

Vadstena as a pilgrimtown

Birgitta was born in the beginning of the 14th century. She died when she was 70 years old. She became a saint about 20 years later.

She was married to a man who called Ulf Gudmondsson. They had eight children together.

Many people think that Birgitta was a nun, but she wasn't.

Birgitta made a lot of pilgrimages for example to Roma, Jerusalem, Santiago and Nidaros de composted. In Roma she spent her last 20 years.

Birgitta was a founder of a monastery. In that monastery it lived sixty nuns and twenty-five monks.

Many churches say they have relics from Birgitta and many people visit them to say thank you to the saint. If you ask me I think it's impossible that it's part from her body. I think it could be anyone!

A pilgrimage is a haik when you often go a really long walk. Before, many Christian walked haiks like this, and they do it still today.

You walk all days and in the nights you'll sleep in monasteries or some other simple place.

The walker wears a hat, a little rucksack and a mantle. In the hand he holds a staff.

A pilgrim can be both a woman and a man.

Before you start your travel you make your will. Not like you're expecting do die, but anything can happen on trips like this.

Bake in time, the priest you have home and the priest in your destination sign a paper.

The shell is a sign for the pilgrims.