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BEAUTIFUL FINNISH NATURE

Experience unforgettable moments in the heart of the Finnish wilderness. Within easy reach of the Finnish capital you can escape into wild and enjoy lovely lakes, green forests and rugged crags.

www.nationalparks.fi
Helsinki is a surprising city in the North that enchants visitors with its diverse urban culture, the proximity of nature and its friendliness. Located between East and West, and absorbing influences from both sides, Helsinki is a dynamic city that combines trends and traditions in its own special way. Layers of fine architecture, functional design, a diverse food culture and numerous events offer experiences in all seasons of the year. A high level of expertise and lively start-up culture are part of the identity of our vibrant city. The laid-back rhythm of relaxed and compact Helsinki will take you away.

What to Experience in Helsinki?

Helsinki is a treasure trove for museum-goers. Must-see museums in the city centre include the Helsinki Art Museum HAM and the Helsinki City Museum. Ateneum and Kiasma also offer world-class art experiences. Why not reserve a day just for the museums!

hamhelsinki.fi
helsinginkaupunginmuseo.fi
ateneum.fi
kiasma.fi

Cycle around Helsinki with city bikes

Helsinki has city bikes for summer (May–October), allowing visitors to explore the urban nature and maritime scenery on two wheels.

hsl.fi/citybikes
In just a short time Helsinki has developed into the home of great food. “New Nordic Cuisine” has taken over the scene, and restaurants that have been established in recent years favour fresh, local and seasonal ingredients. When chefs themselves fall in love with simple ingredients, visitors to their restaurants also get to taste local flavours at their finest.

Classic: Ateljé Finne
Named after the Finnish sculptor Gunnar Finne, this refined local restaurant is a lovely architectural gem in the Etu-Töölö district. The people behind Finne know that simple is beautiful, Finnish food is delicious, and great service is essential!
Arkadiankatu 14

New: WILD
Wild offers small portions and snacks made from wild ingredients and game. Try the forest mushroom pie, bolete toffee-chocolate cake and chocolate confections flavoured with dried insect larva!
Mikonkatu 6, inside TRE

Fine dining: Olo
Olo is a modern Nordic gourmet cuisine restaurant in the heart of Helsinki. The menu follows the yearly cycle of nature, bringing to the table only what is best at a given time. The restaurant has had a Michelin star since 2011.
Pohjoisesplanadi 5

Market Halls
Traditional market halls and open-air markets are still a part of everyday life among locals. Market halls offer a big and tasty selection of fresh ingredients, especially fish. Just as appealing is the chance to leisurely stroll among the market stalls and enjoy a cup of coffee.
Old Market Hall, Eteläranta
Hakaniemi Market Hall, Hämeentie 1a
Hietalahti Market Hall, Lönnrotinkatu 34

Recreational Island of Vallisaari
The island of Vallisaari is situated next to the Suomenlinna Sea Fortress. Formerly used by the Finnish Defence Forces, the island is known for its beautiful nature with diverse flora. The ferry connection from the Market Square operates daily in summer.
nationalparks.fi/en/vallisaari
Design for life

Minimalistic, functional and clean Finnish design has enjoyed an enviable international reputation for decades. Helsinki has always been the hot spot when it comes to Finnish design. Get inspired by the tips offered by Finnish design experts!

**DESIGN DISTRICT HELSINKI**

Is a cluster of creative businesses that is full of fascinating design attractions and a Mecca for fans of Finnish Design. It comprises 25 streets and 200 spots on the map, including design and antique shops, art galleries and museums, restaurants, hotels, design studios and more.

designdistrict.fi

**DESIGN WALK**

Discover the Design District on foot! The Helsinki Design Walk is a two-hour guided tour in English of the top design sights. Tours are organised on Fridays at 3pm throughout the year and last approximately 2.5 hours.

happyguidehelsinki.com

**TORI QUARTER**

The “new old town” in the historical centre of Helsinki is being rejuvenated. Old offices are being converted into spaces for new design and fashion businesses.

torikorttelit.fi

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**Main Events in Helsinki 2018**

6–10 Jan, Lux Helsinki
The most exciting artists from Finland and all around the world will create inspiring light installations in city centre.
luxhelsinki.fi

29 Jan–4 Feb, DocPoint Festival
Enjoy the best Finnish and international documentaries of the year. The programme also includes seminars, lectures, workshops and concerts.
docpoint.info

10 March, Helsinki Sauna Day
Helsinki Sauna Day opens the doors to the private saunas of local residents and companies to all who are interested.
helsinkisaunaday.fi

5–10 May, Cleaning Day
Cleaning Day is a celebration for friends of flea markets and recycling. The neatest festival of the year transforms the city into giant second-hand markets.
siivouspaiva.com

26–27 May, World Village Festival
This free-of-charge event offers a wide range of art and activities for the entire family, including music, dance, theatre, debates, literature and exotic food.
mailmokylas.com/english

12 June, Helsinki Day
The city centre will be filled with people, music and events marking Helsinki’s birthday.
helsinkipaiva.fi

10–12 August, Flow Festival
This annual music and urban culture event attracts thousands to Helsinki in August to listen to the most interesting performers from Finland and abroad.
flowfestival.com/en

6–16 Sep, Helsinki Design Week
The biggest design event in Northern Europe, offers a meeting place and a discussion forum for design professionals and enthusiasts alike.
helsinkidesignweek.com

20–30 September, Love & Anarchy Film Festival
Cinema fans can enjoy a rich festival programme that consists of new films from well-known filmmakers and fresh talents alike.
hiff.fi

7–13 October, Baltic Herring Market
This traditional market has been held in the Market Square yearly since 1745. You can find salted herring, a delicious selection of herring marinades from rowan berries to red pepper and delicious dark bread in the archipelago style.
stadinsilakkamarkkinat.fi

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October, Carnival of Light
The Carnival of Light illuminates Helsinki’s legendary amusement park Linnanmäki. Visitors are entertained throughout the carnival by quality entertainment for older and younger audiences alike, as brilliant performers take to the stage.
linnanmaki.fi

November, Baltic Circle Festival
Baltic Circle offers high-quality theatre performances, workshops, discussions, an exhibition and a lovely festival lounge.
balticcircle.fi

December, Helsinki Christmas Market
There are over 100 booths selling Finnish craft, design and Christmas delicacies. It’s also the home to many traditional as well as more modern gift ideas and home items.
tuomaanmarkkinat.fi

31 December, New Year’s Eve
Tens of thousands of people gather to celebrate and enjoy a programme consisting of musical performances, traditional speeches, greetings and singing. The festivities culminate in brilliant fireworks.
Explore the Urban Nature

We Love Sauna

Sauna by the sea or lake is not only a Finnish dream but also an essential part of the way of life here. For centuries the sauna has been a place for physical and spiritual cleansing, for getting bare in all senses of the word, and for entering the core of humanity. If you want to understand Finland and its people, getting familiar with the sauna is a good place to start.

LÖYLY DESIGN SAUNA
The Löyly design sauna in Herne-saari is just a short distance from the city centre. The modern complex also houses a restaurant serving the finest Finnish cuisine, which visitors can enjoy while admiring the stunning views from the large terrace that stretches out over the sea. This impressive building is a real design attraction as an example of contemporary wooden architecture. The Löyly sauna complex consists of three saunas: one smoke sauna and two wood-heated saunas. The terrace area includes a café and a restaurant open all year round.

ALLAS SEA POOL
The Allas Sea Pool spa complex is located right next to the Market Square, allowing visitors to enjoy swimming, saunas and a great seaside atmosphere all year round. Take a dip in the sea pool and relax at the café, bar or restaurant while enjoying the city centre atmosphere!

KOTIHARJU SAUNA
This traditional wood-heated neighbourhood sauna in Helsinki has welcomed sauna lovers since 1928. Massages and other treatments are available if booked in advance.

Try also:
Sauna Hermanni, Kulttuurisauna and Arla.

