7. Kabbarp

The agricultural landscape around the Kabbarp farm is beautiful. The farm is located high on the fault scarp, a few kilometres east of Gränna, with a panoramic view over Lake Vättern and Visingsö.

The pastureland around the farm in Kabbarp is varied and has much wildlife. It is gently undulating, open pasture, with narrow areas of flat rock, grazing land with old, large trees: oak, elm and ash, and also groups of aspen, wet wooded pasture and mixed marsh forest.

If you come here in May, the elderflowered orchid will be in flower, as will the orchids of the open terrain, with purple-red and yellow-white flowers. There are only a few such places in the municipality. Here they grow together with common milkwort, meadow saxifrage and St Anthony's turnip. Old oaks, Swedish whitebeams, birch, pine trees and aspens with holes used for nesting are dotted about in the pasture, together with hawthorn and dogrose bushes. In the farmyard is a large, old, lopped ash about 5m in circumference.

The abundance of dead wood means

that Kabbarp is especially valuable for wood insects and fungi. Insect surveys in the area have recorded at least eight red-listed species.

In a pond you can look for the rare northern crested newt.



WORTH KNOWING

From the Berghem cottage, an old path leads onwards. On the left between a couple of stone pillars is a track. Follow this for a short distance until the meadows broaden out. Remember to close the gate – grazing animals are in the pasture.

HOW TO GET THERE: Turn right 600 metres north of the square in Gränna and follow Sjukhusgränd and Skarpavägen. Continue up the slope and under the E4 road, then another 1km to the Berghem cottage on the left-hand side. **PARKING:** There is no car park.

DIFFICULTY: Easy



Sticky catchfly





