

VISIT LAHTI

Lakeland Finland



Lakeland
The Heart of Finland

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A person wearing a black helmet, a red long-sleeved shirt, and a red backpack is riding a bicycle. The person is seen from behind, looking out over a large, calm lake. In the distance, a small boat with two people is on the water. The background features a dense forest of trees with some autumn-colored foliage. The sky is clear and blue.

Lakeland is where Finns come to recharge
and reconnect with nature.

Lahti - 1 hour from Helsinki

The Lahti Region is located at the intersection of Finland's major north-south and east-west thoroughfares. The airport and capital city region are just an hour away from Lahti by car, bus or train.

Travel times to Helsinki



STOCKHOLM	1 H
LONDON	3 H 10 MIN
WARSAW	1 H 40 MIN
PARIS	3 H 5 MIN
SHANGHAI	12 H 25 MIN
NEW YORK	8 H 45 MIN

Travel times to Lahti by train



HELSINKI AIRPORT	54 MIN
HELSINKI CITY	57 MIN
TAMPERE CITY	1 H 52 MIN

Travel times to Helsinki



TALLINN	2 H
STOCKHOLM	17 H

Salpausselkä

UNESCO Global Geopark

A landscape created by water.

Salpausselkä is the best-known geological entity of Finland. Salpausselkä Geopark area is known for instance for its lakes and magnificent eskers: e.g. Pulkkilanharju esker, the most scenic road in Finland, lakes and kettle ponds. One of the most famous geosites of Salpausselkä Geopark is the Sport Centre of Lahti.



Perfect venue for summer nature adventures (May-Sept)

Lake cruises

Lunch cruise on Lake Vesijärvi, canal cruise to the picturesque Vääksy Canal with dinner or nature excursion to the 8 km long Kelvenne island known for its lagoon-like sandy beaches.

Water activities

Kayaking, fishing, Stand Up Paddling, bikecrafting

House Boat

Combination of cottage holiday, lake cruise and touring in one package. Unique concept of Lakeland adventure

Activities in forest

Easy hiking with scenic geosites (Linnaistensuo mire, Sport Centre of Lahti & Häränsilmä kettle pond, Pirunpesä/Devil's Nest rock formation. Or longer hiking routes.

Biking

Gravel, mountain biking and road cycling

“Nokipannukahvit” coffee break at lean-to

A guided nature excursion and traditional Finnish way of enjoying a coffee break by open fire in the nature. Berry picking, mushroom picking, wild herbs



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Salpausselkä UNESCO Global Geopark as Cycling Destination

The distinctive landscape shaped by the meltwater at the end of the Ice Age makes you climb up ridges and descend to the shores of the lake, cycling along winding forest trails and rolling countryside roads.

Routes with gpx

For gravel, road cycling and mtb including touristic and nature highlights. Also easy leisure routes close to the city available

<https://visitlahti.fi/en/cycling/>

Bike rentals with personal assistance

https://kitetirri.johku.com/en_US

<https://breakaway.cc/>

Premium Gravel events

FNLD GRVL 8. – 9.8.2025

Falling Leaves Lahti – Nordic Gravel Series 6. – 7.9.2025

Social rides and guided tours

<https://nordicgravel.com/>

Winter cycling adventures with fatbikes and e-fatbikes



Geopark - Perfect venue for nature adventures in winter

Skiing

Lahti – the best cross country skiing destination in Southern Finland. Messilä – the biggest downhill resort in Southern Finland

Multi-purpose winter track in Lahti

Hiking in a wintry forest, easy snowshoeing

Winter track on the ice of Vesijärvi lake

Walking, skating, kick sledging or skiing on the ice of the biggest lake in Lahti

Husky farm visit

Meet the husky dogs and other northern animals during the visit

Snowmobiling

Guided snowmobile tours in Messilä Ski resort or Lehmonkärki

Winter swimming

Trendy Finnish winter activity with sauna experience

Winter floating

Sensational experience in thermo costume



City life, Art & Culture and sights

Lahti must see places

Sports Centre & the Ski Museum; Lahti Harbour & Sibelius Hall, Lanu Sculture park, Musical fountain

Museums

Malva – Lahti museum of Visual Arts, Finnish Motorcycle Museum; Ski Museum, Lahti Historical Museum

Sightseeing: Guided and self-guided tours

by bike along the lakeshore, sport's fans statue tour, SightRun 5K, urban nature trails, brewery tours

Finnish Architectual highlights

Sibelius Hall, Church of the Cross by Alvar Aalto, Lahti city theatre, Lahti Ski Jumps

Live music weekly

Lahti Symphony Orchestra classical Thursday, active rock, pop & rap scene

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Finnish happiness in Lahti region

Sauna & swimming

Nosturi public sauna with all year around swimming and the sauna in the Lahti skiing centre with the unique open air pool in summer time.