Maritime dreams
Over 100 kilometres of shoreline and around 300 islands – the proximity of the sea can be sensed everywhere in Helsinki. Take a sightseeing cruise in the archipelago or visit one of the many islands open to the public.
One of the “must-sees” just off the coast of Helsinki is Suomenlinna, one of the biggest sea fortresses in the world and a UNESCO world heritage site. Suomenlinna is not only an important part of the history of Finland but also a lively district of Helsinki that offers something for everyone: nature, culture and history.

MORE INFORMATION: myhelsinki.fi
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Expo
A city of innovation and exciting experiences

Espoo is like Finland in miniature. To the south, you can enjoy delightful islands and an unspolit coastline, a rich cultural offering, a wide range of events and activities and great shopping opportunities. Travel north, and you will discover a different Espoo, with lakes, tranquil rural scenery, historic manor houses and the wilderness of Nuuksio National Park. The West metro takes you conveniently and quickly to Espoo from Helsinki city centre.

SEE

EMMA – Espoo Museum of Modern Art
One of Finland’s largest art museums, located at the WeeGee Exhibition Centre which offers plenty to see for the whole family with changing exhibitions and events. WeeGee also houses the Espoo City Museum KAMU, the Finnish Toy Museum Hevosenkenkä, the Finnish Museum of Horology, a museum shop and a café.

Visit the home of our national artist Akseli Gallen-Kallela in a castle-like atelier home, built 1911–13 in Art Nouveau style. The International Theatre of Finland, April Jazz Festival, Espoo Ciné International Film Festival and PianoEspoo and VocalEspoo Festivals are on stage on regular bases.

Gallen-Kallela Museum
Visit the home of our national artist Akseli Gallen-Kallela in a castle-like atelier home, built 1911–13 in Art Nouveau style. Changing exhibitions with varying themes offer fresh combinations of the works of Gallen-Kallela and his contemporaries, modern art and photography. Café-restaurant.

The Finnish Nature Centre Haltia
An ecologically designed event centre entirely made of wood on the fringes of Nuuksio National Park in Espoo. Haltia’s exhibitions present Finland’s most stunning wildlife and natural scenery. The centre’s main aim is to give people a genuine sense of close contact with nature and perspectives on the natural wonders of the whole country.

The forests and nature trails
When in Espoo, you are never far from the outdoors. Check out the popular recreational areas and parks such as Oittaa Recreation Centre and Angry Birds themed playgrounds. Or explore the 40 km long scenic Espoo’s Waterfront Walkway and marked nature trails around Espoo.

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EXPERIENCE

Nuuksio National Park
Experience wild woods and lakes on Helsinki’s doorstep! Within easy reach of the capital of Finland you can escape into wild natural settings and enjoy typically Finnish scenery, with lovely lakes, green forests and rugged crags. Pack your backpack for a memorable family picnic or campout. Activities such as horse riding, biking, canoeing, climbing, berry and mushroom picking, snowshoeing and trekking and an extensive network of marked trails and guide services are available.

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Archipelago excursions
Espoo’s 165 islands are like a beautiful mosaic. Enjoy Espoo’s archipelago on a scheduled boat which carries you swiftly to the islands. Available from June to September.

Make the most of your visit
Got two hours to spare? Visit the WeeGee Exhibition Centre.
Got half a day? Visit the Finnish Nature Centre Haltia and explore the stunning nature surrounding it.
Spending a summer day in Espoo?
Hop on a ferry and head out to explore our many islands. You could also visit Nuuksio National Park – you might even spot some reindeer (www.nuuksiowhite reindeer.fi) Or how about a visit to EMMA or Gallen-Kallela museums, followed by an action-packed treetop adventure at Huippu (seikkailupuistohuippu.fi)??

TOP EVENTS IN 2018

April Jazz 25–29 April, apriljazz.fi
Espoo Ciné 4–15 May, espoo cine.fi
Organ Night and Aria Festival 7 June – 30 August, urku yofestival.fi
Motonet GP, Athletics 15 June, yleisurheilu.fi
Finlandia Trophy Espoo 5–7 October, finlandiatrophy.com

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FINLANDIA TROPHY ESPOO

5–7 October, finlandiatrophy.com
Vantaa offers visitors plenty to see and experience all throughout the year whether you like science, art, the outdoors, shopping or having fun. Vantaa hosts many great music festivals and sporting events. The city is easy to reach by plane, train or car. Helsinki Airport is situated in Vantaa. The city has a great selection of accommodation from charming B&B’s to modern hotels.

EXPERIENCE

Look into the VR glasses at Fazer Visitor Centre and learn about the making of their world’s best chocolate: Fazer milk chocolate. The active can scoot down hills at the indoor activity park SuperPark. At Flamingo Entertainment Centre you can try out glow-in-the-dark golf or dine and see a movie. After shopping at the outlet stores and Jumbo shopping Centre relax at the Flamingo Spa and Acqua Park. Experience the world of science in a fun way at the Finnish science Centre Heureka. For the more outdoorsy Kuusijärvi Lake recreational area offers walks, swimming and sauna all year round.

Heureka, the Finnish Science Centre, heureka.fi
Fazer Visitor Centre fazer.fi/en
Flamingo Leisure World and Jumbo Shopping Centre flamingo.fi, jumbo.fi, vihdkeauppakeskus.fi

EAT & ENJOY

In Vantaa you won’t stay hungry for long. Whether you want to try Finnish food or you are more into ethnic food, you will find your match. Most of the restaurants at the attractions also serve lunch. Check out the website visitvantaa.fi/en.

Below you will also find some of the most interesting places to eat & drink.

King’s Salmon kuninkaanlohet.com
Hämeenkylä Manor hameenkylankartano.fi
Restaurant Backas ravintolabackas.fi
Restaurant Mandeli at the Aviation Museum ilmailumuseo.fi/en/kahvila-ravintola-mandeli
Flamingo& Jumbo’s restaurants flamingo.fi, jumbo.fi
Café Kuusijärvi cafekuusijarvi.fi

SEE

Artsi Vantaa Art Museum is a must if you’re into urban culture, street art and graffiti. It’s situated right next to Myyrmäki station that has also been turned into a piece of art – inside out. Check it out!

St. Lawrence church is the oldest building in the metropolitan and also one of the most popular wedding churches in Finland. The old station building in Tikkurila, from mid-19th now hosts the City Museum which has temporary exhibitions presenting the versatile history of the area. The Finnish Aviation Museum is a must-see when you visit the airport city. Vantaa Agricultural Museum presents Vantaa as it was before urbanization.

Artsi Vantaa Art Museum artsimuseo.com
The Finnish Aviation Museum ilmailumuseo.fi
Vantaa City Museum vantaanmaatalousmuseo.fi
Nissbacka Manor Sculpture Park kolumbus.fi/nissbacka-pullinen
Vantaa Agricultural Museum vantaanmaatalousmuseo.fi
The Church of St. Lawrence vantaanseurakunnat.fi/pyhan-laurin-kirkko

TOP EVENTS IN 2018

Vantaan Dance Festival in April, vanta.fi
Sun Festival 12 May, vanta.fi
Vantaa Day celebrations in Tikkurila and Myyrmäki 15 May, vanta.fi
Tikkurila Festival the best of Finnish pop&rock-music 20–21 July, tikkurilafestivaali.fi
BRQ Vantaa Festival baroque & classical music 5–12 August, brq.fi
Visit Lake Tuusula

Visiting Lake Tuusula, which is located only half an hour from Helsinki and 15 minutes from Helsinki-Vantaa airport, is like experiencing the whole of Finland in miniature. The lakeside is attractive and tranquil and it is difficult to believe you are not far from the capital city. Historical artists’ villas tell you the story of how Finnish culture was created. Come by local train from Helsinki or the airport and enjoy the area, with its peacefulness and rich cultural heritage, at your leisure.

SEE

The natural beauty of the lake attracted many masters of art, music and literature, and it is this which makes the area one of a kind in Finland. The golden age of Finnish art is brought to life at home museums which take the visitor back to the heyday of the Finnish National Romantic era at the turn of the 20th century. In addition to historical cultural sights, events and exhibitions, the area offers museums for those interested in military history.

