



Östarps Gästgivaregård

"Food & beverages in fabulous Scanian surroundings"



History

Gästgivargård - is a farm where travellers owns the right to, for a small payment, receive a bed, food and lift.



Already in the 12th-century the government noticed some problems with travelling. The travellers were demanding food and beds among the peasants as they travelled through the country. The peasants had to give them what they wanted. Maybe they were used to the old custom where higher officials or servicemen could demand a room for the night, not seldom without payment. A so called "gästning". This violent descend upon the peasants were forbidden in 1280, and they decided that there would be a so called "rättare" in each village that against payment could provide a room and food for travellers.

The regulation were improved and added to over the years and during King Erik XIV:s government they demanded Inns along all common roads, for the travellers convenience. 1636 they decided that there should be an Inn that provided the travellers needs every other mile along the big roads. There should also be a separate apartment for the nobility, one for honorable people and one for the common people. These rules were dispersed in 1933.

Östarps Gästgivaregård, that is situated between Lund and Ystad, is not the oldest Inn. It opened for the first time the 24 of august 1924 by the duke of Skåne, later King Gustav VI Adolf. During the war-years Östarps Gästgivaregård served as a military installation and re-opened again may 1st 1946. The Vollmer family now owned it and does still today!