Numerous private saunas.

Cosy cafés with Finnish coffee and bun & other sweet pastries

Kariniemi café in the harbour, Café Oskari, Wein Café Olavi, Asemapäällikkö or Kanavan Kruunu by the Vääksy canal

Local tastes

Salty pastries at the market place, local bread, oat porridge and oat flakes, lihamuki – meat mug, Sahti – strong local beer,

Unique accommodation & Cottages

Sporty & Active Atmosphere





Lahti turns the world's best water into beer, whisky and wine

The cleanest ground water of the world filtered by the gravel ridges and eskers of Salpausselkä UNESCO Global Geopark area ensures a valuable ingredient for many beverage producers in the area.

Teerenpeli Brewery and Distillery

Teerenpeli Distillery won the Worldwide whiskey producer 2020 & 2024 series in the world's largest alcohol competition, the International Wine and Spirit Competition.

Ainoa Winery

Ainoa Winery's innovative wild berry wines have won several international awards, such as Concours International de Lyon 2021 and Vinalies Or de Paris 2020.

Sahti

Strong local beer

Ant Brew

Ant Brew is a small beer collective in located Malski. They are known for their Wasted Potential series created during Lahti European Green Capital 2021 year. In the series Ant Brew has utilised ingredients such as wild herbs, fruit waste and goose droppings.

Hartwall

One of the biggest breweries in Finland has its roots in Lahti and nowadays its main production facility in Lahti.



Accommodation

There are almost 1,400 beds in hotel-level accommodation in the city of Lahti and 4,000 beds within a 20-60 minute drive from the city.

- Manor houses, bed and breakfast
- Approximately 800 rental cottages in the Lahti area + Cottage villages
- Two activity & sport resorts with Olympic Training Centres
- Unique accommodation in Mirrow Houses and Houseboats

Solo Sokos Hotel Lahden Seurahuone

History starting from 1890s 183 rooms in two hotel buildings
Loft house with 50 spacious rooms with individual design and inner
garden. One of the best breakfast concepts in Finland.

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Scandic Lahti City

Completely renovated hotel in the very heart of the city
First phase of the renovation with 63 rooms completed in November 2024
All 167 rooms will be ready in spring 2025

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Hotel GreenStar Lahti

The first carbon neutral hotel chain in Finland
Excellent location by the railway & bus station in the city centre
Sustainably renovated rooms and investments to green energy

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Lakeland Luxury in Lehmonkärki Resort

Located in Asikkala next to Pulkkilanharju ridge

16 cottages

4 Mirrow Houses

Sauna World

Multiple nature activities

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Radalla Resort

Manor house hotel with 30 rooms in two different buildings

10 lakeside cottages

Sauna complex

Located close to one of the most picturesque villages of Finland, Old Iitti
and Unesco World Heritage site Verla Board Mill

