





## Facts about Rovaniemi

- Located on the Arctic Circle in Finland
- Administrative & cultural & educational center of Lapland
- 65 000 inhabitants
- Commercial centre of the Arctic
- Area 8016 km<sup>2</sup> of which water coverage 415 km<sup>2</sup>
- Visit Rovaniemi is the brand manager of Rovaniemi – The Official Hometown of Santa Claus®





## Christmas is a state of mind

Meet Santa Claus in <u>Santa Claus</u>
 <u>Village</u> any day of the year

 Send your post cards at <u>Santa</u> <u>Claus'Main Post Office</u>

Meet <u>Mrs Santa Claus</u>

Join an Elf hat academy

 Experience Christmas magic through variety of activities

Santa Claus Secret Forest is true fairy tale

Santa Claus is a goodwill ambassador







# Santa Claus Village - On the Arctic Circle The iconic attraction

#### **NOWADAYS**

- Today <u>Santa Claus Village</u> is Finland's best-known attraction
- Year-round meeting point with Santa Claus
- Crossing the Arctic Circle, sending Post cards from <u>Santa Claus' Main</u>
   <u>Post Office</u>, <u>meeting the reindeer</u>, <u>meeting the huskies</u>, departing for tens of different activities, meeting Mrs Santa Claus in Mrs Santa Claus' Christmas Cottage and <u>enjoying an outdoor Lappish lunch</u>.
- It is home to approximately 50 attractions in the form of activity companies, shops, restaurants and cafés.

#### **HISTORY**

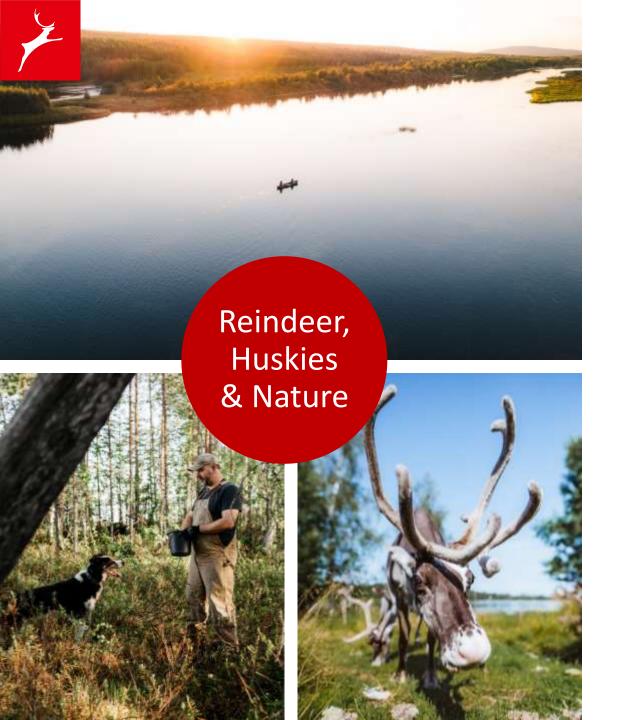
- Rovaniemi was almost destroyed in World War II. In 1950, Eleanor Roosevelt, the wife of US President Franklin D. Roosevelt, came to visit Rovaniemi to witness the rebuilding process on 11<sup>th</sup> June.
- She wanted to visit the Arctic Circle, and Rovaniemi officials rushed to building a cabin eight kilometers north of the city.
- The cabin marked the birth of Santa Claus Village and still stands today next to Santa Claus Main Post Office.



### Midnight Sun

- The bucketlist experience of every traveller
- Can be witnessed from mid May until mid August
- Visible only on and above the Arctic
   Circle line
- Unique nature locations to spot the unique phenomenon close to city centre of Rovaniemi
- Midnight Sun tours available from June until August





# The ultimate Lapland Summer Experience

Most experienced summer operators in Lapland

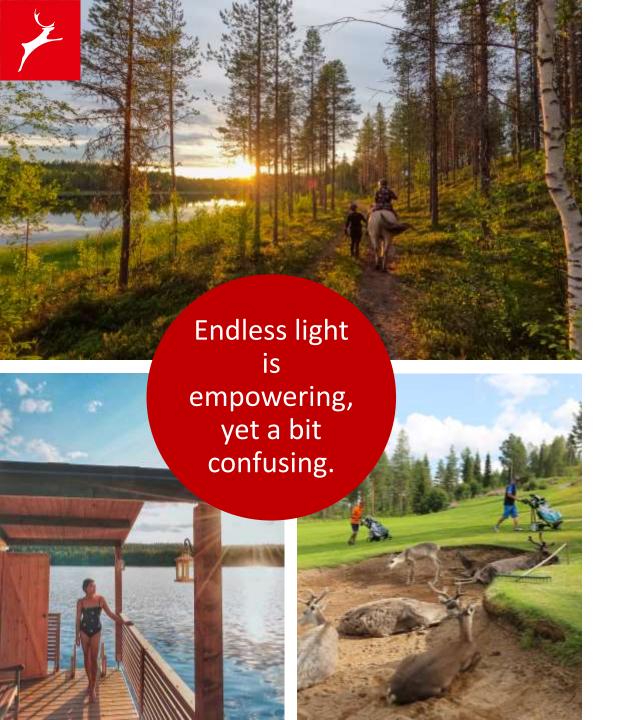
- Lapland Safaris
- <u>Safartica</u>
- Wild About Lapland

