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## **OUR CUSTOMERS ARE OUR** FOREMOST MOTIVATION

#### The summer are over. For us at KABE, the end of summer always signals the start of a new model year. Our 2024 models have now been launched!

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KABE has several exciting innovations to present in 2024. Additionally, the interior and exterior design of our caravans and motorhomes is being updated.

It is especially pleasing that we can offer models and sizes suitable not only for young families and new users, but also for our more experienced customers who appreciate KABE's unique, premium-segment offerings.

Our customers are our foremost motivation. To meet people's high expectations of KABE vehicles, our development work has a constant focus on listening to customers and being alert.

For afficionados of KABE's top-spec fully integrated motorhomes, there is now yet another interesting option. Coming in at a shorter length (790 cm), it is available in both Crown and Imperial formats.

On the caravan side, our Royal and Imperial 740 CTDL models (details on page 7) follow-on from last year's major innovations. These were the Royal and Imperial 600 with their kitchen corners and extra spacious lounge seating.

Further details of the new launches for 2024 can be found in this issue of Caravanning, KABEs own magazine.



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We are seeing great interest in KABE's wide offerings and are pleased with our increased European sales, both inside and outside Scandinavia. As a result of this, we have become more visible in various European market channels. Our social channels are also now more adapted to Europe.

There are many knowledgeable and committed KABE owners who feel particular pride in their ownership. Some of these are part of our devoted trade fair team and help to prepare our enormous stand at Elmia. Meet them in an article later in this magazine.

Another example of such pride and commitment is the Arnstrands. This family shares its KABE experiences and motorhome adventures in a dedicated YouTube channel, which itself has many loyal followers.

We look forward to seeing you at KABE's various shows and hope you enjoy our exciting offerings for 2024!

Mikael Blomgvist MD. KABE AB

# CARAVANS 2024

# NEW MODELS AND UPDATED DESIGN

AHEAD OF THE 2024 MODEL YEAR, KABE IS PRESENTING NEW MODELS AND FLOOR LAYOUTS AS WELL AS UPDATING INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR DESIGN





KABE's Swedish market shares have developed positively. In the first half of 2023, KABE was Sweden's most widely sold caravan. The market share was 25%! On the motorhome side too, we have marched forwards. With a 7% share, we are now Sweden's second most popular motorhome. Our shares in the other Scandinavian markets have grown too. Development has also been positive in export markets outside Scandinavia. It is especially pleasing that demanding German customers are becoming aware of Swedish KABE and all it offers. Germany is now our largest market after Sweden!

#### Caravans from 470 to 1,000 centimetres

On the caravan side, KABE offers four model series, each with its own specific advantages and features. These series are: Estate (popular entry-level and family caravans); Gemstone (well-regarded classics); Royal (majestically equipped); and, Imperial (elegant, premium caravans). "We offer caravans in lengths from 470 to 1,000 cm. Additionally, with KABE's sophisticated Flexline system, everyone can find a floor layout that suits them," says Joakim Karlsson, sales manager, KABE.

The 2024 Gemstone series is being expanded with the possibility of choosing a bedroom layout that has, at the rear of the caravan, a central double bed that can be got into from both sides. Ametist 560 GLE, Safir 600 GLE and Onyx GLE will also be offering this variant.

#### Kitchen corner and spacious bathroom

A year ago, KABE presented a new caravan kitchen. Built into a corner, this was partnered by extra-large and inviting lounge seating with, for a bigger TV, a height adjustable mount that folds away into a backrest when not in use.

"We introduced the new floor layout in our Royal and Imperial 600 caravans. The response was immediately very positive. In 2024, we're expanding with a slightly bigger model, the 740 CTDL. Here, the lovely

#### Royal/Imperial 740 CTDL





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Joakim believes that Royal and Imperial 740 CTDL can become a new favourite with many users who use their caravans very often and throughout the year.

"It has a large kitchen, a truly spacious bathroom and plenty of room for socialising and cosy TV evenings. Quite simply, a topspec caravan made for living in!"

#### Knott chassis

With our 2024 models, KABE will be able to offer a single-axle chassis with a gross weight of 2,300 kg. Jointly developed with Knott, the chassis and axle are the first of their type on caravans. This chassis enables customers to carry heavier loads without compromising manoeuvrability when parking up. The chassis will be offered in 600 – 630 cm versions for Gemstone, Royal and Imperial caravans.



# **NEW UPPER CUPBOARDS - ONE OF MANY NEW FEATURES IN 2024**~

#### A further young-family caravan

KABE offers several well-planned young-familv caravans in various sizes. Model vear 2024 brings yet a further variant of our popular Royal 780 BGXL. This latter has, along the rear of the caravan, a bedroom with a double bed for the parents and a bathroom. Along the middle of one long side, it has bunk beds.