Ainola

The home of Jean Sibelius, where visitors can still experience the silence which the composer considered indispensable for his work. Café and shop.

Ainolankatu, Järvenpää
Tel. +358 (0)9 287 322, ainola.fi

Halosenniemi

Impressive lakeside National Romantic-style log-built studio of the painter Pekka Halonen is open for public year-round. Changing art exhibitions feature the works of Halonen and other painters.

Halosenniementie 4–6, Tuusula
Tel. +358 (0)40 315 3466, halosenniemi.fi

Ahola

Home of the author, Juhani Aho and his wife, the painter, Venny Soldan-Brofeldt.

Sibeliuksenväylä 57, Järvenpää
Tel. +358 (0)40 315 2213, jarvenpaa.fi/ahola

Järvenpää Art Museum

The museum presents works of Eero Järnefelt and Venny Soldan-Brofeldt, as well as temporary exhibitions.

Kirjastokatu 8, Järvenpää
Tel. +358 (0)40 315 3581
jarvenpaa.fi/taidemuseo

EXPERIENCE

Cycling around Lake Tuusula is a popular activity. Beautiful scenery, historical sights and safe cycle paths entice both locals and visitors alike to cycle the circular 26 km route. If you do not have time to go around the whole lake, you can cycle a shorter distance, such as along the scenic museum road (approximately 4 km / 2 miles in length), where you will come across artists’ homes. Hire bicycles are available from Järvenpää city centre during the summer season.

Many events take place by the shores of the lake. Lake Tuusula provides the perfect location to experience Finnish Midsummer celebrations when several bonfires around the lake are lit. At the end of June, The Lakeside Blues Festival rocks the neighbourhood. In July, the bold and open-minded Our Festival takes place under the guidance of world renowned violinist Pekka Kuusisto.

In the wintertime, it is often possible to enjoy walking, skating and skiing on the ice. You can skate on the longest natural ice track in the Helsinki region. You can also try out kick sledging – super fun for all ages and no experience needed. Winter rental equipment is available from local hotels. Cross country skis, snow shoes and guided tours are also available from January to March, weather conditions permitting. Or how about a refreshing dip in icy water and a hot sauna afterwards?

EAT & ENJOY

Hotel and Restaurant Gustavelund
Kirkkotie 36, Tuusula
Tel. +358 (0)9 273 751, gustavelund.fi

Härmän Ratti Inn
Vähäjärventie 1a, Järvenpää
Tel. +358 45 156 7666, harmanratti.fi

Krapi Restaurant and Hotel
Rantatie 2, Tuusula
Tel. +358 (0)9 274 841, krap.fi

Onnela Inn
Rantatie 34, Tuusula
Tel. +358 (0)9 258 821, onnela.com

Scandic Hotel Järvenpää
Asema-aukio, Järvenpää
Tel. +358 (0)9 27 141
scandichotels.fi/jarvenpaa

Vanhankylä Manor House (Kartano) campsite, sauna and restaurant
Stålhanentie 4, Järvenpää
Tel. +358 44 709 0000
vanhankylanniemi.fi

TOP EVENTS IN 2018

Midsummer festivities
22 June, visitlaketuusula.fi

Lakeside Blues Festival
27 June–1 July, puistobluess.com

Tuusula Weeks and village fest
14–22 July, visitlaketuusula.fi

Our Festival
22–28 July, ourfestival.fi

The Night of the Arts, Tuusula
10 August, visitlaketuusula.fi
Lohja is a small town in the midst of unspoilt, true Finnish nature, only a half-hour drive from Helsinki. Be inspired by the same landscape that inspired the creator of the Finnish national epic, The Kalevala. Take a visit 100 meter underground in the renewed Tytyri Mine Experience. Find courses for golfing, trails to explore our forests and lakes for fishing or take part in events organised by local warm-hearted people.

SEE

Tytyri Mine Experience
The Tytyri Mine Experience takes visitors 100m below ground for a tour of an authentic mining environment. Visitors get to experience the genuine feeling of mines as they explore the mine galleries. The newly renewed Tytyri Mine Experience provides a geological exhibition, a new visitor center and KONE's elevator experience.

Opening hours: guided tours all year round from Monday to Sunday except on public holidays.
Address: Kuilukatu 42, Lohja Tel. +358 (0)44 369 1309 tytyrmineexperience.com

Gardens
Lohja gardens are the number one destination for those interested in gardening, but also excellent destinations for those travellers seeking tranquility. There are over 400 species of fruits in the Fruticetum fruit garden, including the apple, Lohja’s signature fruit. Magnolia Arboretum is an arboretum where there are trees, shrubs and perennials from different parts of the world, but mainly from China, Korea and Japan.

The Roots of Finnish Culture
The abundance of historic places and museums bring the roots of Finnish culture to life in Lohja. Did you know that the Finnish mining industry started from Ojamon manor in Lohja? Or that the Paikkari Cottage in Lohja is the birthplace and childhood home of Elias Lönnrot, the creator of the Finnish national epic The Kalevala? You can also visit the war museum dedicated to Finland’s role in World War II, or learn the lives of people in Lohja in the Lohja Museum.

Lohja Island
In Lohja Island you can see thousands of blossoming apple trees in May, and colourful apple trees in autumn when baskets can be filled with the delicious fresh apples. You are also welcome at the Ciderberg Apple Vineyard for some wine tasting or wine shopping. Vintage treasures on the other hand can be found from in the island boutiques Martinpiha and Villa Elegans.

EXPERIENCE

Experience Finnish Nature
It’s easy to enjoy the silence and feel the tranquility of Finnish nature in Karniaistenkorpi and on other nature trails in Lohja. Here in the woodlands you can find quietly flowing forest streams and two beautiful forest ponds. If you like you can also go berry or mushroom picking. Paavola oak is also a must see in Lohja. It’s one of the oldest trees in Lohja and has been named one of the most beautiful trees in Finland.

Lake Lohja, the largest lake in southern Finland, offers many enjoyable moments on the water. You can experience the unique atmosphere of Lake Lohja by rowing, canoeing or swimming in the summer, and in the winter you can go long distance skating on the lake.

On Lake Lohja, you will find open lake scenery and well-kept fishing waters. Pikeperch is the most common fish in the water but pike and trout can also be found. The biggest pikeperch caught from Lake Lohja was over 12 kilos.

Sport and leisure activities
It is hard to think of a sport you wouldn’t be able to experience in Lohja. Those with a preference for water sports swim and paddle in the summer, and in the winter they go for a long distance skating on a lake. The adrenaline junkies play laser tag in the woods, go ice surfing across lakes or diving in the under-water caves at Ojamo mine. Our international sport events such as orienteering world cup in Kisakallio or European girls golf championship in St. Laurence golf are not to be missed.

EAT & ENJOY

Cafés
Café culture in Lohja is diverse and travellers are sure to find their own favourite from the abundant supply. We recommend a visit to the lovely old-time café Lïisa, with a local souvenir shop next door, Café St. Honoré with mouth-watering cakes and pastries and to Café Lauri, where customers are pampered in the style of a European café. An experience to remember is the floating café Kaljaasi in the middle of the Lohja Lake.

TOP EVENTS IN 2018

Ice Carousel Festival
23-24 February, icecorouselfestival.fi

Lohja Café Day
7 June, visitlohja.fi

Watersports day in Aurlahti
28 July, uimallayli.fi

The Apple Festival
22 September, omenakarnevaalit.fi

Old Times Christmas Fair
15–16 December, bit.ly/oldtimechristmasfair
Hyvinkää
Active and close to nature

The active Hyvinkää of 47,000 inhabitants is located in the pine-covered esker area of Salpausselkä. Hyvinkää is close to nature and it has excellent traffic connections; the motorway and railway get you here from, for example, Helsinki in under an hour. Hyvinkää has many interesting destinations, and it is famous for its outdoor activity possibilities. Events are organised frequently and all year round.

