



BOOKING AND COMMISSIONS

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HIGHLIGHTS OF LOHJA

- 2 days tour for silver and golden weeks and summer holidays



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Two days package for groups from 8 to 16 persons includes:

- guided transportations
- guided visit to Tytyri mine experience
- light lunch at Tytyri
- home visit at Laine family
- · accommodation in Gasthaus Lohja
- guided walks in Karkali strick nature reserve and Torhola Cave
- picnic lunch in Karkali
- coffee break and handicrafts at Kettukallion Elämystila
- smoke sauna & hot tub at Kettukallion Elämystila
- dinner by the camp fire at Kettukallion Elämystila

PROGRAM

Departure from Helsinki to Lohja in the morning. The bus ride will take ca 1h.

Tytyri mine experience

We take you over 100 meters below ground level where history of miners is strongly present. Visitors can excavate a small piece of limestone to take home. Souvenir that is around 1.6 billion years old. Geological exhibition tells the story why our nature in this area is so rich with thousands of apple trees, hazel nut bushes and beautiful flowers.

The highlight of the tour will be the light and music artwork Jean Sibelius Finlandia. Beautifully presented light show with changing lights reflecting in a massive surface of the excavated area, which is 100 meters deep and 100 meters wide.

Light lunch at Tytyri

You will have light lunch with local apple juice in a beautiful space.

Home visit at Laine family

Laine family home is located by the lake Lohjanjärvi. It's time to relax and enjoy the view and the atmosphere.

Walk by the lake and a picnic lunch

During the visit you will have a walk by the lake Lohjanjärvi to Liessaari and hear some stories about the beautiful Finnish nature. There is a lot of hazel nut trees and wild flower by the path. We will enjoy picnic lunch including salad and a roll with coffee or tea in the forest or by the lake.

Laine family garden

In our garden you will find many useful plants such as hazel nut bushes, apple trees, berry bushes, salads, tomatoes, strawberries etc. Even plants that attract butterflies. There are places where you can sit and just enjoy the view to the lake Lohjanjärvi.

During harvest season we can pick fruits, berries and salad straight from our garden.

Preparing food together

We will prepare mushroom soup and blueberry pie together in our kitchen. Picking mushrooms and berries has been an important way of spending time in forest for generations.

Writing post cards

Then you can enjoy and sit by the fireplace and write post cards back home to your loved ones. We will take them to local post office to be send.

Sauna

During the day there's an option to have a sauna in our home and swim in the Lake Lohjanjärvi.

Meal at Laine family

At the evening it's time to enjoy a traditional Finnish meal and taste the food we prepared together earlier. Dinner includes salad, different sorts of fish, potatoes, sauce. For dessert blueberry pie with whipped cream and coffee or tea.

Accommodation in Gasthaus Lohja

Gasthaus Lohja is a small, cosy family-run hotel in the centre of Lohja. Hotel is located nearby Lake Lohja and forest. Each will have a recently renovated single or double room, including bathroom with shower. All rooms are unique and there 's an access from rooms to shared big terrace-area.

Breakfast is served in a nice cellar restaurant, which is open also in the evening.

DAY 2

Guided transportation to Torhola

Torhola Cave

It is 500m walk to the cave from the parking lot. The Torhola Cave is the largest limestone cave in Finland and about 30 metres long in total. The area is surrounded by a forest rich in many rare plant and fungus species.

Karkali Strict Nature Reserve

The 2-km long nature trail in Karkali Strict Nature Reserve will take us to a natural spring that is used by local people and many Karkali visitors to drink water. Along this trail you can find out more about the diverse natural features of the lush forests. There is a beautiful meadow where grass is cut once a year to keep the area open and favourable for many flowering plants, butterflies and other insects. The guide will tell you about the history of the area and favourable climate and the rock foundation which is providing special environment for flora and fauna living in the area.

Picnic lunch at Karkali

Hot mushroom soup, local apple juice and homemade bread. Walk back to the bus and continue to Kettukallion Elämystila homestead 13km (~20 min drive).

Kettukallion Elämystila is built amongst Finnish nature. You can see beautiful woods reflected from the forest pond and enjoy the

silence of the nature. There's plenty of rustic tools and other items all around so there's a lot of things to wonder and watch.

Coffee break and handicrafts

Then it's time to relax. You will have a cup of coffee or tea and something very Finnish to eat, for example apple or blueberry pie. You will also have a possibility to do some small handicrafts.

Smoke sauna and a hot tub

Finally it's time for sauna! We have a traditional Finnish smoke sauna, where you can take your time enjoying the refreshing atmosphere. Smoke sauna is the origin of our everyday sauna. Right beside the smoke sauna there is a hot tub where you can sit and relax listening to the nature. The hot tub has room for 8 persons.

Dinner

Dinner is served in the idyllic lapp hut. Dinner is cooked on open fire just for you. Dinner includes starter salad based on Finnish vegetables and main course: blazed salmon, baked potatoes, grilled vegetables and sauce. After dinner we offer you coffee or tea cooked by fire.

Transportation back to Helsinki leaves at 20pm

Excursion facts:

Duration: 2 days, ca 9.30 am to 21.00 pm.

Location: Distance from Helsinki ca 60 km. You will visit many places trough tour.

Group Size: for groups (min 8. - max.16)

Availability: May - October on request

Guided: Guidance languages Finnish and English

Price: 5190€/8 persons, extras 595€/ person

What's included: All transportations, guiding, 5 hours home visit, accommodation, breakfast, walks in a nature, picnic lunch, some handicrafts, smoke sauna, hot tub, towels, dinner by the camp fire

Participants are advised to wear comfortable and warm clothing and hiking boots.

How to get there: The bus will pick you up from the Helsinki-Vantaa airport, harbour or from some hotel