"The new floor layout is designated DXL. This signifies there is a separate shower cubicle in the bathroom. Being able to offer young families even more options feels good. Furthermore, we know that many of them want to be able to shower comfortably in their own caravans," comments Joakim.

#### New, stylistically pure exterior

In 2024, all the caravans in the Imperial series are being given a new, stylistically pure exterior. Exactly as with KABE's motorhomes, Innovation Design is used to print graphics directly onto the panels. This gives uniquely clean lines and colours that are extra durable.

Royal and Gemstone are being updated with new exterior graphics that enhance the smooth metalwork.

#### **Design and interior fittings**

KABE focuses keenly on design and furnishings. Interior fittings are made in our own joineries and show the great care that goes into styling. In 2024, we are continuing to develop our interior colour schemes. Atlas Zeder, our new wood vinyl has rich brown tones that will be accentuated by the lighter hues used for floors, kitchen cupboard doors, tables and worktops.

Reinforcing the aesthetics of each living area, there are new collections of curtains and cushion covers.

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"Our Gemstone, Royal and Imperial caravans are being given entirely new upper cupboards. These, of course, will have in-built lighting to bring out the smooth, flowing design. Another detail is the new, pretty, kitchen mixer tap with a metal handle. With the exception of Estate caravans and KABE Van, it will be available in both caravans and motorhomes."

#### Dometic FreshJet FJX4 2200

In 2024, indoor climates are being upgraded with the latest generation air conditioning (AC) from Dometic (standard in Imperial, an option in other models). FreshJet 2200 is a new, efficient, roof-mounted AC unit. Silent and drawing little power in operation, it has aerodynamic casing. This is clean-air technology that reduces bacteria and nasty smells.

#### Welcome to a new KABE year!

"In harmony with new target groups being attracted by mobile leisure, we at KABE are putting every effort into listening to customers and developing new models and even smarter functions and solutions.

"To summarise, major changes are the prime characteristic of our 2024 models. This applies to both the new exterior design and the entirely new feel of the interiors. It is immediately apparent that this KABE model year is entirely new. Not since 2013 have there been such all-embracing developments in our comprehensive model programme! Naturally enough, detailing all this in texts and images is difficult. Thus, I would like to encourage you to visit one of our fairs, for example, Düsseldorf, Elmia or Hellerudsletta. Of course, our local distributors can always provide further help. We do everything we can to live up to the KABE slogan, 'Always a step ahead'. Everyone is warmly welcomed to our new, exciting, KABE year!"







# **MOTORHOMES 2024**

## FIVE POPULAR MOTORHOME SERIES

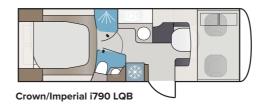
KABE'S MOTORHOME OFFERINGS CURRENTLY COMPRISE FIVE POPULAR MODEL SERIES. THESE ARE VAN, NOVUM, ROYAL, CROWN AND IMPERIAL. ALL ARE BUILT AT KABE'S PRODUCTION FACILITY IN TENHULT AND HAVE INTERIOR FITTINGS FROM KABE'S OWN JOINERY.

## New i790 LQB

KABE's top-spec fully integrated motorhomes with specially designed chassis from AL-KO have been a market success. Our 2024 offerings see the addition of a new model, the i790 LQB. This is 790 cm long and will be available in both Crown and Imperial formats. It has a generous and comfortable queen-size bed centred at the back of the living area and a drop-down double bed above the front seats.

When made up as a sleeping area, the dinette will accommodate five people. In addition to separate toilet and shower, the model also features a well-equipped kitchen corner.

"Previously, Crown was available in the 760, 810 and 860 lengths and Imperial in 810, 860 and 910. I feel the new i790 LQB will be a welcome addition. Without obliging you to choose a gigantic vehicle, it offers high-class motorhoming and the absolute best in design, quality and comfort. It is also suitable for winter climates."





## KABE NOVUM SERIEN

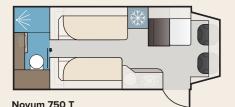
- 170 HP Mercedes-Benz 3,500 kg AL-KO chassis Can be driven with standard
- driving licence!

## KABE Novum – Another unique series

Last year, to meet the demands and wishes of, amongst others, newly emerged customer groups seeking light but well-equipped motorhomes that are of a full KABE standard, we introduced Novum.

