

Finland, Culture and Wildlife Tour 7 days / 6 nights

**From € 2065 vat included
Summer 2024**

Guided hiking and biking tour in Syöte National park and Wild Taiga is a great way to learn about Finnish nature and culture! The routes follow sandy forest roads and paths and lead us through the taiga forests, swamps and wilderness lake shores. Take a tour of wild nature, feel the fresh summer of Finland and explore the cultural sites in the area with the local expert. Wildlife, strong nature and warm hospitality is an experience never to forget.

During the trip, breaks will be held in beautiful locations and picnic lunch is served usually outdoors. Sauna, swimming in the lake and midnight sun are pure Finnish experiences!



Facts of the trip

Location : Syöte National Park, Wild Taiga area, Northern Finland.

Availability : On request 1.6.–30.9.

Dates : 22-29.6.2024, 29.6.–6.7.2024, 6.–13.7.2024.

Number of participants : Min 4 persons, max 12 persons.

Equipment: Participants have their own outdoor clothing due to the weather. Please ask the whole list of equipment after booking.

Equipment included in the price: Good quality mountain bike with fat tires, helmet.

Tour level: Intermediate. Participants are required to have a good basic fitness. Previous biking experience is obligatory.

Language : English

Insurance : We require participants to have their own insurance for outdoor activities in Finland.

DAY 1 | PARIS / OULU



Finnair flights to Oulu. Arrival to Oulu Airport or railway station, where your guide is waiting for you. Approx. two-hours transport to Syöte. Meeting the group and accommodation in cosy twin rooms or hotel rooms. Welcoming dinner, short briefing, introduction of Syöte National Park, maps, and the program. Safety issues and discussion about sustainable tourism and how we put it into practice during our trip. Hot sauna and sweet dreams.

DAY 2 |

Tour begins from Syöte after a complete Finnish breakfast with many local delicacies! Short transport to Syöte National Park Visitor Centre to hear stories about the Ice age and the special features of the area. After the exhibition, we start to explore the nature around with nice and easy mountain fat-bikes. The route goes on beautiful hills and through the old pine forests. The terrain is very varied; the route goes up and down in a few square kilometers area.



Lovely picnic lunch at a wooden shelter by a beautiful lake. The circle route takes us back to starting point. Transport back to the accommodation, dinner, hot sauna, and a refreshing swim in a small lake. Day's biking distance is approximately 20 km.

DAY 3 |



After breakfast, it is time to explore Finnish nature and its special features with your local guide by foot! After a few minutes of transport, we'll visit interesting Annintupa hut and Teerivaara trails which give you a learning experience about the Finnish geology and history of the local area. The trail goes on in varied terrain, mostly small forest paths. Visit in Teerivaara wilderness hut which is one of the most interesting natural sites in the Syöte area because of its beautiful views. A short hiking trip to the highest point of the hill with a view to bright wilderness lakes and wetlands. Tasty picnic lunch in old spruce forest. After lunch walk back to the Visitor Centre. Dinner, sauna, and accommodation. Day's walking distance is approximately 10 km.

DAY 4 |

Soon after refreshing and tasty breakfast transport to Ukonvaara and start the cultural day by hiking in beautiful pine forest scenery. It is said that here is the most cleanest air in the world. Tour continues to Rytivaara circular trail. Picnic lunch during the route. Tour continues to footsteps of Finnish tenant farmers, slash-and-burn agriculture and old wilderness traditions. A bit more hiking and transport to accommodation place. Day's hiking distance is approximately 10 km in 4 hours.



DAY 5 |



After a tasty breakfast transport to Hossa National Park for mountain biking day. Hossa is really a pearl amongst Finnish National Parks and an excellent destination for hikers and bikers. The crystal-clear lakes are perfect for canoeing and fishing enthusiasts. Famous cliffs of the biggest canyon lake in Finland called Julma-Ölkky and the ancient rock paintings of Värrikalliot depict stories of shamanism from thousands of years ago. Picnic lunch is enjoyed during the day. Approximately 50 min. transport, dinner, and accommodation at the Arola Farm. Day's cycling distance is approximately 20 km in 5 hours.

DAY 6 |

After breakfast its time to start the most exciting day! Short hiking to rapids and the old water mill, snack by the river. In the evening you have an unique opportunity to participate once in a lifetime experience, bear and wildlife observing trip! It's more than usual that you meet magnificent brown bears, king of the forest in its own territory. After visiting the hides it is time to enjoy a fairwell wild food dinner, accommodation in twin rooms/apartments. Sauna available. Day's hiking distance approx. 5 km.



DAY 7 | OULU/ PARIS

Departure day. After a nice and nutritious breakfast transport by car to the Oulu Airport/railway station.

Finnair flights to Paris.

End of our services

We reserve all the rights to change the itinerary, order of the activities, or the program's content due to the weather or other conditions.

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Price per person in Euros vat included	Cabin	KIDE Hotel
Adult	2065 €	2515 €

OUR RATES INCLUDE :

- Finnair flights Paris/Oulu/Paris in economic class
- Airport taxes 95 euros to date, subject to change
- Return transport from Oulu Airport
- Guide services
- Accommodation (1 night in tents, 6 nights in a log cabin in twin/bunk bedrooms or in the KIDE Hotel rooms)
- Transport between day hiking trails
- Full board (breakfast, lunch package and dinner)
- Premium O-Nord assistance 24/7 outside office hours
- Complimentary assistance insurance provided

OUR RATES DO NOT INCLUDE :

- Comprehensive "PREMIUM" Cancellation Insurance (please inquire for details)

Good to know :