SEE

The Finnish Railway Museum
The national special museum presents railway history in an authentic 1870s railway milieu. The unique collection includes, for example, the world’s only remaining parlour cars of the Russian emperor and Finland’s oldest locomotive.
Hyvinkääkatu 9, tel. +358 (0)307 25241 rautatiemuseo.fi

Hyvinkää Art Museum
The changing exhibitions include Finnish and international art. The permanent collection includes a room dedicated to Helene Schjerfbeck.
Hämeenkatu 3 D, tel. +358 40 480 1644 hyvinkaaantaidemuseo.fi

Wool Mill Milieu
The historic Wool Mill area includes various institutions and activities; everything from culture to delicious food experiences.
Villa Artu – Cultural Centre for Children and Young People. Changing exhibitions about children and young people’s culture and art education, and educational workshops.
Wool Mill, Kankurinkatu 4–6, tel. +358 (0)50 467 8308 artcentre.fi

Valvilla Mill Museum
In the park-like inner yard of the Wool Mill, in a small fire equipment storage building, there is a museum presenting the history of the wool mill.
Wool Mill, Kankurinkatu 4–6, tel. +358 (0)40 773 6257

EXPERIENCE

Sveitsi Park
Sveitsi Park provides excellent exercise and leisure services in a beautiful esker setting. A part of the park is a nature conservation area. 17 km of lit skiing tracks. The area also has, for example, accommodation possibilities, a horse riding centre, and an ice sports centre.

Sveitsi Leisure Centre
Hyvinkää’s Sveitsi is reborn. The legendary conference and leisure centre opened as completely renewed. Hotel Sveitsi expanded, and there are lots of new things for the whole family, for example, the indoor activity park Sveitsi SuperPark. Outside you’ll find Sveitsi Ski Centre.
Teerimäenkatu 6, tel. +358 (0)19 459 2487 sveisinhiihtokeskus.fi

Sveitsi Swimming Pool
The cosy and versatile pool provides, for example, a hot tub, massage showers, a water slide, a fantastic sauna-for-hire with a steam sauna, outdoor swimming pools with a large lawn area, a gym and a café.
Hyvinkää Erämatkat
Teerimäenkatu 6, tel. +358 (0)19 459 2487

Sveitsi Ski Centre
An action-packed centre for slalom skiers, snowboarders and cross-country skiers. There are four lit slopes, a snowboard slope, equipment hire and maintenance, a skiing school, a sled hill, lit skiing tracks and a slope café.
Pujottelutie 1, tel. +358 (0)19 488 283 sveisinhiihtokeskus.fi

Golf
There is one court in Sveitsi and two world-class courts in the cultural landscape of Kytäjä. Hyvinkää Golf, Golftie 63, tel. +358 (0)40 093 5558 www.hyvigolf.fi
Kytäjä Golf, Kytäjäntie 1265, tel. +358 (0)19 456 5700 kytajagolf.fi

Sveitsi Outdoor Recreation Area
An outdoor recreation area which expands straight from Sveitsi Park. The landscape has been shaped by ponds and rocks. You’ll find marked exercise and hiking tracks along which there are camping sites. Guided tours with wilderness treats are organised.
Hyvinkää Erämatkat
tel. +358 (0)40 502 3076, tero.lindholm@eramatkat.com

TOP EVENTS IN 2018

Rockfest, 6–9 June, a giant four-day event. Every festival day promises to have an international superstar as a headliner. rockfest.fi

Hyvinkää Day, 30 July, events are held at different cultural institutions around the city to celebrate the 101st anniversary of Hyvinkää.

The Finnish Railway Museum Day, in August, the traditional event for the whole family arranged at the Finnish Railway Museum. You’ll get to take a ride in a locomotive and to enjoy the treats at the summer café. rautatiemuseo.fi

Red Carpet Film Festival, 30 Aug–2 Sep, the best of Finnish cinema in Hyvinkää. Premiers, the year’s best movies and top artists at the festival club at the Wool Mill. redcarpetfilmfestival.fi

Hyvinkää’s Christmas
You’ll get to meet Mr. and Mrs. Clause at the Christmas opening parade. Treats and decorations, Christmas music and church concerts.

EAT & ENJOY

Harlekiini
Kauppatorii 1, harlekiini.com

Medicin Man
Uudenmaankatu 1, medicinman.fi

Ravintola Obelix
Villatehdas, Kankurinkatu 4–6 obelix.fi

Restaurants Tila and Alku
Hotel Sveitsi, Härkävehmaankatu 4 hotelsveitsi.fi

Cities of Hyvinkää Tourist Office • Kankurinkatu 4–6, FI-05800 Hyvinkää
Tel. +358 (0)400 269 831 • visit@hyvinkaa.fi • visithyvinkaa.fi • hyvinkaa.fi
Just an hour’s drive from the bustle of the metropolis lie a fascinating maritime idyll and old towns filled with traditional wooden houses. We invite you to relax in our forests and islands, to be inspired by our designers and cultural life and to sense the exciting history of our old streets and castles. Raseborg is situated halfway between Helsinki and Turku – ideally situated for a true adventure.

**SEE**

**EKENÄS** – a cosy coastal town with a picturesque Old Town.

**Ekenäs Nature Centre**
An interactive exhibition “A Sea of Change” that chronicles the changes in the nature and culture of the archipelago. Suitable for the whole family.

Strandallén, Ekenäs
Tel. +358 20 639 4613
nationalparks.fi

**EKTA museum**
Permanent exhibitions on the history of Raseborg and the famous painter Helene Schjerfbeck.

Tel. +358 19 289 2512
Gustav Wasas gata 11, Ekenäs
Open: Wed-Sun 11am-5pm, summertime daily 11am–5pm.

**Fiskars Village**
The old ironworks from 1649 is now a centre for contemporary art and design. Top designers’ products, various exhibitions and events, high quality conference, hotel and restaurant services, shops and workshops can be enjoyed all year round.

Fiskars Info
tel. +358 19 277 7504
fiskarsvillage.fi

Fiskars Museum
Exhibitions, guided tours, time travel adventures and events illustrating the history of Fiskars Village.

Åkerraden 9, Fiskars Village
Tel. +358 45 180 8111
Open 1.4–15.1: Wed-Sun 11am–4pm, summertime daily 11am–5pm.
fiskarsmuseum.fi

**Raseborg Castle Ruin**
The castle of Raseborg was founded in 1374. Midsummer festivities, guided tours, concerts and theatrical performances are organized at the ruins during summer. Full service restaurant and café.

Raseborgs Slottsväg 110, Snappertuna
Tel. +358 19 234 015
nationalparks.fi/raseborg

**Ekertä Manor**
One of the most important historic manors in Finland. The stories of the royals and ghosts who visited the manor in past times are truly fascinating. Museum, restaurant, hotel and conference facilities, open-air theatre, guided tours, exhibitions and events.

Hällsnäsvägen 89, Svartå
Tel. +358 19 362 31
mustionlinna.fi

**Billnäs Village**
The eventful history of Billnäs spans almost 400 years. The previously prosperous ironworks has taken a step back and made room for modern industry. Today Billnäs is an idyllic village much admired by tourists.

**EXPERIENCE**

**Archipelago cruise to Jussarö Island**
The old mining island is situated in the outermost regions of Ekenäs archipelago, close to the open sea. Departure at 11am from Ekenäs guest harbour, return at 4.30pm. 27 June–1 August on Wednesdays 30 €/person, children under 10 years free
m/s Myggen III, bookings tel. +358 19 289 2010

**Archipelago cruise to Rödjan**
The former fisherman’s croft Rödjan is situated on Älgö, the largest island in the Ekenäs archipelago national park. Departure at 11am from Ekenäs guest harbour, return at 2pm. 29 June–10 August on Fridays 20 €/person, children under 10 years free
m/s Myggen III, bookings

**Archipelago cruise with m/s Sunnan II**
Almost daily 2-4 hour cruises to the archipelago during summertime. There is a restaurant and a bar on board.