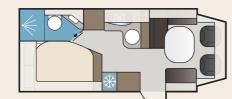
KABE Novum is 7.50 metres long and can also be ordered with additional equipment, a Royal or Heavy package or a combination thereof. The Heavy package brings the gross weight to 4,500 kg and the possibility of a comfortable drop-down roof bed (option) above the dinette.

Offering three different floor layouts, the KABE Novum series is popularly appreciated for being: made in Sweden; value for money; and, well equipped. Amongst much else, it also offers KABE's thoroughbred year-round properties.





Novum 750 LGB

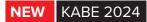


Novum 750 LXL

## **KABE VAN: A FULL-GROWN PANEL SIDER WITH ALL KABE'S UNIQUE ADVANTAGES**

KABE's Swedish-built panel sider based on Mercedes-Benz's Sprinter is a robust, full-grown, premium-class van that offers all KABE's unique and famous advantages.







This versatile model has rapidly become a favourite with active travellers who want to be able to combine compact camping, high quality and a motorhome standard with no compromises.

"We can definitely state that KABE Van offers the market's best equipment level," enthuses KABE's sales manager, Joakim Karlsson. He highlights its ingeniously planned adaptation for year-round use as a fundamental difference setting it apart from other vehicles.

#### Year-round vehicle

KABE Van's features include water-borne floor heating (even in the cab) and an insulating double floor. Here, the water and grey water tanks are well protected from freezing.

"KABE's insulation technology and windows with insulated frames minimise the risk of cold zones in the living area. These technologies, in combination with the Alde heating system and KABE's own interior fittings (which are designed for optimal air circulation) guarantee the same cosy year-round comfort as in our larger motorhomes," reveals Joakim.

#### Well planned and flexible

In many ways, KABE Van is a well-planned and flexible vehicle offering all comforts such as: a well-equipped kitchen; a bathroom with a shower; and, truly lovely beds. Its two single beds can be easily turned into a double.

#### Raised root

Based on Mercedes-Benz's Sprinter, KABE Van has a raised roof that gives an internal height of 1.9 metres. The vehicle's total length is 6.90 metres.

KABE Van can also be ordered with dual wheels. These increase load weight by 850 kilos and give a permitted vehicle and trailer gross weight of 7 tonnes. This and other features are greatly appreciated by users who travel with horseboxes or other heavy equipment.



### Five popular motorhome series

This year's new models bear the stamp of a positive development for KABE. The collaboration with Mercedes-Benz has been a success and means that all KABE's motorhomes are now based on the Mercedes Sprinter.

KABE's motorhome offerings currently comprise five popular model series. These are Van, Novum, Royal, Crown and Imperial. All are built at KABE's production facility in Tenhult and have interior fittings from KABE's own joinery.

"KABE Van is an exceptionally well equipped panel sider. Novum is a relatively light semi-integrated model. Royal is KABE's fully equipped crossover with a drop-down roof bed. Fully integrated Crown is a premium series of the highest class. Our luxurious and lavish Imperial offers the market's highest standard from all aspects," explains Joakim Karlsson, KABE's sales manager. The model programme has vehicles of various sizes. These are available with a range of floor layouts and designs.





New laminate worktop, Light Concrete.



The smart new kitchen mixer that will feature in Imperial motorhomes.

2024 continues the development of our interior colour schemes. Atlas Zeder. our new wood vinvl has rich brown tones that will be accentuated by the lighter hues used for floors, kitchen cupboard doors, tables and worktops.

#### New exterior graphics

The designs on the exteriors of KABE's motorhomes are created using a special technique, 'Innovation Design-metal'. Giving high UV resistance and, as a result, colours that remain fresh with no fading for many years, this prints graphics directly onto the panels.

"The technology also makes it possible to create unique design elements that follow the shape of the bodywork and harmonise with the location of windows doors and hatches. In 2024, we're updating with a new expressive design on our Royal, Crown and Imperial motorhomes. These are also getting new, matching wheels that reinforce the elegant effect."

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### KABE's powerful styling

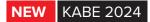
KABE's characteristic exteriors are a stylish hallmark. Thanks to our unique 'Innovation Design-metal', all KABE motorhomes now have extra strong styling. Giving high UV resistance and, as a result, colours that remain fresh with no fading for many years,

Maximum size windows give an indoor environment that is as light as possible. SCANDINAVIAN DESIGN with style and functionality

have always been guiding lights in KABE's development of its various models. Here, style and functionality go hand in hand.



Atlas Zeder, new wood vinyl with rich brown tones.



graphics are printed directly onto panels.

Scandinavian design and Swedish quality

KABE

This results in luxurious and cosy motorhomes that have a timeless feel and, ensuring extraordinary motorhoming, many innovative solutions.

