

"Kalotta is openminded and highly diligent. She is able to work independently to a high standard."

## Lär känna Kalotta

Kalotta är född 2009 och kommer från Tyskland. Hon kommer i augusti 2025 och stannar under ett läsår. Intressen är bl. a judo, dykning, löpning, djur, teckna/måla och filmer. Hennes favoritämnen i skolan är vetenskap och idrott.

Dear host family,

My name is Kalotta, I'm 15 years old and with this letter I'd like to introduce myself. I live in a family of four people and a dog (her name is Phiby). My mom works at a big snack and drink company and my dad at an IT firm. My sister who just turned 18 is still a student and goes to school. Talking about school, I go to a gymnasium and my favourite subjects are science and PE. While writing this letter I am still in 10th grade but during the exchange year I'll be visiting the 11th grade. I am part of a "Bili-Class" or "Bilingual-Class" which means that my class has more English lessons and one subject is also taught in English. In the past I've had history, geography and social studies in English. in my free time, I like to go on walks or hanging out with my friends. I also do Judo twice a week and have swimming practice every Friday. Other than that my week consist of school from morning until the afternoon and in the evening I do my hobbies or if I don't have any sport, I'll meet with my friends. on Wednesdays though my grandfather picks me up and gives me Swedish lessons. Some more facts about me are that my favourite foods are pizza and sushi. I love hiking in the mountains and I love sleeping in but still wake up early if I have to. Also my fathers family line comes from Sweden and I'd really like to experience that part of me some more. In the past I've only been to sweden two or three times but this exchange year would show me the real life in sweden and not only tourist attractions. I've always wanted to understand what my grandfather and dad talk to about with each other so it'd also help me to learn and understand the language a lot!

Why do I want to attend the program?

I always wanted to learn new languages and when I found out that I have Swedish roots I immediately wanted to learn the language. I believe going to the country where the language is spoken is more efficient than learning it from an app, so I'd really love to take this opportunity. I'd also like to connect more with my Swedish "side" while experiencing the culture and traditions. Furthermore an exchange years is an amazing opportunity to get out into the world.

Why should you choose me?

I have an open personality and I'm happy to meet new people and learn more about them. If you'd like I can also have out with the household chores or take on some responsibilities like walking the dog or watching a younger family member. As mentioned, I want to learn the language that means I'll try my best to adapt. I am flexible and able to talk about problems so don't be afraid to address any concerns. I've learnt independence from a young age on because there have been multiple summer camps and trips with friends without my parents so I don't get home sick very easily. Another important thing is that I love animals and don't have any allergies. I also have a dog and love to go on walks with her so if you have a pet, there will be no complaints about it for me!:)

What do I bring to your family life?

Me! and of course, a little German culture. I'm always happy to share traditions or interesting facts from my home country. As mentioned, I'll help with the chores and support you in the household. I read somewhere that Sweden is a big "familytime" country, so I'll happily spend time with you and play games or watch movies. I'm always open to learn about new stuff and would love to get to know new activities and games. All in all I hope you choose me to be your host daughter to fulfil my dream of an exchange year.

Tack så mycket och har en bra dag!

Kalotta

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