**Authentic Reindeer Farms** 

- <u>Sieriporo</u>
- Porovaara Hill

#### Responsible Husky Kennels

- Bearhill Husky Kennel
- Husky & Yoga Nature
- Arctic Circle Huskypark



## Unique experiences

Midnight Sun Photography tours

• Beyond Arctic

Sauna bathing & arctic swimming

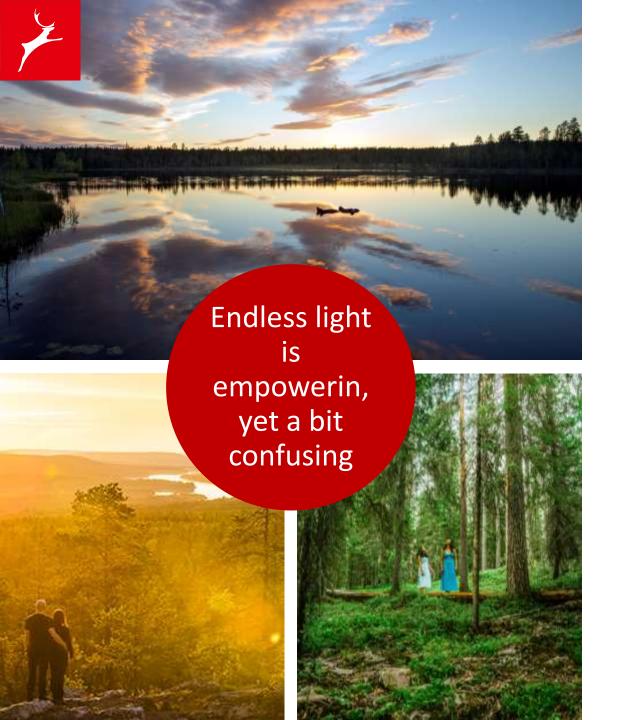
- HappyFox
- Kesärafla Summer Sauna

Midnight Sun Golf at Ounasvaara Golf Course

Santa Claus Golf

Midnight Sun horseback riding with Finnhorses

- Laenlammen Ranch
- Aurora Horses



## Unique experiences

Wilderness Lake Floating

Safartica

Local way of living

- Lapland Deluxe
- Kotatuli Adventure

Hiking (easy access & more advanced)

- Ounasvaara Hill
- Koivusaari nature trail
- Arctic Circle Hiking Area



# Largest selection of special accommodations in Lapland

#### In Rovaniemi

- Arctic TreeHouse Hotel
- Arctic Light Hotel
- Boutique Hotel Haawe
- District Rovaniemi
- Lapland Hotel Sky Ounasvaara
- Ollero Ecolodge
- Vaattunki Wilderness Resort

# Within driving distance (1-2 hours from Rovaniemi airport )

- Arctic Fox Igloos
- Pyhä Igloos
- Pyhän Asteli
- Sunday Morning Resort in Pyhä





## Variety of quality restaurants

#### TIPS FOR THE LUNCH

Arktikum Café (Tasting the North, minimizing food waste)

Korundi Kitchen & Café (Fresh buffet by Art Museum)

Taqueria Yuca (Mexican)

Café & Bar 21 (Salty waffles, salads)

Roka Street Bistro (bistro-style & street food)

#### **TIPS FOR THE DINNER**

#### **Gustav Kitchen & Bar**

(Trendy milieu, tasty dishes, story built around Mr. Gustav)

#### **Restaurant Nili**

(traditional Lappish dishes, atmospheric venue)

#### **Roka Kitchen & Wine Bar**

(International flavors: hotspot for gastronomic experiences, great wines and cocktails)

#### **Arctic Restaurant**

(High quality arctic flavors & northern ingredients)

#### **Restaurant Rakas**

(Meals made from local ingredients with a modern twist)

#### Sky Kitchen & View

(High quality Northern ingredients, One of the best restaurants in Finland)



## Local Culture & Lifestyle

#### **Arktikum Science Center and Museum**

• Experience northern nature, culture, and history up close.

#### **Korundi** House of Culture

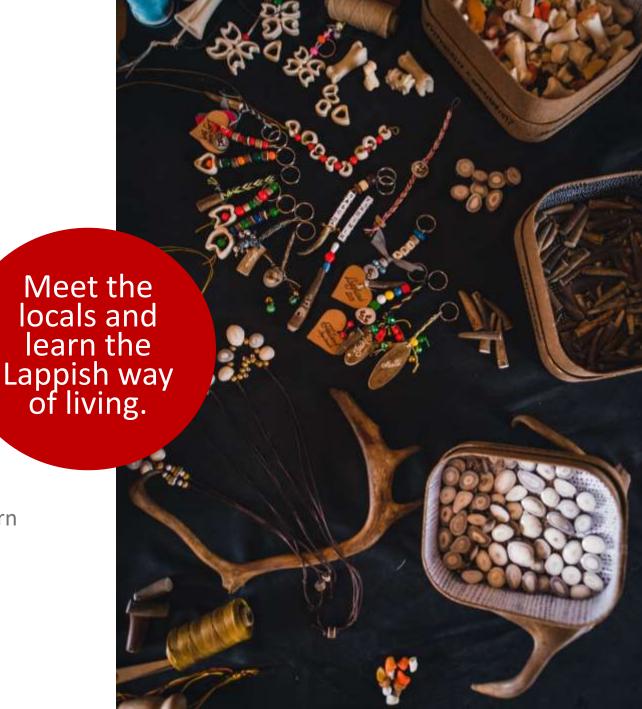
- Exhibitions and Concerts
- Art museum
- Lapland Chamber Orchestra

#### Pilke – Science center of forest

Learning about sustainable way of using the Northern forests

#### **Home and Workshop of Kangasniemi**

Learn and be part of the authentic local lifestyle







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