

## Welcome to Ramslökedalen!

Ramslökedalen welcomes you to a fascination nature along massive precipices. Due to its widespread occurrence of ramsoms (*Allium ursinum*), the region is given the name Ramslökedalen (Ramsons valley) in vernacular. Vegetation also includes *Taxus* (*Taxus baccata*), coralroot (*Cardamine bulbifera*), Carline Thistle (*Carlina vulgaris*), *Sanicula* (*Sanicula europaea*) and different orchids. Lynx (*Lynx lynx*), white-backed woodpecker (*Dendrocopos leucotos*), lesser spotted woodpecker (*Dendrocopos minor*) and smooth snake (*Coronella austriaca*) are typical animals that can be found in the reserve.

The marked hiking trail eventually passes into Buteruds Nature Reserve stretching another 5 km to the north.

Photo: Blooming ramson in the beginning of June

### § Inside the reserve you are allowed to:

- Camp one night, but not to enter or pass through the reserve with a caravan or any motor vehicle.
- Move about freely (please take account of ground conditions!). Dogs must be on a leash.
- Watch animals without disturbing them.
- Gather mushrooms and pick berries, but not cause damage to trees, plants or other vegetation.
- Make fires, but only in designated barbecue areas, and by using the firewood provided.

The local nature reservation Ramslökedalen was set up in 2007 as a state-subsidised contribution to nature protection and extends over an area of 8.7 hectares. This reservation is a part of an EU programme, "Natura 2000". It is owned and managed by the council of Melleruds kommun.

The purpose of the reservation is to preserve the habitat of the local flora and fauna by preserving the chalky soil and wooded mountainsides along Lake Åklangen.

Photo: Dark Red Helleborine (*Epipactis atrorubens*)

Should you require any further information, please contact the registration office (Medborgarkontor) in Mellerud (phone: 0530 18900) or Dalsland Center in Håverud. There you will also find an information brochure, "Nature Discoveries around Mellerud" (Upplevelsenatur i Melleruds kommun).

If you want to make a contribution to the maintenance of the local nature reservations, send text "Broschyr" (20 SEK) or "Sponsring" (50 SEK) to 72456.