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# LOHJA APPLE CARNEVAL

*2 days - only in September 20th -21st 2019*



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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
- coffee break and handicrafts at Kettukallion Elämystila
- dinner by the camp fire at Kettukallion Elämystila
- smoke sauna & hot tub at Kettukallion Elämystila
- accommodation and breakfast in Gasthaus Lohja
- guided visit at Lohja Apple Carneval
- lunch
- home visit at Laine family
- departure transportation

## PROGRAM

Transportation from Helsinki to Lohja in the morning, 9.30 am. 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.

### Transportation from Tytyri to Kettukallion Elämystila, ca 15 minutes

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.

### 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 reno-

ated 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 visit at Lohja Apple Carneval

The Lohja Apple Carnival is a warm-hearted harvest festival for the whole family. The carnival takes place in the idyllic inner yard of the Lohja Museum in the centre of Lohja. The carnival area hosts more than a hundred harvest-inspired stalls where you can find baked goods, handicrafts and of course, all kinds of apples.

In addition to the stalls there is also a huge and varied programme to enjoy at the festival, including theatre, music and the performances by "The happy blacksmith". Displayed in the field are scarecrows participating in the Finnish scarecrow championships. The museum offers free admission during the carnival day and there are Icelandic horses for the children to ride on. In the street by the museum, you can admire alpacas, classic cars and motorbikes.

The programme culminates with the vote for this year's "Miss Apple"

### 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

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.

### 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 sent. 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. Transportation back to Helsinki leaves at 19pm.

### Excursion facts;

**Duration:** 2 days, ca 9.30 am to 20pm.

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

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

**Availability:** Only starting at September 20th 2019 (because of The Apple Carneval)

**Guided:** Guidance languages Finnish and English

**Price:** 4950€/ 8 persons, extras 590€/ person

**What's included:** All transportations, guiding, Tytyri mine experience, some handicrafts, smoke sauna, hot tub, towels, dinner by the camp fire, accommodation, guided visit at Christmas fair, 5 hour home visit, all meals. 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