Tel. +358 19 241 1850
surfnet.fi/saaristoristeily/en/cruises

**Guided tours to the archipelago**
Spend a day at sea with an experienced guide. A trip to the archipelago can be arranged for 1-4 people, fishing trips for two. Archipelago tours 70 €/hour incl. boat.

Guide-Matti, tel. +358 40 581 4799
guidematti.fi

**EAT & ENJOY**

**A culinary tour!**
Local food and organic products are a way of life in Raseborg. The town’s restaurateurs understand the value of local ingredients and use them generously in their kitchens. Several small bakersies have developed their own recipes and use locally produced wheat and rye in their bread.

For more inspiration, please visit: visitraseborg.com

**TOP EVENTS IN 2018**

**Fiskars Antique Days**
5–8 July in Fiskars Village

**Ekenäs Summer Concerts**
1–5 August in Ekenäs

**Ekenäs Autumn Market**
20–22 September in Ekenäs

**Slow Food Festival**
6–7 October in Fiskars Village

More events on: visitraseborg.com ›› Events

RASEBORG TOURIST OFFICE, Ekenäs Town Square, 10600 Ekenäs/Tammisaari
Tel. +358 19 289 2010 • tourist.office@raseborg.fi • visitraseborg.com
Porvoo is a charming historical town that features riverside storehouses, narrow cobbled stone alleys, small boutiques, high quality restaurants and atmospheric cafes. Make an unforgettable romantic tour to Porvoo. There is frequent bus transportation daily from Helsinki bus terminal in Kamppi. The bus ride to Porvoo takes about 50 min.

SEE
Old Porvoo is like one huge museum with lots to offer all year round: architecture, art, handicrafts and antiques. A leisurely walk, a visit to a museum or exhibition, shopping in idyllic small shops, a break to enjoy a tasty meal or a drink – these are the most popular ingredients of an excursion to Porvoo.

Porvoo Cathedral is situated in the heart of Old Porvoo and is one of the most well-known buildings in the town. Built at the turn of the 14th century, the cathedral’s remarkable history has seen it burn down five times.

Home of J. L. Runeberg
Home museum of the Finnish national poet. The house and its surroundings give an interesting picture of housing and life in the mid-19th century. It is Finland’s oldest home museum, opened to the public in 1882.

Porvoo Museum / Old Town Hall & Holm House
Presents the history of Porvoo with exhibitions of arts and crafts. Raatihuoneentori Square, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 19 574 7500 porvoonmuseo.fi

Brunberg Chocolate Factory
Quality sweets manufacturer with traditions going back to 1871. Shops in both Old Porvoo and outside city centre. Stores offers samples. If you’re in the mood for exquisite sweets, this is the place to visit! Factory Shop: Teollisuuspiiri 19 B Old Town Shop: Väliskatu 4 brunberg.fi

EXPERIENCE
m/s J.L. Runeberg
Cruise ship m/s J.L. Runeberg, built 1912, cruises almost daily between Helsinki and Porvoo from May to September. Departure from Helsinki’s Market Square at 7:25 pm. Tel. +358 19 524 3331 mslruneberg.fi

River cruise
Enjoy Porvoo’s historic river landscape on a rivercruise with m/s Queen. Departure from Porvoo Harbour 16 Jun–25 Aug, Mon–Sun every hour between noon–5pm. Refreshments can be bought on board. Porvoo Line Tel. +358 207 118 333 royalline.fi

EAT & ENJOY
Tea and Coffee House Helmi
Väliskatu 7 teehelmi.fi

Cafe Postres
Gabriel Hagertinkuja, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 20 770 5390 cafepostres.fi

Cafe Fanny
Väliskatu 13, Old Porvoo Market Square Tel. +358 50 462 9924 cafefanny.fi

Bar & Café Porvoon Paahitamo
Mannerheiminkatu 2, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 19 617 040 porvoonpaahitamo.fi

Gabriel 1763 Bar & Restaurant
Jokikatu 20, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 40 1768 126 gabriel1763.fi

SicaPelle Wining & Dining
Kirkkotori 3, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 50 505 0425 sicapelle.fi

Meat District
Gabriel Hagertzin kuja, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 20 770 5390 meatdistrict.fi

L’amour Brasserie
Rihkamatori 2, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 10 505 4900 lamour.fi

Bistro Sinne
Kokonniementie 6, Art Factory Tel. +358 10 3228 140 sinneporvoo.fi

Hotel Haikko Manor
Haikkoonkatu 114, by the sea Tel. +358 600 15131 haikko.fi

Hotel Pariisin Ville
Jokikatu 43, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 19 580 131 parisiniville.fi

Boutique Hotel Onni
Kirkkotori 3, Old Porvoo Tel. +358 44 534 8110 hotelonni.fi

Bed & Breakfast Ida-Maria
Väliskatu 10 A, Old Porvoo tel. +358 45 8512 345 idamaria.fi

For more inspiration, travel blogs and groups see visitporvoo.fi

TOP EVENTS IN 2018
Me&My Self Lifestyle Fair at the Art Factory 7 Apr
Shopping Night in Old Porvoo, 4 May
Garden Fair at Haikko Manor 10–11 May
SMAKU Food Festival 1 Sep
Christmas Market at the Art Factory, 14–16 Dec
Loviisa is an idyllic seaside town, some 87 km east of Helsinki, less than one hour by car. Its sea landscapes, historical wooden buildings and beautiful countryside characterize the town. The town has a centre from the 19th century and an Old Town that dates back to the 18th century. The town is also known for its 18th century fortifications and 17th century ironworks. In his youth, the composer Jean Sibelius spent several summers in Loviisa.

Laivasilta Marina Area features a row of old salt sheds that today house restaurant-cafés, shops and exhibitions. The Maritime Museum presents the long history of seafaring in Loviisa. Laivasilta is the home harbour of the sailingship Österstjernan and the departure point for cruises to Svartholma Sea Fortress. The services are available in summer.

Svartholma Sea Fortress (1748) lies on an island in Loviisanlahti bay some 10 km from the town centre. There are cruises to the island, guided walking tours and an exhibition called Svartholma – Island of soldiers, prisoners and visitors 20 June–5 August. There is also a summer restaurant and free berths for boats.

Strömfors Iron Works lies some 17 km east of the centre of Loviisa. The Iron Works area hosts artisans and other service entrepreneurs. In summer there are forging demonstrations using a waterhammer, a church, a museum and exhibitions. There are restaurants, cafés and accommodation possibilities available all year.

Loviisa Town Museum is located in the 18th century Commandant’s House in the centre of Loviisa. Many exhibitions through the year.

Rönnsä lies some 30 km west of the centre of Loviisa. The Rönnsä Archipelago Museum presents the history of the archipelago of Loviisa. It is open from 1 June to 12 August Wed–Sun. Nearby is also a golf course, a restaurant, a café and cottages for rent.

Malmgård Manor lies about 25 km west of the centre of Loviisa. There is a brewery and a manor shop selling organic products produced at the estate.

Bonga Castle is an atelier-museum of Riitta Nelimarkka. Over 200 works are on display, the items range from colourful textiles to oil paintings and drawings. The gallery is open during events and for groups, bookings bonga.fi

EXPERIENCE

M/S J.L. Runeberg offers cruises from Helsinki to Loviisa on Thursdays in July. The cruises depart from Helsinki Market Square at 10 am. mjsjuneberg.fi

Cruises aboard M.Aux Österstjernan, a replica of a packet yacht, which sailed between Loviisa and Stockholm in the 19th century. osterstjernan.fi

Ehrensvård’s Trail is a two-kilometre nature path in the centre of Loviisa. Discover the history of fortress building, the architectural heritage, vegetation and bird population in the area.

