



### Organic Tour, 20km

*This walk's setting is rich in cultural heritage with dry stone walls, rock piles, fossils, ancient farmsteads and lanes. Foxes, elk, roe deer and wild boar are some of the creatures you might see, or perhaps their tracks. Olof Persson (b. 1922) is a farmer from Tattarp who has described his village in prose or poetry, with drawings and sometimes photographs. Olof helps us realize the faded past where horse drawn deliveries of pigs rabbits and chickens arrived at market in Hörby, the fibrous bark of lime trees was turned into strong, thick rope, hay was dried in stacks and flax was broken, scutched and spun before it could be woven into sheets.*

**1 Fire reservoir.** South of the farm previously owned by Olof Persson there is a square-shaped fire reservoir. The stones were laid by brothers Elof and Nils Karlsson who made a living as day-labourers. They kept their wages in their mattresses. When the weather was nice they would sometimes take out the thousand-kronor notes and hang them on the washing line so they would not go mouldy. Elof slept with his gun, prepared should anyone turn up wanting to take their money.

#### 2 Calf Hill (Kalvabacken)

**3 Saurov the Blacksmith.** Look for Olof's sign! Count Johan Wellington Saurov (b. 1815 in Ystad), son of Johan Friedrich Saurov from Pomerania and Christina Nilsson from Södra Mellby, set himself up here as blacksmith, married Kristina from Bjälkhult and with her fathered eight children. The work mostly consisted of shoeing horses. The 'Smithy Count' lived until 1891. Peter Rubin and his wife Hanna took over. They were very poor. On one occasion Peter bought cabbage from Olof Persson's mother who asked whether they had any meat to go with it. 'If there's something wrong with eating cabbage, then it's having meat with it,' he replied.

**4 Karl Mårtens boys.** Elof (1884-1965) and Nils (1893-1971) lived here. They slept together in a pull-out sofa from the 1800's. When Elof got too drunk he spent the night in the dog's kennel. The brothers were industrious and would work hard for local farmers earning a daily wage – threshing and digging up peat. At home, Nils would 'work at the stove and even slaughter the Christmas pig'.

**5 Den Gamles Gård.** Organic growing. Pick your own during the season. Home page and Facebook. Telephone Thorbjörn Hallström on 0709 242244!

**6 Sniberup hills.** Original landscape, pasture with juniper bushes and rare pastoral flora, representative of much of the countryside in Hotspot Kölleröd. Managed by the county council. More information can be found on site.

**7 Limewood Sauna or Flax Cabin?** In a limewood sauna the bark from the lime tree was heated so that the fibres could be loosened up before being woven into rope.

**8 Wild boar pen.** Wild boar increase their numbers with several litters each year. Here are two things to pay attention to: a) knock on the door and talk to the owner before you go down to the pen; b) in the house next door there is a little dog who can be aggressive as a result of being scared of cyclists. The dog's owner politely asks that everyone walk their bicycles past the property so as to avoid any accidents.

