

"Ada builds and maintains stable, long-lasting friendships and is highly valued by her peers for her loyalty."

Lär känna Ada

Ada är född 2010 och kommer från Tyskland. Hon kommer i augusti 2026 och stannar under ett läsår. Intressen är bl. a gymträning, politik (sitter med i det lokala ungdomsparlamentet) och bakning. Ada är pescetarian och placeras gärna i den södra/centrala delen av Sverige.

Dear (future) Host family,

my name is Ada. I'm currently 15 years old, my birthday is in June, so I'm a summer child which I couldn't love more. I live with my family and our dog in a house with a garden in a small town.

Though I'm a only child, I cherish the close bond I share with my family and my circle of friends. The people around me would describe me as a kind, caring and funny person. I don't have a bunch of friends, but I'm still open-minded and I always like to meet new people. My three best friends will always have a special place in my heart, they've been with me since kindergarten. We can always count on each other and I'm very grateful for them. This goes the same for the relationship with my parents, I love them both very much.

I can be very talkative and funny. But at first I need time to open up- you could say I come alive around the right people. With my friends I enjoy hanging out, going for walks or meeting in the city for shopping. Travelling the world is a big wish of mine and I hope to see as much as possible. My parents gave me the opportunity to travel young since my childhood and we made so many wonderful memories. On a normal weekday, I go to school in the morning and usually come home in the afternoon. After school, I like to relax for a bit, eat lunch with my mom, or listen to music before doing my homework. I try to be organized and take my school responsibilities seriously, but I also know how important it is for me to take breaks and enjoy free time. Still, school is very important to me, and I am especially curious about the Swedish school system. Since we have a dog, I'm comfortable with dogs and cats as pets but that sadly only works if they don't stay in the room where I live/sleep because I'm slightly allergic to them. At home, I help with small typical tasks like tidying my room, setting the table and doing the dishes... I am used to family rules and routines and I understand that every family has their own way of living together. With my Host family, I imagine sharing meals and talking about our day, getting to know each other and learning new things. Spending time together is important for me, but I also appreciate having some time for myself. I would be also happy if I could talk openly with my family about various topics and things that concern us. Of course I don't expect everything to be perfect, but I hope to build a warm and trusting relationship with my host family.

I'm a big fan of traditions, for example on Christmas, that's why I would love to experience your own traditions and I'm happy if I can share aspects from the German culture as well.

Choosing Sweden for my exchange year wasn't a straightforward decision. Like many, I considered the USA, but recent political and safety concerns led me to look for other options. Growing up, Sweden was always present in my life through stereotypical, cultural figures like Pippi Longstocking, Ikea, Astrid Lindgren, and of course, the cinnamon buns! However, I'm eager to experience the real Sweden. My family has roots in Northern Germany, where I spend time every year. This has given me a small sense of connection to Nordic culture. I began researching for other countries after deciding against the USA and then I warmed to the idea of spending my year in your country. The decision soon felt right, and Sweden quickly found a place in my heart. I'm Christian, that's why I would be fine with going to church, but it's not a need. To be honest, I'm not really a sporty person but I like to go to the gym with my parents and I can also play tennis. Being outside is something I do really enjoy. On the other hand, I always enjoy a cozy day at home where I bake something for me and my parents. I also love listening to music and therefore I like different genres but the 80s are my go-to. In my city, I'm involved in the youth parliament, which was recently re-elected. I find it exciting to be politically involved. That's why politics is one of my favourite subjects in school, along with history and German. I enjoy learning languages, so I'm already trying to learn Swedish. This exchange year really means a lot to me. I hope to grow as a person, learn as much of the language as possible and be more independent. I hope I've given you a little insight into my life and who I am.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read my letter!

Ada

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