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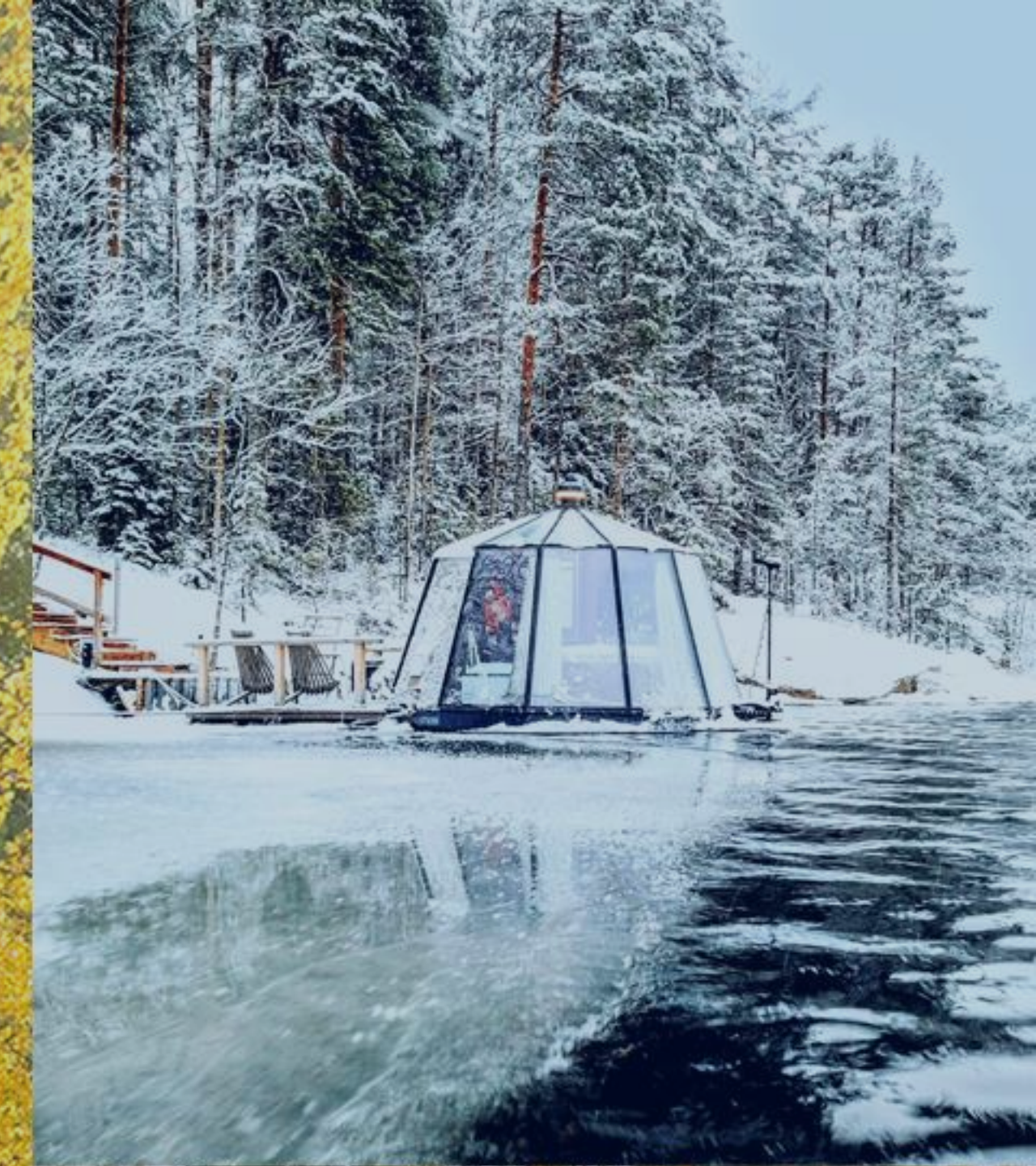
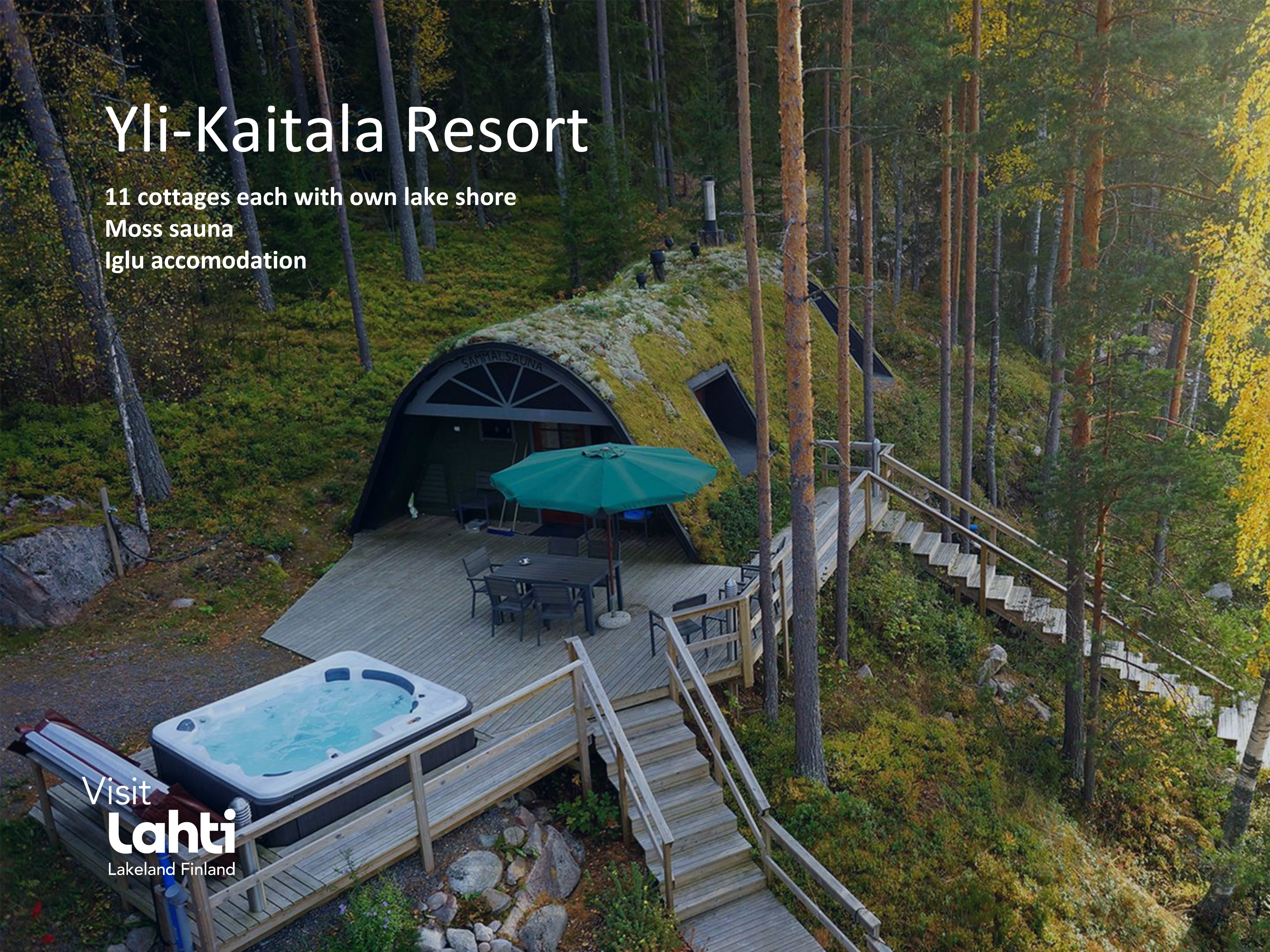


