to security and defence cooperation in the Baltic Sea region by moderator Katarzyna Pisarska, the King gives an opening address, followed by an address on behalf of the President delivered by state secretary Marcin Przydacz. Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard then gives a speech, followed by a panel discussion between Minister for Defence Pål Jonson and Poland's Deputy Prime Minister/Minister of Defence Kosiniak-Kamysz.

17.00 Hevelianum at Dom Zdrojowy, on the beach in Gdańsk

The King and Queen, Minister for Foreign Affairs Maria Malmer Stenergard and Minister for Culture Parisa Liljestrand visit the Hevelianum science centre's premises at Dom Zdrojowy on

the beach in Gdańsk. Representatives of the City of Gdańsk, Dom Zdrojowy and the Swedish–Polish organisation Race for the Baltic present Swedish–Polish cooperation initiatives aimed at improving water quality in the Baltic Sea and protecting the environment.

After the visit, a meeting with the media is planned.

Farewell ceremony

As the final item on the programme, a farewell ceremony is held before departure.

The State Visit concludes in the evening, when the King and Queen leave Poland.

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