The Band of the Royal Swedish Army

The Band of the Royal Swedish Army is the largest professional military band in the Swedish Defense Forces. The establishment of 53 musicians and extensive musical versatility makes it possible to perform at most occasions, ceremonies, events, concerts and pageants. The band performs more than 200 times yearly.

The band belongs to the Regiment of Life Guards in Stockholm, and wears the uniform of the 2nd regiment of Foot Guards model 1886.

Events
The Band of the Royal Swedish Army plays regularly at many events. Some of these occasions that are most famous are listed below, although this is not a comprehensive list.

State visits
Changing of the King’s Guard
The King’s birthday parade
Beating the Retreat
Veteran’s Day
Royal audiences
Royal Pageants
Opening of the Parliament
National day 6 June

The Band of the Royal Swedish Army regularly performs at Swedish regiments and has been deployed with the Swedish troops in Afghanistan and Kosovo. The orchestra also performs several concerts and at other non-military events throughout Sweden and other countries such as Norway, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Switzerland etc.

Composition
The orchestra consists of: 3 flutes, 10 clarinets, 2 oboes, 2 bassoons, 4 saxophones, 5 horns, 8 trumpets, 4 trombones, 2 euphoniums, 3 tubas, 3 percussionists, 6 drummers and 1 contrabass.

The band has several ensembles available: Marching band, symphonic wind band, big band, serenade ensemble, wind octet, wind quintet and others.