Eija’s Garden includes English style gardens around a garden shop. Eija’s Garden is located in the village of Ahvenkoski some 14 km east of the centre of Loviisa. eijasgarden.fi

Sunny Bikes bike rental. sunnybikes.fi

EAT & ENJOY

Bakery-Café Vaherkylä-Ek
Aleksanterinkatu 2
tel. +358 (0)400 477 266
vaherkyla.fi

Bistro Cantor & Ölvin Beer & Wine House
Mariankatu 1
tel. +358 (0)40 135 5003
olvin.fi, bistrocantor.fi

Café-Restaurant Saltbodan
Laivasilta 4, tel. +358 (0)40 504 5051
Open in summer, saltbodan.fi

Café Tuhanen Tuskan Kahvila
Poikkikuja, tel. +358 (0)44 019 5971
tuhanentuskankahvila.fi

Restaurant Café Sakura Deli
Brandensteininkatu 11
tel. +358 (0)40 838 2717
sakurocatering.com

Restaurant Loviisan Kappeli
Kuningattarenkatu 19
tel. +358 19 581 437
teehelmi.fi

Strömfors Bed & Bistro
Ruukintie 10 A, tel. +358 10 504 7100
bedandbistro.fi

SALES & GUIDED TOURS

Porvoo Tours – Loviisa Tours
Guided tours and group tour programmes upon agreement.
Tel. +358 (0)19 574 2200
porvootours.fi

TOP EVENTS IN 2018

Rootsinsyhtaa Bluegrass & Rendezvous 8–10 June
Roses & Gardens – a rosy weekend, 7–8 Jul
Historical Houses of Loviisa – Traditional Finnish Building and Renovation Days, 25–26 August
The Loviisa Sibelius Festival 6–9 September
Loviisa Christmas 1–2 December and 8–9 December

LOVIISA TOURIST INFORMATION • Mariankatu 12 A, FI-07900 Loviisa
Tel. +358 (0)40 555 3387 • info@loviisa.fi • visitloviisa.fi
Hämeenlinna is located only one hour’s train ride from Helsinki, Finland’s oldest inland town, Hämeenlinna, is especially known for its medieval castle, of the magical nature reserve Aulanko and as the birth place of the composer Jean Sibelius. Hämeenlinna is also known as town of mega events as for e.g. AC/DC, Iron Maiden and Guns N’ Roses has brought over 130 000 visitors to Kantola Event Park.

SEE

Sensing culture at Verkatehdas
Verkatehdas is an old red-brick factory which used to house a textile mill. Today, it acts as a versatile cultural centre. Café and restaurant services are available all year round.

Paasikiventie 2
verkatehdas.fi
hameenlinna.fi/taidemuseo

The Castle peninsula
Linnanniemi (The Castle area) on the shore of Vanajavesi is an area which contains a unique complex of museums, open all year. The medieval castle, prison buildings and army barracks from the 19th century are an imposing sight. An eye-opening experience for anyone sharing the conventional concept of a museum!

Kustaa III:nkatu 8
kansallispuistomuseo.fi

Kantola mural
The newest attraction in Hämeenlinna is the mural in Kantola area. Upeafest street art festival produced 21 works of art in 13 cities around Finland. In September 2017, the highest mural in the Nordic countries was created in Hämeenlinna. Guido van Helten, an Australian artist, worked on the painting for almost a month.

Mylärinkatu 5
visitohameenlinna.fi/kantolamuraali

Hämeenlinna city center
There are many fascinating sights on the market square located at the heart of the city and the street around it, such as the birthplace of Jean Sibelius and the Hämeenlinna church. The Palander Houses gives a glimpse into the lives of the gentry in the 19th century, and the Wetterhoff House sells handmade souvenirs.

Kantasenkatu 8
hmlmuseo.fi/in-english/
wetterhoff.fi

Ahvenisto Action Park
Ahvenisto Action Park offers experiences, recreation and fun activities to visitors of all ages! In addition to the recently renovated and legendary public pool (sometimes with Wibit waterpark) the area offers hiking paths, sandy beaches, Flow-Park adventure tracks and cafe.

Olympiakatu 18–20
ahvenisto.to/en

Finnish Silverline cruises
Get to know the city from the water on a cruise on the beautiful lake Vanajavesi. Enjoy day, evening or theme cruises from the ferry harbor located in the center of the city. The ferries have excellent restaurants onboard.

hopealinjat.fi

Iittalan lasimäki – Iittala Glass Center
Iittala Glass Center is a diverse and pleasant shopping and tourism destination located north of Hämeenlinna. In addition to shopping, you can learn about the history of glass-making and watch some incredibly talented glass-blowers at work.

Hollaajantie 2, Iittala
iittalanlasimaki.fi/en

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iittalanlasimaki.fi/en

Häme Medieval Festival
15–19 August, keskiilamarkkinat.fi

Naivist in littala exhibition
19 May–19 August, naivistitiittalassa.fi

Wanaja Festival
6–7 July, wanajafestival.fi

Linna Jazz
12–15 July, linnojazz.fi

Hippolot – Arts festival for children
2–5 August, hippolot.fi

Hämeenlinna Tourist Information
Tel. +358 3 621 3373
tourist.info@hameenlinna.fi
visithameenlinna.fi
facebook.com/VisitHameenlinna.fi
Find the hidden secret in Southwest Finland coastal area

Only one hour away from the hustle of Helsinki area you can find a spontaneous small city – definitely worth a visit! Salo offers plenty to enjoy and experience all year round - like local food, Finnish lifestyle and cheerful events to enjoy. Manors, ironworks mills and museums tell you stories about the rich history. Salo is also a gateway to the Finnish archipelago with thousands of small islands and summer houses.

Our highlights for travellers are Teijo National Park and its surrounding idyllic Teijo ironworks villages. For nature-lovers we offer lots of outdoor activities and a special village lifestyle. We have guided tours and programmes for individual travellers and small groups. You can easily join our weekly summer programme with special nature and activity programmes, guided manor and mill tours, art & crafts and fin-relax programs. In Salo you can find out how the Finns live and love!

SEE

Wiurila Manor
Wiurila is an esteemed manor of Finland, located 5 minutes from Salo and 1 hour 15 min from Helsinki. In possession of the Armfelt family since 1787, Wiurila is rich in history, heritage and timeless architecture. Today, Wiurila is an experience centre where history meets modern life. Meet the entrepreneurial Armfelt ancestors. Be present in the moment and relish in culture, art and nature.

Wiurilantie 126, Halikko
wiurila.fi

Salo Art Museum Veturitali
The 100-year-old locomotive shed in Salo now has new purpose as an art museum. Changing exhibitions, cultural events and concerts.

Mariankatu 14, Salo
salontaidemuseo.fi/en

Salo Electronics Museum
The glamour of old radios and televisions, the history of making mobile phones in Salo.

Salarankatu 5-7, Salo
salomus.fi

EXPERIENCE

Teijo National Park
You can explore the wild natural settings and enjoy typically Finnish scenery with peaceful lakes, beautiful seashore, forests and swamp. Pack your backpack for a memorable day picnic or campout and try canoeing or fishing. In Teijo National park you can see many aspects of Finnish nature in one, compact package. Guided tours and nature excursions, independent hikes, sauna experiences.

Teijo National Park and Teijo Nature Centre, Matildanjärventie 84, Mathildedal
nationalparks.fi/teijo

Mathildedal Ironworks village
Spend a downshifting day in a charming ironworks village, delve into the area’s history while visiting the ironmills historical exhibition. Visit the alpaca farm and the alpaca mill with its shop. Taste the local beer and visit the village bakery. Step into the world of delicacies and try some hand-crafted chocolates in the new chocolate room. Have a cup of coffee roasted in the village roastery. Enjoy the scenery to the sea and experience the idyllic village life and live like locals.

Ruukinrannantie 6, Mathildedal
mathildedal.fi

EAT & ENJOY

Kuoro Café
Charming and traditional cafe at the centre of Salo. Homemade pastries and local delicacies. Open all year round.

Helsingintie 5, Salo
kuironleipomo.fi

Café Maku
Located in the middle of Salo. Genuine table service, home-made baked goods and lunch. For tea lovers a great selection!

Turuntie 5, Salo
cafemaku.fi

Salon Seurahuone Restaurant
Located in the centre of Salo in an idyllic wooden house. During weekdays a perfect place for lunch. The terrace serves grilled lunches on summer Thursdays.

