Sketches of Tours in Finland

Summer 1926.

The following tours are intended as suggestions for routes in Finland, and can of course be combined and varied in many ways. The time allowed is the shortest possible, and extra time must be allowed for excursions and rests.

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Further information can be obtained by calling at or writing to the office of the Tourist Association, Norra Esplanadgatan 21, Helsingfors. Foreigners intending to travel in Finland will generally find it a convenience to call at the office, where they can enquire about accommodation, etc.

All railway and steamer tickets, and hotel coupons, can be obtained from the Finnish Travel Bureau, Norra Esplanadgatan 19.

Unless otherwise stated, the fares are given in Finnish marks.

Itinerary I.

Helsinki (Helsingfors) — Viipuri (Viborg) — Imatra — Savonlinna (Nyslott) — Punkaharju — Kuopio — Kajaani — Vaala — Muhos — Oulu (Uleåborg)—Helsinki (Helsingfors).

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(Travellers can also go from Helsinki (Helsingfors) to Viipuri (Viborg) by SS Södern, dep. Helsinki Tuesdays 11.00 p.m., arr. Viipuri Wednesdays 7.00 p.m. 1st class 120: —, 2nd 80: —.)
2nd day Dep. Viborg 7.42 a.m., arr. Imatra 10.11 a.m. (Travelers by the night train who wish to see Viborg can leave at 1.37 p.m. arr. Imatra 4.05 p.m., or leave 6.48 p.m. arr. Imatra 9.10 p.m. They can then not leave Imatra until the 3rd day.)
(2nd class 29: —, 3rd 19: —).

The journey from Viborg (Viipuri) to Imatra can also be made by steamboat through the Saima canal to Rättijärvi, and thence by motor omnibus to Imatra. SS »Kiuruvesi« leaves Viborg on weekdays at 9.00 a.m., reaching Rättijärvi at 12 noon, and on Sundays at 7.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m., reaching Rättijärvi at 10.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. SS »Nuijamaa« leaves Viborg on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 2.00 p.m., reaching Rättijärvi at 5.00 p.m. The omnibus leaves Rättijärvi for Imatra immediately after the arrival of the boat, reaching Imatra an hour and a half later.
(Viborg—Rättijärvi 1st class 20: —, 2nd 12: —, Rättijärvi—Imatra 20: —.)

Excursion to Vallinkoski, by motor omnibus several times daily.
Dep. Imatra 3.18 p.m. Arr. Vuoksenniska 3.30 p.m. (2nd class 4:50, 3rd 3: —).

Dep. Vuoksenniska immediately by steamboat »Imatra II« or »Savonlinna« across Lake Saima to Savonlinna (Nyslott) (good restaurant and comfortable cabins on the boats). (1st class 90: —, 2nd 50: —).

(The journey from Imatra to Punkaharju can also be made by rail, leaving Imatra at 6.18 a.m. and reaching Punkaharju at 2.20 p.m. (2nd class 60: —, 3rd 40: —). Change at Antrea and Elisenvaara.

3rd day Arr. Savonlinna (Nyslott) 8.00 a.m. Dep. Savonlinna (Nyslott) 12.30 or (June 17th—August 22nd) 1.30 p.m. by steamboat »Punkaharju«, arr. Punkaharju 2.30 or 3.30 p.m. (1st class 20: —, 2nd 18: —).
The Tourist Association has a branch at Savonlinna (Nyslott) in the Närkälina (Hungerborg) tower. Here light luncheons and refreshments are served at moderate prices, information is given, and hotel rooms and steamboat berths can be reserved.

4th day Dep. Punkaharju (train) 9.32 a.m. arr. Savonlinna (Nyslott) 10.48 a.m. (2nd class 12: —, 3rd 8: —).
Dep. Savonlinna (Nyslott) 1.15 p.m. by steamboats »Heinävesi« (via Heinävesi) or »Leppävirta« (via Leppävirta). (1st class 85: —, 2nd 55: —).
5th day Arr. Kuopio 8.00 a.m. (Drive to Puijo Hill).
The Tourist Association has a branch at Kuopio, Vuorikatu 23, which furnishes information and reserves hotel rooms and boat berths on request. It also has a restaurant on the top of Puijo Hill, where good luncheons and light refreshments are served. Dinners and other meals can be arranged.
Dep. Kuopio 11.50 a.m. arr. Kajaani 5.00 p.m. (2nd class 63: —, 3rd 42: —).
Dep. Kajaani (from June 10th) Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays 5.30 p.m. by steamboat »Salo», arr. Vaala 10.30 p.m. (1st class 50: —, 2nd 40: —).