#### Smart solutions

KABE quality is built into our unique designs and continued through our in-house joinery details, practical fittings and technical solutions that are always at the extreme cutting edge of our industry.

You may not notice all of this immediately when you compare KABE with other brands, but it is there and makes motorhoming easier for you every day.



New matching wheels that reinforce the elegant effect.

#### Cover for the seat base

# **EXPERIENCE FREEDOM WITH KABE**

Wake embraced by mountain silence. Drink your morning coffee accompanied by thousands of calling and dancing cranes. Walk. Ride your bike. Pluck oysters at sunset.

WITH A MOTORHOME or caravan from KABE, experiencing the great outdoors is easy. You can get close up to nature and enjoy its great diversity. If the weather or the destination do not match your expectations, you can simply move on. Walking boots, golf clubs, binoculars, bicycles, skis and swimrun equipment can all be taken with you on the journey. You yourself decide how active you want to be.

#### A LIFESTYLE

"We've been KABE owners for many years, ever since our children were small. For us, this has created a lifestyle that we would not want to be without, even though we have now reached retirement age," relates Carina Lundeholm

This lifestyle, which most motorhome and caravan owners recognise, revolves around the freedom to go virtually anywhere at any time and always have your accommodation and own things with you. After 30 years of taking the home away on holidays, Carina still thinks leaving on new journeys is just as much fun as ever. Sometimes only a few tens of kilometres away, perhaps with some of the grandchildren, or a longer trip out into Europe where the journey itself is the objective.

#### MANY YOUNG FAMILIES

Carina is noticing a strongly increasing interest in the camping life with more and more young families discovering motorhomes or caravans as a way of fulfilling the dreams they have for their leisure time. Not just in summer, but the whole year round. This is where Swedish-manufactured KABE's offer unique advantages. KABE vehicles are amongst the very best equipped on the market. Their technology and quality are top class. They are built for year-round use. This means that all structures and systems (e.g. insulation, heating and ventilation) are adapted for the Scandinavian climate and its massive temperature differences from heatwave to snow and extreme cold.

"We travel with our KABE all the time. Over the years, we've stayed at many fantastic spots, not only at camping sites and pitches, but also in the great outdoors. We've overnighted in the mountains, slept

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with the sea or fjords outside the window, woken to the calls of cuckoos and cranes, plucked oysters and risen to the sound of work starting on golf courses and ski slopes," declares Carina.

#### UNIQUE PLACES

With a KABE, you can go wherever you want. Sometimes to places that are difficult to reach using other forms of accommodation on wheels. After an active, experience-filled day. KABE users return to a complete home with all its conveniences modern kitchen, separate bathroom, inviting lounge seating and truly wonderful beds. Wherever you happen to be, KABE comfort is always the same. Furthermore, while waiting to set off on your next adventure, your motorhome or caravan can serve as a practical guest lodge, home office or temporary spare room. There is a KABE for everyone. You choose the model, size, floor layout, equipment and price class. You get freedom and opportunities as part of the bargain.

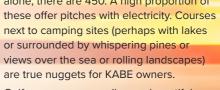


## WATCH THE SUN GO DOWN OVER **IMMACULATELY MOWN FAIRWAYS**

Pack your golf bag and discover new courses near and far. With your own rolling home from KABE, you can play golf from coast to coast or, quite simply, set off and stop whenever the GPS signals a suitable course.

With walking, cycling, fishing and other leisure interests that take you close to nature, the KABE life can be as active as you wish. In recent years, the concept of combining golf with a motorhome or caravan has become increasingly popular. This is not surprising.

There are very many fine courses in Scandinavia and the rest of Europe. In Sweden



Golf courses are usually very beautiful places. With a motorhome or caravan, round. Just step into your mobile home and, perhaps along with golfing friends, lately mown fairways.



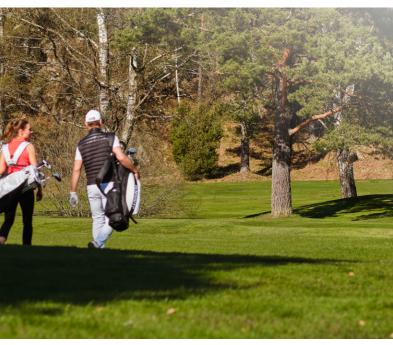






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## TEN TOP REASONS WHY LIFE IN A **KABE IS EASY AND COMFORTABLE**

There are many reasons for choosing a motorhome or caravan from Sweden's KABE. We here present some of the unique advantages that make your KABE life exactly as easy and comfortable as it should be.

#### Year-round comfort

It may be easy to see KABE's heating, insulation and ventilation concepts as special winter adaptations. However, the same underlying ideas contribute to KABE's lovely indoor climate all year round throughout cold snaps, heatwaves, unusually wet and windy autumn conditions, etc.