Asemakatu 1, Salo
salonseurahuone.fi

Restaurant Ruukin Krouvi
Local countryside food and friendly service in an old workshop. Open all year round.

Ruukinrannantie 6, Mathildedal
ruukinkrouvi.fi

Mathildedal Marina
Restaurant located next to the sea-shore with genuine food and personal service. The menu is based on locally produced ingredients of the season. Daily changing menu, fish of the day.

Matildan Puistotie 4, Mathildedal
mathildanmarina.fi/en

TOP EVENTS IN 2018

The popular evening markets on summer Thursdays from June to August bring Finnish music performances, traders, pancake cafés, second hand shops and a children’s flea market to the Salo marketplace.

Salo Jazz Festival, 28-29 Sep, salojazz.fi

Salo Autumn Market, 27-29 Sep

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ruukinkrouvi.fi

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mathildanmarina.fi/en

Let Salo surprise you!
An exciting day trip to Kouvola is waiting for you! Your day trip can include an adventure in a National Park, a stroll in a forest park or a relaxing sauna experience. You can get to Kouvola from Helsinki with public transport in under an hour and half, so pristine Finnish nature is right at your fingertips. In addition to beautiful nature, you can explore living history and enjoy the flavors of local food.

SEE
In the UNESCO World Heritage Site Verla Groundwood and Board Mill you’ll step into the end of the 19th century. A verdant garden, architectonically valuable buildings and an old cardboard factory with its original equipment have been preserved perfectly in their original state. Ankkapurha Culture Park is the perfect setting for exploring the area around the Kymijoki River. The park is a haven for outdoor activities and different cultural events. Fans of the famous Finnish architect Alvar Aalto will fall in love with Kouvola’s Tehtaanmäki area, which is located right across the river from Ankkapurha.

Kouvola’s Museum Quarter is a tribute to the railroad history of Kouvola. Nowadays, the area is filled with workshops for artisans and small boutiques. Poikilo Museums are also located in Kouvola’s Museum Quarter. Poikilo has interesting art exhibitions for culture lovers and fans of modern art.

EXPERIENCE
Arboretum Mustila is one of the most significant forest parks in Northern Europe. The park is located along route 8, just an hour’s drive from Helsinki. You can explore the woods and after that relax with a cup of coffee in a café. You might also like to visit Mustila Viini, where you can taste and buy locally made berry wine and other products.

Tykkimäki Amusement Park is Kouvola’s very own amusement oasis and the area is perfect for families. The amusement park has over 40 rides and games, a petting zoo and a camping area, Tykkimäki Camping. Right next to the amusement park, you’ll find Tykkimäki Aquapark where you can savor the sun and enjoy wild water rides. Aquapark is located at Kouvola’s own Copacabana, Käyrälampi beach. The newest addition to the amusement park family is Tykkimäki Actionpark, and indoor activity park open year-round.

The locals have fallen in love with Tykkimäki Sauna, a public sauna located close to the city centre. During the summer time you can swim in the clean waters of Käyrälampi, after relaxing in the sauna. During the winter season, you can also experience the wonderful sensation of ice-swimming.

Along the way to Repovesi National Park, Vuohijärvi Nature and Culture House provides a perfect pit stop. In addition to interesting art exhibitions, lovers are welcomed to leave a love lock in the garden.

DAY TRIP TO REPOVESI NATIONAL PARK
We have planned an unforgettable day in Kouvola for you. First, take a train to Kouvola. Kouvola’s main railway station is located in the city centre, thus, you’ll immediately be in the hot spot. Now, you are in Kouvola! First and foremost, welcome!

Your next step is a taking the bus to Repovesi National Park. The busses leave from the main railway station, so you are right where you need to be. The city centre has free WiFi so you can easily check the timetables from visitkouvola.fi.

The first highlight in Repovesi is Lapinsalmi suspension bridge. The bridge is one of most popular and important landmarks in the park, so before crossing to the other side, take a moment to admire the serene lake view that surrounds you.

For a day in the park, we recommend the Fox trail, which is 5 kilometers long. The trail will take you along the ponds and rugged forest trails on top of a mighty cliff, where you will gaze upon the entire park. The view is a perfect souvenir. Please, make sure your phone has some juice in it, so you can capture this postcard image.

Did you think the excitement was over? No, not at all. The trail has one more surprise at the very end. Remember when you crossed the water with a suspension bridge at the beginning of your super-awe-some-adventure? Now it’s time to take the Fox ferry and cross the waters of Repovesi one last time! The ferry is powered with your own muscles, so you’ll get a nice workout.

Take one last look at Repovesi, because it’s time to take the bus back to the city. Naturally, you can hop in a train but we also have wonderful accommodation services. Why not spend the night with us? Or would you dare to experience a night in a rental hut in Repovesi National Park? Enjoy!

TOP EVENTS IN 2018
Kymi GP, 15–16 June, an international trotting race
Kouvola Magic Days, 27–29 July, a magic event for the whole family
Medieval Fair, 4–5 August, a traditional medieval event
Local Food Fair, 8–9 September, a celebration of local food and other local products
Christmas Markets, several festive Christmas events all around the city
Kotka-Hamina Region is a seaside region with the River Kymi and its rapids, wonderful urban parks, outstanding cultural events and sights and dazzling history of the border region - all less than an hour’s drive from Helsinki and just a stone’s throw from the Russian border.

SEE
An attractive seaside region with colourful history of the border region
Maritime Centre Vellamo

Aquarium House Maretarium

Langinkoski Imperial Fishing Lodge
Summer residence built for the Russian Czar Alexander III, besides the River Kymi. Keisarinmajantie 118, Kotka tel. +358 50 304 2604 langinkoskimuseo.fi Open daily May – Sep (except closed on Midsummer Eve 22 Jun 10–14)

Hamina Bastion
used to be the central bastion of the fortress. Its outer walls enclose a total of 58 vaults and lookoutes, which surround an arena of almost one hectare in size. During the summer, the Bastion is covered with the largest canopy in Europe and it audiences various kinds of events. haminabastioni.fi
The Salpa Line is one of the strongest and best preserved chains of fortifications in Europe built during the Second World War.
Salpa Line Museum
Säästöpirtintie 70, Miehikkälä www.salpakeskus.fi/en Open: in May and Sep Wed–Sun 10am–6pm, Jun–Aug daily 10am–6pm
Virolahti Bunker Museum
Vaalimaaantie 1318, Virolahti salpakeskus.fi/en Open: 1 Jun–31 Aug daily 10am–6pm

EXPERIENCE
Hamina Tattoo – International Military Music Festival 30 Jul–4 Aug 2018
The international Hamina Tattoo is a military music festival which has already become a tradition. The historical fortress town of Hamina creates a magnificent setting for the event. During the Tattoo week, the streets and parks of the town are filled with audiences which can enjoy the concerts, parade and fantastic March Shows by the military bands. haminatattoo.fi

Hamina region has more than 100 kilometres of coastline, thousands of cliffs and coves and a perfect sea offering special sites for hikers, anglers and bird-watchers, urban parks, Valkansa National Park in Pyhtää and Gulf of Finland National Park in the archipelago. The River Kymi is the best salmon river in Southern Finland and it offers also various activities on and by the river: rapids shooting, swimming and fishing.

Arkтика, as the north-bound mass migration of arctic birds is called in Finland. The most spectacular moments take place in May when millions of waterbirds and hundreds of thousands of geese migrate via the Gulf of Finland to their nesting places on the arctic tundra. The Arkтика days 10–20 May 2018 in Virolahti provide a fascinating programme of discovery also for international visitors. Bird guides teach guests to identify the different birds, and on personally guided Arkтика cruises you can even go birdwatching at sea - right alongside the Russian border.

Sirius Sport Resort is a completely new kind of recreational sports centre in Pyhtää providing indoor surfing, wind-tunnel flying and rope climbing. siriusport.fi/en

EAT & ENJOY
Enjoy local delicacies and cosy atmosphere of restaurants and cafes in Kotka-Hamina region and why not stay overnight and relax in a five-star holiday resort Santalahti or SpaHotel Hamina.