The Tourist Association’s guest-house Uutela, near Vaala, is a good place to break the journey and rest. It is picturesquely situated on the bank of Niskakoski rapids, has comfortable beds and good cooking, is quiet and homely, and salmon and trout fishing is available. A reduction in price is allowed for members of the Tourist Association. Further information may be obtained from the office of the Association, or from the manageress, Mrs. J. Anckerman, Uutela, Vaala. Orders for rooms should be addressed to Mrs. Anckerman.

6th day Dep. Vaala (from June 11th) on Sundays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 10.00 a.m., down the Oulu (Ule) river in the Tourist Association’s river and motor boats.
(100: —, 10 % reduction on production of the Tourist Association’s membership card).
Arr. Muhos about 3.00 p.m., and proceed immediately by motor omnibus to Oulu (Uleäborg), arriving about 5.00 p.m. (30: —).

The Tourist Association’s agent in Oulu (Uleäborg), Miss Ester Nikkinen, Hedman’s drug store, Asemakatu, will give travellers all information and assistance. A map of the Oulu (Ule) river can be obtained on board SS »Salo», or at the Tourist Association’s hotel at Vaala. Tickets for the river boats are sold by the Finnish Travel Bureau in Helsinki (Helsingfors), on board SS »Salo», and at the Vaala hotel, and seats in the boats can be reserved through the Vaala hotel or by telegraphing to Captain Pirinen, Kajaani.
Dep. Oulu (Uleäborg) 9.25 p.m., or the following morning at 11.48 a.m.
7th day Arr. Helsinki (Helsingfors) 7.34 p.m. or the following morning (8th day) at 8.34 a.m.

Fares for the whole tour: 1st class steamboat, 2nd cl. train Fmk. 882: 50, 2nd class steamboat, 3rd cl. train Fmk 609: — including sleeping berths.

Allow about 100: — a day for food and lodging. In some places board and lodging can be obtained for 45: — — 75: — a day for an extended stay.

Itinerary II.

Helsinki (Helsingfors)—Viipuri (Viborg)—Imatra—Vuoksenniska—Savonlinna (Nyslott)—Punkaharju—Savonlinna (Nyslott)—Joensuu—Koli—Nurmes—Kajaani—Vaalalu—Muho—Oulu (Uleåborg)—Helsinki (Helsingfors).

1st—3rd days as in Itinerary I.

4th day Dep. Punkaharju by train 9.32 a.m. arr. Savonlinna (Nyslott) 10.48 a.m. (2nd class 12: —, 3rd 8: —).
Dep. Savonlinna (Nyslott) by steamboat «Orivesi» 1.00 p.m. (1st class 95: —, 2nd 75: —).

5th day Arr. Joensuu 8.00 a.m. Dep. Joensuu by train 9.00 a.m. arr. Vuoniksahtit 11.11 a.m. (2nd class 32: —, 3rd 22: —).
(Travellers who reach Joensuu on a Monday or Friday are recommended to proceed from Joensuu to Koli by steamboat »Lieksas» up the Pielis canal. Dep. Joensuu 12.30 p.m., arr. Koli the same evening. 1st class 55: —, 2nd 35: —).
The view from Koli heights is among the most magnificent in Finland. The Tourist Association has two guest houses at Koli, and rooms may be ordered by writing to the manageress, Mrs B. Pehrmand, Vuoniksahtit, Koli. Members of the Association receive a reduction of 10%.

6th day Dep. Koli by motorboat for Vuoniksahtit (15: —).
Dep. Vuoniksahtit 11.12 a.m. by train. arr. Nurmes 1.23 p.m. (2nd class 32: —, 3rd 21: —).
(The traveller who leaves Koli on a Tuesday is recommended to take the steamboat »Lieksas» from Koli to
Nurmes. Leave Koli on Tuesdays 9.00 a.m. arrive Nurmes same evening about 6.00. 1st class 37: —, 2nd 30: —. Dep. Nurmes by motor car to Sotkamo, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 1.30 p.m., weekdays 2.30 p.m. (50: —)

7th day Leave Sotkamo by SS »Vuokatti« on weekdays at 4.30 a.m. or 7.15 a.m., on Saturdays also at 4.00 p.m. for Kajaani. (1st class 15: 50, 2nd 10: 50).