Yli-Kaitala Resort

11 cottages each with own lake shore

Moss sauna

Iglu accomodation

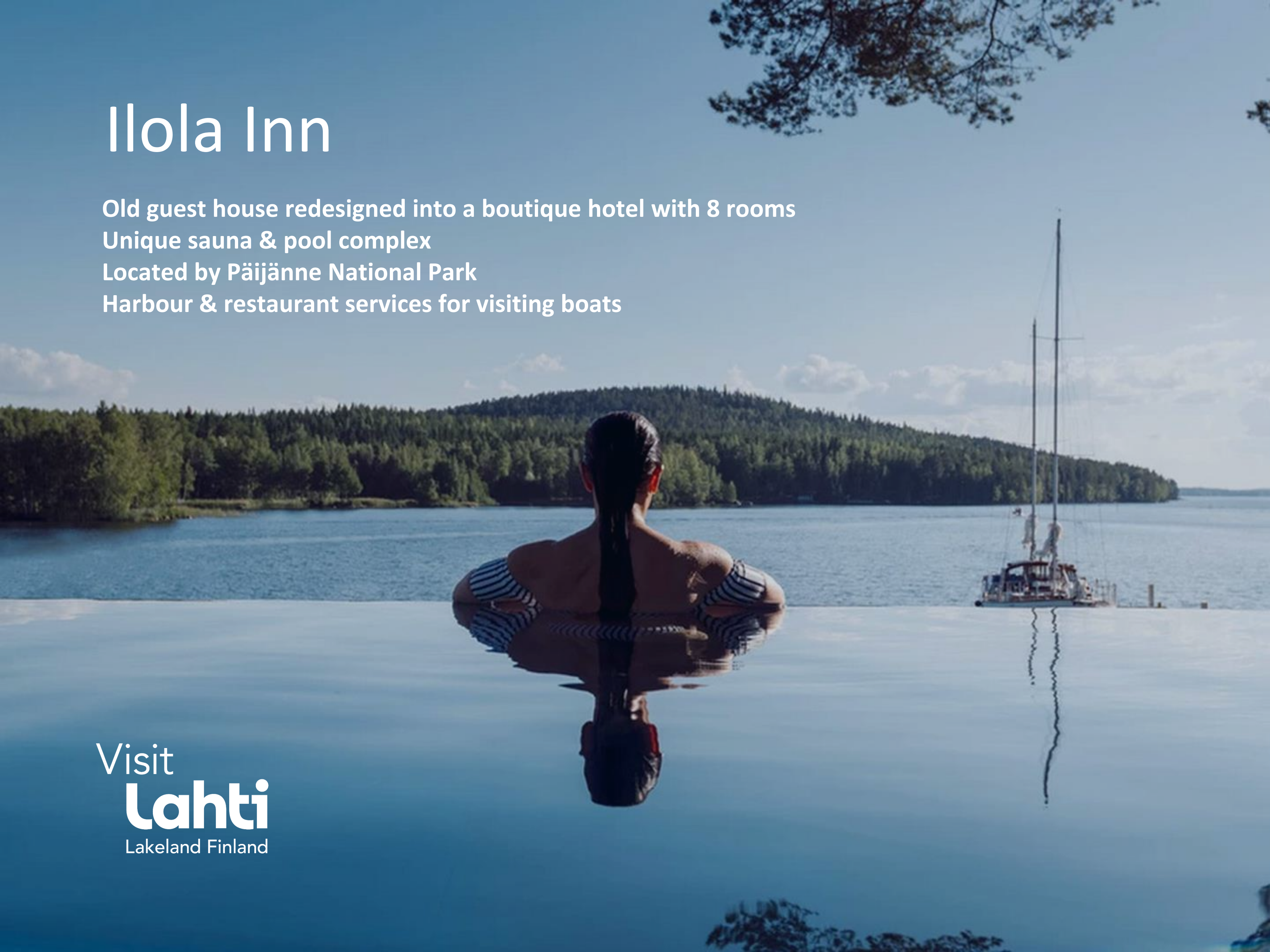


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Ilola Inn

Old guest house redesigned into a boutique hotel with 8 rooms
Unique sauna & pool complex
Located by Päijänne National Park
Harbour & restaurant services for visiting boats

