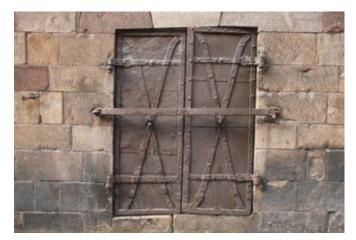


The hotel lobby was compact; stairs lead to a loft where the breakfast is held. Room rates (\$300 USD) were reasonable for being centrally located and w/in easy walking distance of trains, shopping and

sightseeing. The room was compact but very comfy.

Walking to a destination (when possible) is always more fun and interesting than taking transportation. These metal 'shutters' were just above the harbor. Their strong geometry caught my eye, then I wondered why they were metal and not wood.





More views of GamlaStan (old town).

Detail below of the building at right.





Stockholm could be a storybook village.

Dogs were a part of the landscape; their 'deposits' were nowhere in evidence.



Now we're off on our boat tour. I had a choice of sitting inside the tour boat on bench seats, six across, using a headset listening to a pre-recorded tour, and getting very few pix, or parking my camera outside on the stern to get views port, starboard, and aft, but having no clue as to what the attractions were. But I've figured it out: buildings, bridges, and boats.

Off we go!

Stockholm is a city built on cliffs; marinas were tucked into coves beneath the cliffs.

Boats were moored everywhere space allowed; this is a typical arrangement.

Below: Tall ships along the canal.









Beautiful wooded boats among the hoi-polloi:







Notice how the boats are tucked in so close to each other in the photo to the right.







I hope you've enjoyed this tour. There's more to come...then on to Amsterdam.