KABE's iWall is a unique structure with moisture-proof Ecoprim insulation sitting between two types of aluminium panel that are finished with a ventilating and sound-damping wall covering. The plates behind this covering heat up with the indoor temperature and help counteract the condensation that can form in vehicles when it is cold outside and there is high indoor humidity.

Along with KABE's double-glazed energy-efficient windows, the iWall design also means that the bodywork copes with extreme temperatures without releasing more warm air than necessary during really cold seasons (and vice versa when it is very hot).

#### **Premium quality**

You are guaranteed comfort when sitting in KABE sofas. They have ergonomic seat cushions with an aging-resistant and recyclable Premium Foam stuffing.

You experience the same quality when lving in our beds. They have articulated slat bases, sprung mattresses and gloriously thick top pads

#### Lasting value

Even in their standard versions, KABE's caravans and motorhomes are amongst the market's best equipped. Before you start comparing prices, take a look at what is actually included!

You will always find the latest technology in a new KABE. Furthermore, besides KABE's renowned quality and many years of cosy use, you are guaranteed good secondhand value if you ever decide to sell in the future.

#### Technology

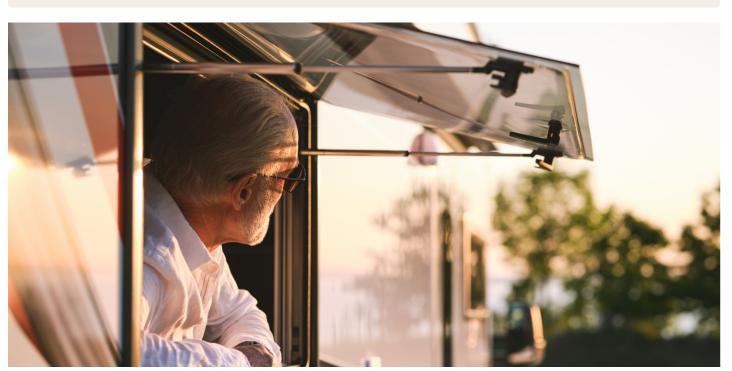
All KABE's models have an Alde Compact boiler and AGS II or AGS II Pro water-borne floor heating. With Pro, the floor heating system can be run independently. Otherwise, it is connected to the convector system

All KABE motorhomes and caravans in the Royal and Imperial series have KABE Smart D as standard. Smart D is KABE's prize-winning control panel. It monitors the vehicle's functions and is the interface for vou to control lighting, temperature, boiler, refrigerator, multimedia, Airvent and AC.

This is also where you can keep an eye on fresh water reserves, grey water and battery charge. Everything is brought together in an at-a-glance display

The KABE Smart D panel has now been further developed with Smart Level. This has three practical functions that carry out LPG, tyre pressure and vehicle angle checks. With this full overview of what is happening, the comfortable KABE life has become even easier. Smart Level is standard in Imperial caravans. It is an option in Novum, Royal and Crown motorhomes and Royal caravans.

Yet another finesse is that many of the panel's functions can be remotely controlled via a telephone app, KABE Smart D Remote. For example, you can start the AC when you are on the beach and then come home to a lovely, cool, indoor environment. Or how about riding a ski lift and switching on welcoming mood lighting to greet you after the evening's final run?



#### Ten top reasons for choosing KABE

- 1. Year-round comfort
- 2. Premium quality
- 3. Lasting value
- 4. Technology
- 5. Climate and environment
- 6. Sure and safe
- 7. Functionality
- 8. Design
- 9. Authorised distributors
- 10. Choice

## KABE "When you want the same convenient comfort in all weathers and seasons."

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#### **Climate and environment**

Our interior fittings are meticulously designed to give the best possible air circulation inside the vehicle. Via in-built air gaps behind the fittings and in the upper cupboards, air is free to flow from the floor, under beds and sofas up to the ceiling/roof.

Additionally, with the exclusion of the Estate series, our caravans have KABE Variovent, a patented ventilation system that enables you to regulate fresh air as you like. The system is easy to control via sliders at the front of the caravan and in the sleeping section.

Our motorhomes have KABE AirVent, a sleeping section roof hatch with an integrated 12-volt fan. AirVent can be set at various speeds and to draw in or expel air. This is extremely pleasant when going to bed on warm evenings or waking to morning sunshine. Furthermore, a 230 V supply is not needed.

#### Sure and safe

Your safety as a caravan or motorhome owner centres very much on road safety.