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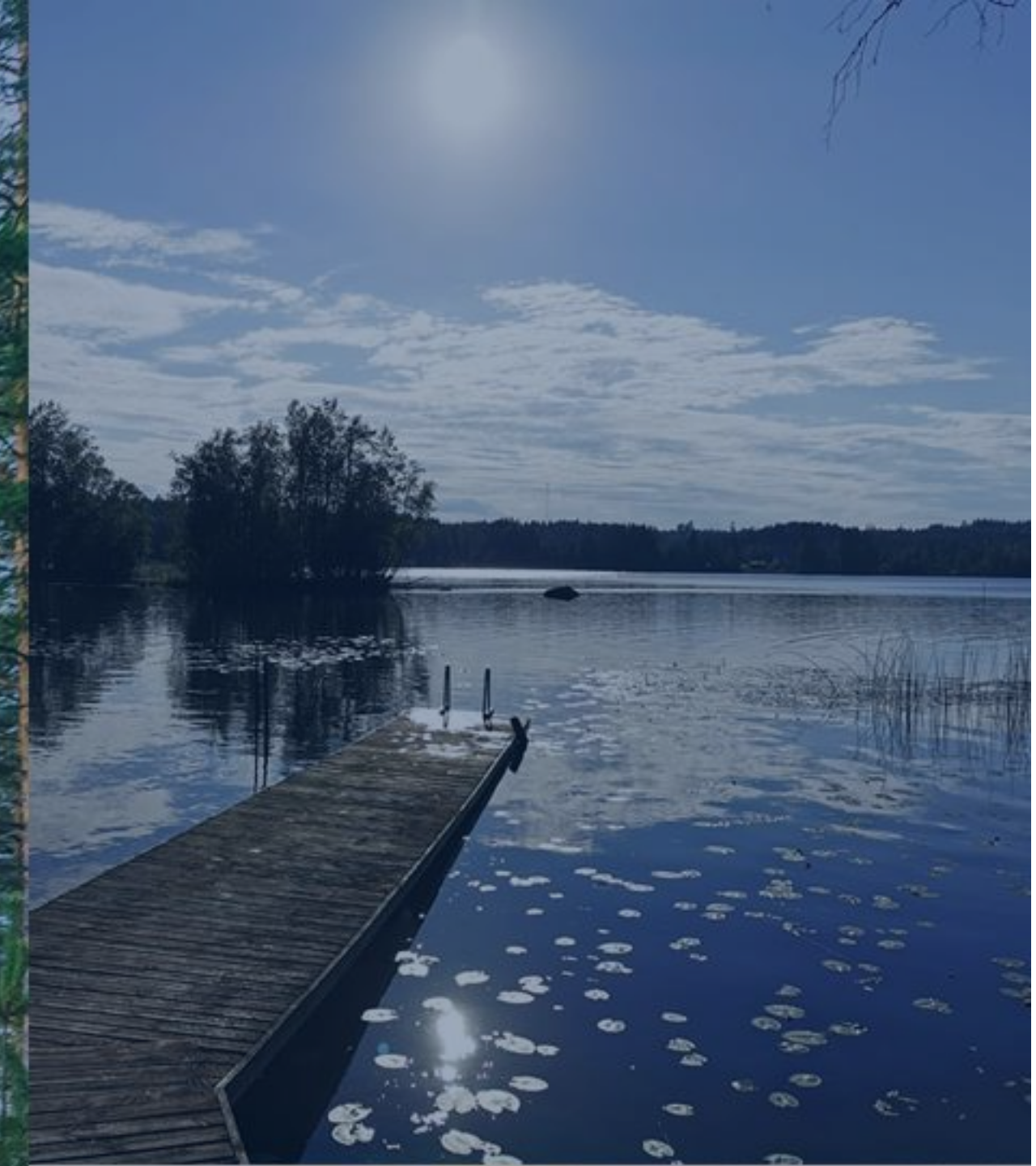


Tervalepikon Torpat

Countryside cottages by the lake

Excellent outdoor activities and well maintained skiing and hiking and biking tracks

Four kilometers to Sysmä municipality centre with all needed services



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Lomakivi

Historical farm house milieu with accommodation
Five houses (92 – 127 m²) in the yard with 3 – 4 separate bedrooms each
Beneficial location between Lahti and Kouvola
Nearby sites of interest: Repovesi National Park, UNESCO World Heritage site Verla Papermill, Mustila Arboretum

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Vierumäki

Sport and leisure resort with Olympic Training Centre
More than 200 different sports and activities
Vierumäki Sport: 2 hotels and 300 holiday homes
Multiple saunas including unique smoke sauna
Holiday Club Vierumäki: Hotel and Apartments, Spa in 2024
Premium Resort: 5 high end villas
In the scenic Salpausselkä UNESCO Global Geopark landscape
Ideal basecamp for camp school programs

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Pajulahti

Activity and sport resort with Olympic and Paralympic Training Centre
247 rooms of different level (hotel / b2b standard with / without sauna)
15 high altitude rooms
Excellent facilities for indoor and outdoor sport activities
Sauna complex
In the middle of scenic Salpausselkä UNESCO Global Geopark landscape
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Technical visits

Legacy of the European Green Capital year 2021

Clean tech companies

Water expertise

Sport management

Sustainable development and nature protection

Grain cluster companies

Other expert meetings





We are here for You!

Visit Lahti is the regional DMO of the Lahti region.
We are a full-service DMC offering packages and tours in the Lahti
Region and Finnish Lakeland.

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