8th, 9th and 10th days as 5th, 6th and 7th in Itinerary I.

Fares for the whole tour, 1st class steamboat and 2nd class train Fmk 989: —, 2nd class steamboat and 3rd class train Fmk 720: 50 including sleeping berth.

**Itinerary III.**

Helsinki (Helsingfors)—Viipuri (Viborg)—Imatra—Vuoksenniska—Savonlinna (Nyslott)—Punkaharju—Kuopio (via Heinävesi)—Savonlinna (Nyslott) (via Leppävirta)—Mikkeli (St. Michel)—Helsinki (Helsingfors).

1st—3rd days as Itinerary I.

4th day Dep. Punkaharju by train 9.32 a.m. arr. Savonlinna (Nyslott) 10.48 a.m. (2nd class 12: —, 3rd 8: —). For Savonlinna (Nyslott) see Itinerary I. Dep. Savonlinna (Nyslott) 1.15 p.m. by steamboat »Heinävesi« for Kuopio (via Heinävesi). (1st class 85: —, 70: —, 2nd 55: —).

5th day Arr. Kuopio 8.00 a.m. Drive to Puijo Hill. (See Itinerary I). Dep. Kuopio 2.20 p.m. by steamboat »Leppävirta« (via Leppävirta) for Savonlinna (Nyslott). (1st class 85: —, 70: —, 2nd 55: —).

6th day Arr. Savonlinna (Nyslott) 8.00 a.m. Dep. Savonlinna (Nyslott) Sundays 12.15, Tuesdays, and Thursdays 1.00 p.m. by steamboat »Mikkeli« for Mikkeli (St. Michel). (1st class 75: —, 2nd 60: —).

7th day Arr. Mikkeli (St. Michel) Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 7.30 a.m. Dep. Mikkeli (St. Michel) by train 11.02 a.m. arr. Helsingfors (Helsinki) 7.00 p.m. or dep. 10.16 p.m. arr. 7.00 a.m. (2nd class 105: —, 3rd 70: —).
Fares for the whole tour: 1st class steamboat and 2nd class train Fmk 663:50, 2nd class steamboat and 3rd class train Fmk 431:— (sleeping berth extra).

**Itinerary IV.**

Helsinki (Helsingfors)—Viipuri (Viborg)—Imatra—Sortavala—Valamo—Sortavala—Punkaharju—Savonlinna (Nyslott)—Lappeenranta (Villmanstrand)—Helsinki (Helsingfors).

1st—2nd days as Itinerary I. Sleep at Imatra.

3rd day Dep. **Imatra** by train 6.18 a.m. or 1.03 p.m. (change at Antrea).
Arr. **Sortavala** by train 2.03 p.m. or 9.21 p.m.
(2nd class 63:—, 3rd 42:—).

3rd or 4th day Dep. **Sortavala** by steamboat »Sergej«, »Janaš-lahṭi«, »Ostro«, or »Otava«, arr. **Valamo** about three hours later. (Return fare 30:—.)

Until June 20th »Sergej« leaves Sortavala on Mondays and Thursdays at 4.00 and on Saturdays at 5.30 p.m., returning from Valamo on Sundays at 5.00 p.m., Thursdays, Saturdays 10.00 a.m. From June 21st to August 31st it leaves Sortavala on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays at 4.00 p.m., on Saturdays at 5.30 p.m. leaving Valamo on Sundays at 5.00 p.m. and on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 10.00 a.m. »Janaš-lahṭi« leaves Sortavala on Sundays from June 20th to August 22nd at 8.00 a.m. leaving Valamo same day at 5.00 p.m. »Ostro« and »Otava« both leave Sortavala on Sundays at 9.00 a.m., »Ostro« returning from Valamo at 4.00 p.m. and »Otava« at 5.00 p.m. the same day.
(Return fare 30:—.)

(The Tourist Association has a branch at Sortavala, Pietari-Paalinkatu 6, which furnishes information and guides to Valamo.)

4th or 5th day Return from **Valamo** to **Sortavala**.