Our caravans are equipped with the KABE Safety Driving system. This includes a chassis with long drawbars and an 'anti-lurching' axle. Our motorhomes are based on Mercedes-Benz's Sprinter with modern car technology laying the foundations for comfortable, safe travelling. In addition to KABE's stable motorhome bodies, we have also introduced steel frames around batteries and water tanks (to prevent them moving in a collision).

#### Functionality

There are many functional and wellthought-out solutions that make everyday life in a KABE easy. Sofas that can be swung out of the way when cleaning, night lights with bedside switches, wardrobe lighting and bed drawers are just some examples. Kitchens and bathrooms are equipped to give you the same comfort as at home, even though the area is smaller.

A further detail is KABE's classic airing cupboard function in the wardrobe. For drying shoes, it has a specially designed drip tray. The airing cupboard has a special convector and its own controllable roof vent. It is details such as this that contribute to the ingenious whole.

#### Design

KABE makes the interior fittings for all its motorhomes and caravans in its own joinery in Tenhult. The fittings bear the hallmarks of elegant Scandinavian design and sustainable material choices. Recessed cupboard doors, rounded corners and a soft, sound-damping ceiling are examples of details that create the special KABE feel in which design and function are always in perfect harmony.

This continues on the outside. Here, the body's well-planned details and elegant lines give each KABE its distinctive character.

#### Authorised distributors

KABE has a wide network of authorised, well-informed distributors and service workshops across several European countries. They provide expert advice throughout purchase and, thereafter, professional service for worry-free ownership. Our distributors also help with finance and insurance for your KABE.

#### Choice

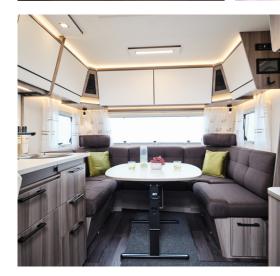
There is a KABE for everyone. All you have to do is decide the right size, floor layout, equipment and price class for you and your family.

When you have found your favourite model, you can use KABE's Flexline system to help you select the optimal floor layout. There are many choices. The flexibility is truly wide.











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## A UNIQUE KABE FOR AN OWNER WHO LIKES TAKING THINGS TO THE MAX

AS SUMMER STARTED, AN ABSOLUTELY UNIQUE EXAMPLE OF KABE'S LARGEST AND MOST LUXURIOUS CARAVAN ROLLED OUT OF THE COMPANY'S TENHULT PRODUCTION FACILITY.

Even in its standard version, KABE Imperial 1000 is an impressive product. Ten metres long and a full 22 square metres of living space. Its interior fittings are exclusive and it features the widest range of latest technology and equipment.

Nonetheless, KABE's largest and most luxurious caravan can still be added to. At least if the customer is a creative Norwegian who likes taking things to the max and loves realising his own interior design ideas in collaboration with KABE.

#### **Customised kitchen**

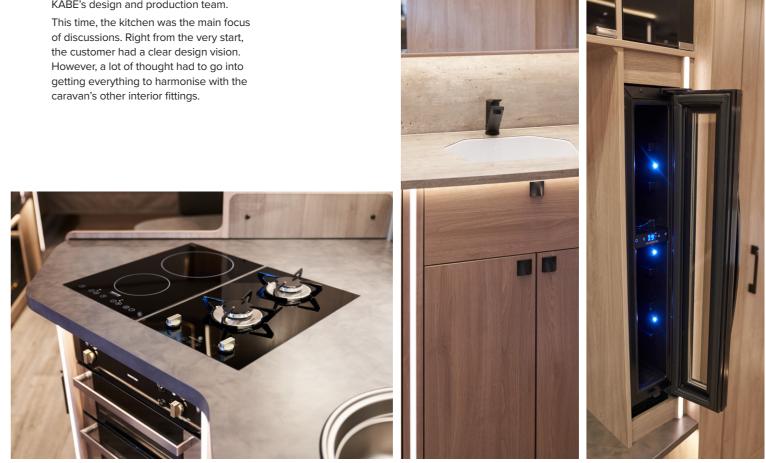
Since 2007, Caravan Shop, KABE's distributor in Norway's Kongsberg, has sold eight specially commissioned caravans to this particularly discerning customer. Of course, over the years, this has created a rather special relationship, which also embraces KABE's design and production team.

#### 55-inch TV and fireplace

Version 8.0, this year's Norwegian bad boy caravan, was built in a separate hall by a working team of four people. In addition to the specially built kitchen, the caravan includes, for example, a living room section with a large, 55-inch TV and cosy fireplace.

Throughout the work, Marcus Svensson, head of KABE's sales in Norway, took and sent photos to the customer.

