

## NEWS

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## Scandic Hamburger Börs now open

**In 2017, Scandic signed an agreement with property owner LähiTapiola to operate a hotel in the iconic Hamburger Börs building in downtown Turku, Finland. And after a comprehensive two-year restoration, Scandic Hamburger Börs has finally opened its doors and the first guests have already checked in to many of its 272 hotel rooms. The hotel is located just opposite Market Square in central Turku and it will now continue its tradition of providing unforgettable hotel and dining experiences as it has since 1894.**

Scandic Hamburger Börs celebrated its grand opening on Monday morning with a ceremonial ribbon-cutting by Minna Arve, Mayor of Turku, Olli Aakula, representative from LähiTapiola, Aki Käyhkö, Country Head of Scandic Finland, and Mikko Henriksson, General Manager of Scandic Hamburger Börs.

- We're thrilled to be able to give this historic Turku hotel a third lease on life. Turku is an important tourist destination for Finland and there is great interest in visiting the city from domestic and international tourists alike. For leisure travelers, Turku is an interesting destination as well as a gateway to the Finnish archipelago. It's also a fairway for international cruise traffic and important passenger and cargo traffic to and from Sweden, says Aki Käyhkö, Head of Scandic Finland.

Scandic Hamburger Börs has opened just ahead of the upcoming holidays. The banquet and events section of the hotel is housed in the building's Art Nouveau wing that flows seamlessly into the hotel's modern architecture and offers guests a convenient walkway between conference facilities and hotel rooms.

- It's fantastic to finally open Scandic Hamburger Börs. We've been overwhelmed by the amount of interest in the hotel even before it opened. Our hotel rooms are almost sold out on weekends in November and December and we can see a pent-up need to stay on weekdays as well. Now we will work hard to provide as great a guest experience as possible so that going forward, we'll have a full hotel every day of the week, says Mikko Henriksson, General Manager of the newly opened Scandic Hamburger Börs.

The hotel's new restaurant, Más, which is located on the street level, will add a touch of Spanish flair to Turku with its Iberian-inspired dishes and tapas. And the Börs Roof Bar will offer a vibrant atmosphere, refreshing cocktails and the best views of Turku from the 9th floor. Scandic Hamburger Börs was designed by Schauman Architects and the property is already greatly admired for its classy exterior. Guests staying in the hotel's 272 rooms will be able to enjoy a good night's sleep in comfortable standard rooms, spacious superior rooms or magnificent junior suites with arched windows facing the Market Square.

- The interior design of the rooms could be called Scandinavian style, but instead of simple, lighter colors, we've used warm, comforting tones to create a relaxed atmosphere, says Jaakko Puro, Interior Design Architect at Puroplan Oy.

### Scandic Hamburger Börs

- Property owner: LähiTapiola

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- Construction and restauration: YIT
- Original building from 1885, addition in 1904, renovation in 2021
- New build, 2021: Janne Helsin, Schauman Architects
- Interior design: Jaakko Puro, Puroplan Oy
- Number of rooms: 272
- Más Restaurant & Bar (street level), 300 seats
- Börs Katto rooftop bar on the 9th floor, 70 seats
- Börs Pöheikkö restaurant on terrace, 100 seats
- 8 meeting and banquet halls
- Gym & sauna
- 25 parking spots

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