Restaurant Keisarisatama
Metsantie 41, Kotka keisarisatama.com
Fortress Restaurant Kamu! Hamina Bastion ravintolakamu.fi/en
Mansion Karhulan Hovi
Karhulan Hovin tie, Kotka karhulanhovi.fi
Santalahdi Holiday Resort*****
Santalahdantie 150, Kotka tel. +358 5 260 5055 santalahdi.fi
SpaHotel Hamina
Sibelluskatu 52, Hamina tel. +358 5 555 5555 spa@hotellhamina.fi

TOP EVENTS IN 2018
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Kaakko Chamber Music Festival, Virolahti, 3–8 July, www.kaakkoifestIVALI.fi/eng
Kotka Maritime Festival 26–29 July, meripaivat.com
Hamina Tattoo Festival 30 July–4 August, haminatattoo.fi
Archipelago Market, Pyhtää, 17–18 Aug

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KOTKA-HAMINA REGION SOUTHEAST FINLAND

Raw by Nature – Kotka, Hamina, Pyhtää, Miehikkälä, Virolahti

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Welcome to the Exotic
Lake Saimaa

Lake Saimaa region encompassing the cities of Lappeenranta, Imatra, Mikkeli, Savonlinna and Varkaus can be reached only 215 kilometers from Helsinki. Saimaa is the most beautiful lake area in Europe and it is in the top five most beautiful lakes in the world according to the World Street Journal listing of 2014.

Journey the amazing labyrinth of 15,000 islands and 15,000 kilometers of shoreline in heart of Finnish Lakeland where the seasonal changes are reflected in the variety of experiences. Extreme purity and serenity of the region can be experienced by relaxing activities and adopting to harmonious Finnish lifestyle. Northern lights can be captured during the changing seasons and the midnight sun enlightens the summer experience.

UNIQUE EXPERIENCES

Known as the hospitable region, locals assist in various activities one may wish to try out: hiking in the mysterious forests, fishing, boating, canoeing or berry and mushroom picking. Activities range from simple trials to extreme floating in the river in the dry suit or parasailing. In the summer season it is a must to take an archipelago or canal cruise. The Saimaa ringed seal, one of the most endangered species in the world, having a total population of only 360 individuals, lives in Lake Saimaa. Winter brings the ice fishing, cross-country skiing and skating on the frozen lake.

HISTORICAL GEMS

While visiting the Saimaa lake region near the border between Finland and Russia you can capture the rich history of the region where traditions from West and East have created a unique way of life – and take home fond memories of medieval Olavinlinna Castle and Lappeenranta fortress, farmlands and forests, beautiful manor houses and gardens. For four summer weeks, the Olavinlinna castle courtyard hosts the world-famous Savonlinna Opera Festival first held in 1912. Between May and September you can cruise the Saimaa Canal all the way to Vyborg, Russia and visit St. Petersburg visa-free for 72 hours.

SLOW DOWN AND ENJOY THE TRANQUILLITY OF LAKE SAIMAA

The versatile selection of hotels available in the Lake Saimaa area will cater for all accommodation needs from high-end to more rustic cottage type accommodation. The villas are situated by the lakeside, and they all come with sauna for you to swim from your own shore.

LOCAL DELIGHTS

The Finnish and Nordic cuisines are delightfully combined with Russian flavors in the region. The tastes are simple, yet rich, and the meals often consist of bread, root vegetable, meat and fish sourced by local producers and farms.

Peaceful living, quiet environment, large ancient forests, the numerous faces of the lakes, a calm Finnish lifestyle wait at Saimaa, the Lake.
NATIONAL PARKS

There are 40 national parks in Finland. This picture was taken in Repovesi National Park near Kouvola. Highlights include a hanging bridge, the hand-operated Fox’s ferry, and beautiful views over the treetops from the park’s high spots.
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**ESPOO**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station to Leppävaara: local trains A, E, U, Y, L.
- BY BUS from Leppävaara to Serena Water Park and Ski Resort: bus 236.
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station to Espoon keskus: trains E, U, L.
- BY BUS from Espoon keskus to Nuuksio National Park: buses 245, 245K.
- BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station to Serena Water Park and Ski Resort: bus 236.

**HÄMEENLINNA**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: trains IC, express and commuter train R. BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station: all ExpressBus services to Tampere stop in Hämeenlinna.
- BY CAR along E12 motorway.

**HYVINKÄÄ**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station.

**JÄRVENPÄÄ**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: commuter train R to Järvenpää or Ainola stations.
- BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station, platform 10. Buses marked Hyyrylä and Järvenpää.

**KOUVOLA**
- BY CAR along E18 highway, travel time about 1 h 15 min (115 km).
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki railway station every other hour, travel time 1 h 20 min.
- BY BUS several daily busses from Helsinki Airport or Kamppi Bus Station.
- Train timetables: www.vr.fi
- Bus timetables: www.matkahuolto.fi
- Journey planner for Helsinki Region: www.reittiopas.fi

**KOTKA–HAMINA REGION**
- BY CAR along E18 motorway (Helsinki-Kotka and Hamina).
- Some 20 daily bus services between Helsinki and Kotka and Hamina. Several BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station around 20 times per day, plus several daily busses from Helsinki Airport.

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**LAKE TUUSULA**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: commuter train R to Järvenpää or Ainola stations.
- BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station, platform 10. Buses marked Hyyrylä and Järvenpää.

**LOFISA**
- BY CAR along highway 6 (Helsinki-Kouvola).
- BY TRAIN under 1.5 hours Helsinki-Kouvola.
- Allegro train from Helsinki to Kouvola and St. Petersburg.
- BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station several times per day.

**PORVOO**
- BY BUS There is frequent bus transportation daily from Kamppi Bus Station. The bus ride to Porvoo takes about 50 min.

**SALO**
- BY CAR along the E18 highway, travel time about 1 h 15 min (115 km).
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki railway station every other hour, travel time 1 h 20 min.
- BY BUS several daily busses from Helsinki Airport or Kamppi Bus Station.

**VANTAALAA**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: trains E, U, L.
- BY BUS from Espoon keskus to Nuuksio National Park: buses 245, 245K.

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**VÄRMA**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: trains IC, express and commuter train R. BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station: all ExpressBus services to Tampere stop in Hämeenlinna.
- BY CAR along E12 motorway.

**HYVINKÄÄ**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station.

**JÄRVENPÄÄ**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: commuter train R to Järvenpää or Ainola stations.
- BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station, platform 10. Buses marked Hyyrylä and Järvenpää.

**KARJAA**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: trains IC, express and commuter train R. BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station: all ExpressBus services to Tampere stop in Hämeenlinna.
- BY CAR along E12 motorway.

**VASA**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: trains IC, express and commuter train R. BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station: all ExpressBus services to Tampere stop in Hämeenlinna.
- BY CAR along E12 motorway.

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**HAMINA**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: trains IC, express and commuter train R. BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station: all ExpressBus services to Tampere stop in Hämeenlinna.
- BY CAR along E18 motorway (Helsinki-Kotka and Hamina).

**KOTKA**
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**LOHIJA**
- BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station: platform 27. Buses marked Lohja or Virkkala.

**LAKE TUUSULA**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: commuter train R to Järvenpää or Ainola stations.
- BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station, platform 10. Buses marked Hyyrylä and Järvenpää.

**LÖWS**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station: trains IC, express and commuter train R. BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station: all ExpressBus services to Tampere stop in Hämeenlinna.
- BY CAR along E12 motorway.

**MIKKELI**
- BY CAR along E18 highway, travel time about 1 h 15 min (115 km).
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki railway station every other hour, travel time 1 h 20 min.
- BY BUS several daily busses from Helsinki Airport or Kamppi Bus Station.

**RAISEBORG**
- BY TRAIN from Helsinki Central Railway Station. BY BUS from Kamppi Bus Station several times per day.

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