"We also had three meetings at the factory so that various details could be discussed directly with the fitters. The caravan has both large and small special solutions such as customised lighting points and a floor covering bought by the customer himself."



#### Caravan dream realised

The end result is a majestic rolling home. The long, gleaming, KABE body, with its elegant Imperial graphics, houses a dream caravan that most of us could never even imagine, let alone believe possible to realise.

"For us at KABE, it has yet again been a fun and exciting process with a committed and devoted KABE owner who always goes his own way and enjoys being able to bring his projects to fruition. We are already looking forward to version 9.0," concludes Marcus.

## Owning an electric car and a KABE works excellently TESLA MODEL Y WITH A KABE ON THE HOOK

Electric cars are becoming ever more popular, yet can they really be used as towing vehicles? The Nordin family in Örnsköldsvik confirm that they certainly can. They pull their KABE caravan with a Tesla Model Y.

Fredrik and Lina Nordin, with 11-year-old twins Sigge and Noah, are an active family with a wide range of leisure time interests. The children drive go-carts and play football and ice hockey. There are many trips to matches, training sessions and competitions.

"Our KABE Ametist provides perfect accommodation when we go away for weekends or holidays. On the caravan, we have two sturdy racks for electric bicycles, one at the front and one at the back. This allows us to take either two go-carts or four bicycles," discloses Fredrik.

#### Ametist 560

The family bought the caravan around the same time that they changed their car almost two years ago. Since then, the Tesla has towed for very many kilometres. Last summer, they drove northwards and crossed the Arctic Circle at Vuollerim on their way to Jokkmokk. This summer, they went southwards in Sweden. The highest permitted towing weight for the Nordins' Tesla Model Y Dual Motor is 1,600 kilos, which is also the total weight of their KABE Ametist 560.

"The Tesla's torque means that you don't even feel there is a caravan on the hook. The car weighs 2,000 kilos. I feel that the weight also contributes to road-holding being extra stable."

#### Rapid charging

Fredrik and Lina have installed solar cells on the roof of their home and always ensure that the car's battery is fully charged before setting off. Without a caravan, the range in real conditions is around 460 kilometres. With a caravan and a speed of 80 kph, this reduces to about half (i.e. around 230 kilometres).

"On caravan trips, our consumption is usually 3.2 kWh per 10 kilometres. As a rule, we try to charge once an hour, after around 100 kilometres. A short charge is then enough and is about right for us to stretch our legs or go to the bathroom or, perhaps, buy an ice cream," says Fredrik.

He relates that Tesla Model Y is currently the market's fastest charging car. The commonest charge (20 to 80 per cent) takes around half an hour. A charge from 10 to 90 per cent needs between 40 minutes and one hour effective charging time.

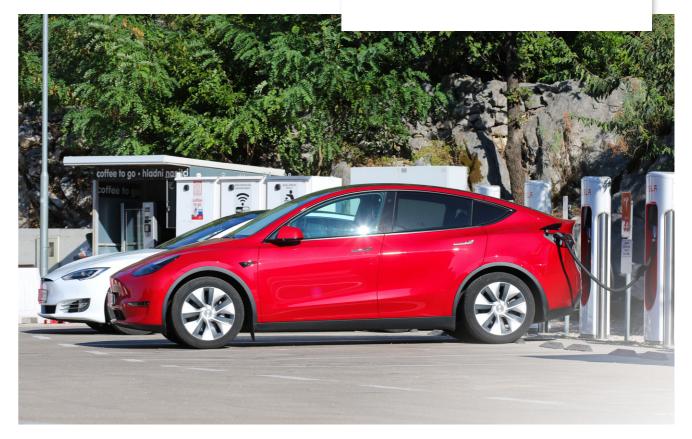
#### Relaxing

Many of Tesla's charging stations are the smooth drive-through type where there is room for both car and caravan. However, caravans must sometimes be unhitched when charging a car. Overall, travel times are slightly longer with electric cars than they are with diesel or petrol vehicles. This does not bother Fredrik and his family.

"We don't want any stress when we're out travelling. Quite the opposite! For us, charging breaks are nice, relaxing additions to the trip. It all works excellently and we're delighted with Tesla as a car to tow our KABE."







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## **KABE TRAVELLERS** WITH OWN YOUTUBE

It began as a way for the Arnstrands to document and save videos of trips and adventures with their KABE motorhome. The family's YouTube channel now has over 3.000 followers.

Anna-Karin and Patrik Arnstrand from Alingsås have previously had both a caravan and a motorhome. Today, they own a KABE Imperial 860 LGB, which they use as often as possible.

"It's our rolling summer cottage. Convenient and luxurious with first-class equipment. We don't think it can get any better than this!"