5th or 6th day Dep. **Sortavala** 9.50 a.m. arr. **Punkaharju** 2.15 p.m. (2nd class 46:—, 3rd 31:—).

6th or 7th day Dep. **Punkaharju** 9.32 a.m. by train, arr. **Savonlinna (Nyslott)** 10.48 a.m. (2nd class 12:—, 3rd 8:—). For Savonlinna (Nyslott) see Itinerary I.
Dep. Savonlinna (Nyslott) by steamboats «Imatra» or «Savonlinna» 1.15 p. m. (not on Saturdays) for Lappeenranta (Villmanstrand). (1st class 95:—, 2nd 55:—).

7th or 8th day Arr. Lappeenranta (Villmanstrand) 8.00 a.m. Dep. by train 11.12 a.m. 
Arr. Helsingfors (Helsinki) 7.00 p. m. 
(2nd class 102:—, 3rd 68:—).

Fares for the whole tour 1st class steamboat and 2nd class train Fmk 535:—, 2nd class steamboat and 3rd class train Fmk 350:—.

Itinerary V.

Helsinki, (Helsingfors)—Oulu (Uleåborg)—Rovaniemi—Ivalo—Pitkäjärvi—Kolttaköngäs (Boris Gleb)—(Petsamo) and back.

Leave Helsinki (Helsingfors) as Itinerary I, or direct by train at 10.20 a.m. or 8.50 p.m. Arrive Oulu (Uleåborg) next day at 7.40 a.m. 5.10 p.m. (2nd class 191:—, 3rd 128:—, sleeping berth 2nd class 50:—, 3rd 25:—).

Leave Oulu (Uleåborg) by train 8.00 a.m. arr. Rovaniemi 3.29 p.m. (2nd class 80:—, 3rd 53:—).

Dep. Rovaniemi by post office motor 5.00 p.m. (not on Mondays), or by the »Turisti« Co:s motor Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.00 a.m.

Arr. Ivalo 10.00 a.m. or 10.00 p.m. (Fare 225:—).

Dep. Ivalo with post office motor Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays 5.00 p.m. Arr. Pitkäjärvi 11.00 p.m. and proceed with post office motorboat, or leave Ivalo Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 8.00 a.m. by »Turisti« motors, arr. Pitkäjärvi 2.00 p.m. and proceed with »Turisti« motorboat.

(Rovaniemi—Pitkäjärvi 320:—).

Arr. Kolttaköngäs (Boris Gleb) Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 6.00 a.m.; or Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 9.00 p.m.

(Rovaniemi—Kolttaköngäs 420:—).

(The Tourist Association has guest houses at Ivalo, Virtaniemi, Pitkäjärvi and Kolttaköngäs. Members receive a reduction of 10 %.)

Dep. Kolttaköngäs by SS »Suomi« on Tuesdays and Saturdays 9.00 a.m. via Kirkenes. Arr. Petsamo Tuesdays and Saturdays 9.00 p.m. (50:—).
Return a) From Kolttaköngäs with motorboat and motor, as above in the reverse direction. Dep. Rovaniemi by train 2.22 p.m. for Oulu (Uleåborg) and Helsinki (Helsingfors).

Cost for the tour from Oulu (Uleåborg) to Kolttaköngäs and back to Oulu (Uleåborg), 2nd class rail 1,000: —, 3rd class rail 946: —.

Return b) Dep. Kolttaköngäs by motorboat or SS »Suomi« to Kirkenes (one hour).

Dep. Kirkenes Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays 12.00 noon by »Hurtigrut« steamer.

Arr. Lödingen Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays 8.00 a.m. 

Dep. Lödingen Sundays, Thursdays, Fridays 9.00 a.m., Saturdays 8.00 a.m.

Arr. Narvik Sundays 1.00 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.30 p.m. Fridays 2.30 p.m. Saturdays 12.00 noon.

Dep. Narvik by train 6.30 p.m. (sleeping car).

Arr. Boden 7.30 a.m. 

Dep. Boden by train 9.50 a.m. 

Arr. Haparanda 2.28 p.m. 

Dep. Haparanda 2.38 p.m. 

Arr. Tornio 3.53 p.m. 

Dep. Tornio 7.26 a.m. or 4.08 p.m. 

Arr. Oulu (Uleåborg) 11.30 a.m. or 8.20 p.m.

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