

# Lucia

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The Lucia concerts are the biggest event of the fall with four-five public concerts (most often they are all sold out). All choir groups participate, and every choir group does at least two concerts. There are therefore at least two opportunities for family members to go to a concert where the family's choir singer attends. Numbered seats are sold. You find ticket information here: [Konsalter – Biljetter](#).

Before the Lucia concerts you need to know about this: [Konsalter – Konsalterdags-ABC](#) and also, this: [Körklädsel – Klädsel: Lucia](#)

## Preparatory dress rehearsal

At the Lucia concerts at least 90, most often more than 200 choristers attend. This takes a well-planned choreography in the church. For this to work, everyone needs to know where they shall stand and how they shall walk.

The weekend before the Lucia concerts all groups have a preparatory dress rehearsal (*förberedande genrep*)\*. It is very important to take part in the preparatory dress rehearsal because this is the time when all the choreography inside the church during concert are practised and finalised. The preparatory dress rehearsal is no less important than the dress rehearsal, but equally necessary.

\*Dress rehearsal = the last rehearsal before a concert. At the dress rehearsal everyone must be ready for concert. At this rehearsal, we go through everything, but everyone needs to know all the songs beforehand. <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/dress-rehearsal>

## Dress rehearsal

For the dress rehearsal, **everyone brings** what they are going to wear during the Lucia concerts. All clothes are left at Gustavigården and is brought home after the last concert.

What you should bring to Gustavigården for the dress rehearsal:

1. **Lucia gown** *with the chorister's name* hanging on a
2. **clothes hanger** *with the chorister's name*. On the hanger there shall also be
3. **a bag** *with the chorister's name*. In the bag there shall be
4. **the clothes the chorister is going to wear underneath the Lucia gown** = white/bright t-shirt/tank top, tights *with no colour, text, or pattern*, and
5. **what the chorister is going to wear on his/her** feet = white, quiet shoe/trainer or white/bright woollen socks or ballet shoes. Normal white socks only will be too cold.
6. Electric candle *with functioning battery and light bulb* for YF and Fasp.

If anyone comes with the wrong equipment, the choir mums will contact the parents and explain what needs to be adjusted. Every such effort takes time, and the choir mums do this as voluntary work. Please make their job easier by **trying on the Lucia gown at home before the dress rehearsal** so that you don't bring a gown in the wrong size or length!

## Packed lunch for the Lucia concert

At a Lucia concert everyone wears white. This means it is necessary to think about what kind of packed lunch you bring. It needs to be something that gives energy, so that you have strength to perform, and patience to wait for your turn.

It also needs to have no colour! If you spill on your (or someone else's) clothes it cannot give stains.

The packed lunch **cannot** include:

- \* Nuts (some chorists have airborne nut allergy)
- \* Food that leaves stains or makes a mess (for example risifrutti which includes very red jam).
- \* Chocolate in any form (including chocolate drink).
- \* Soda or lemonade with strong colour (for example julmust).

*Good advice regarding packed lunch:*

- \* A double sandwich is an excellent choice!
- \* Orange marmalade and cheese is better than raspberry marmalade and liver pâté.
- \* Apple, pear, and banana is better than orange.
- \* If you eat sausage, you eat it without ketchup.
- \* If you eat pancakes, you eat it with for example apple jam, not strawberry jam.
- \* If you eat fruit yoghurt, you choose a yoghurt with no colour.