#### Freedom and mobility

Travelling with the motorhome is rest and relaxation from work. It is the opportunity to see new things and places. Most often, little is planned in advance. For Anna-Karin and Patrik, it is freedom and mobility that make motorhoming so enticing.

"We love the sea and being close to nature. However, we also appreciate being able to visit towns, cycling around and doing some sightseeing. Motorhomes

are immensely flexible and there are masses of good pitches and camping sites, both in the countryside and near city centres," states Anna-Karin.

#### Youtube

To remember the places they visit and the impressions they form, Anna-Karin enjoys shooting videos of the family's trips, both in Sweden and abroad. When she started posting her videos on YouTube, it was primarily as a means of storing them. "I thought that our now six grown children might sometime think it was fun to see

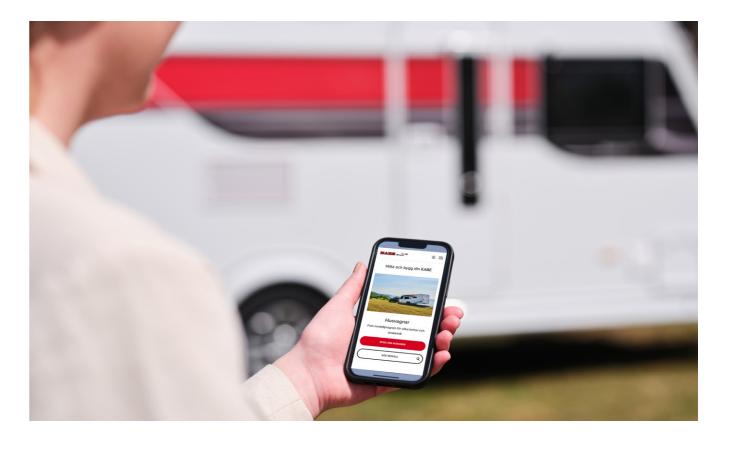
what their parents got up to. However, I didn't tell them that I'd posted the films. That waited until I suddenly discovered the channel had several hundred followers who seemed to like the content. Our children do too!"

#### Shared interests

The attention and the appreciation gave new inspiration and new followers. Currently, the Arnstrands' YouTube channel has a good 3,000 subscribers and the comments are full of tips and thoughts from other motorhomers sharing their own experiences and recommendations for destinations, pitches and much else.

"In our fifties, we suddenly had a new hobby and became YouTubers! Via social channels, we've formed a contact network with lots of lovely KABE owners and motorhome voyagers of our own age. Sometimes, some of us get together during a trip. Getting to know new people with shared interests is always great fun," enthuse Anna-Karin and Patrik

You can follow Arnstrands Husbilsresor on youtube.com.



## **DESIGN AND BUILD YOUR DREAM KABE AT KABE.SE!**

Every day, around 1,200 people visit KABE's product configurator at kabe.se to create the perfect motorhome or caravan. There is also much else to see and enjoy on KABE's website.

Our website is the obvious place for anyone thinking about upgrading their vehicle or launching into the world of caravanning or motorhoming. Additionally, KABE owners who currently have no plans to change their vehicles will also find lots of interest and great use at kabe.se.

For example, you can study 360 degree views and videos of our new models and read previous editions of this magazine. The latter are under the Catalogues tab and reach back a few years.

This is where you will also find KABE's user manuals for all year models right the way back to 1968. They can be downloaded in PDF format. Very useful if you own an older caravan and have lost the printed version, or if a question or issue arises with your new KABE and you want to find an answer quickly and easily.

#### **Build your dream KABE**

Proposals from KABE Finans also include Kabria, which provides customised motorhome and caravan insurance. Kabria's insurance policies are especially structured to suit recreational vehicles and how they are used.

The insurance covers you all year, whether or not the vehicle is in active use. Comprehensive policies also include, for example, extra assistance (with no excess) in the event of damage resulting from fuel problems, punctures or loss of vehicle keys. Robbery and assault are covered too

#### Even better terms and conditions

"However, by far the most popular function on kabe.se is the configurator with its possibility of finding and designing your own dream KABE. Every

day, it is used by around 1,200 people," reveals Zac Karlsson, head of Swedish market sales.

Scroll down the home page to Designa din KABE ('Design your KABE', Swedish only). You start by selecting model, floor layout and seat coverings. After that, tick the equipment you would like.

You can also specify your basic requirements under Sök modell ('Search model') and then, in your own good time, study the basic equipment for the various model series and choose from all the addon options.

"It is easy to save your choices and use them as a basis in further discussions with any of KABE's authorised distributors," concludes Zac.

Find and build your dream KABE at kabe.se!



