

2019

world rowing[®] tour



World Rowing Tour 2019 Karelia, Finland

North Karelia , Finland
20-27.7.2019

Organizer: Karelia-Soutu ry., technical organizer: Wild Nordic Finland
National Rowing Association: Suomen Melonta- ja Soutuliitto ry
Host town: Joensuu

World Rowing Tour 2019 will be organized in connection to Karelia Rowing Tour. The course lies through the heart of the North Karelian Lakeland.

During the tour the total rowing distance is ca. 160 km/five days. The boats are big boats, so called church boats, with a crew of 14 rowers plus a cox. Four days will be together with Karelia Rowing Tour.



Sunday

- Breakfast at Kimmel
- Joensuu city sightseeing by bus
- Transfer by bus to Valamo
- Lunch in Valamo
- Guided tour in Valamo Monastery with exhibitions, churches eg.
- Transfer to Lintula Convent, visit & coffee break (Valamo is for Orthodox monks and Lintula for Orthodox nuns)
- Transfer by bus to Koli
- Check-in at Sokos Hotel Koli
- Dinner at Sokos Hotel Koli

Saturday
20.7.2019

Saturday

- Arrival at Joensuu, check-in at Sokos Hotel Kimmel
- Kimmel is situated close (200 m) to the railway station of Joensuu
- Bus transfer from the airport to Kimmel/the afternoon flight
- In the evening opening ceremony & dinner at Kimmel, folk dance

Sunday
21.7.2019





Monday
22.7.2019

Monday

10 km rowing with Karelia Rowing tour

- Breakfast at Sokos Hotel Koli
- Guided walking tour in Koli National Park, views over Lake Pielinen
- Visit to Nature Centre Ukko
- Lunch in Koli
- Getting acquainted with church boat rowing and coffee break on an island
- Dinner at Sokos Hotel Koli restaurant, local music
- Accommodation at Sokos Hotel Koli

Tuesday

29/39 km rowing with Karelia Rowing tour

- Breakfast at Sokos Hotel Koli
- Transfer by bus to Lieksa, to the starting point of the tour
- "Rowers' Service" at the Lutheran Church in Lieksa
- Departure from Lieksa to Hiekkalahti/Lake Pielinen
- Picnic lunch at Hiekkalahti
- Departure for Vuonisahti
- Arrival at Vuonisahti, 500 meters' walk from the landing place to Herranniemi Inn. Saunas, including the traditional smoke sauna. Dinner. "Sing along". If the weather permits, in the evening rowing from Vuonisahti to Koli, 10 km. The alternative is by bus from Vuonisahti to Koli
- Accommodation at Sokos Hotel Koli

Tuesday
23.7.2019



Wednesday
24.7.2019

Wednesday

29/39 km rowing with Karelia Rowing tour

- Breakfast at Sokos Hotel Koli
- Before noon time to relax or visit Nature Centre Ukko or in case the boats in Vuonisahti, bus transfer to Vuonisahti and rowing from Vuonisahti to Koli
- Lunch in the Koli Harbour, at Alamaja
- Departure from Koli/Lake Pielinen
- Arrival at Ahveninen, meal, sauna
- Bus transfer to Joensuu
- Accommodation at Sokos Hotel Kimmel
- Surprise programme in the evening



Thursday

39 km rowing with Karelia Rowing tour

- Breakfast at Sokos Hotel Koli
- Transfer by bus to Ahveninen
- Departure from Ahveninen (River Pielisjoki)
- Pause at Laiskanranta
- Departure from Laiskanranta
- Lunch at Kotiranta, Eno
- Departure from Eno
- Kaltimo locks
- Arrival at Jakokoski; sauna and dinner. Rowers' own programme & dancing/ live music
- In the evening bus transfer to Joensuu
- Accommodation at Sokos Hotel Kimmel



Saturday

- Breakfast at Sokos Hotel Kimmel
- Check-out latest at noon
- In case the participants would like to get acquainted with local handicrafts, guided visit to handicrafts' centre Taitokortteli

Thursday
25.7.2019

Friday
26.7.2019

Saturday
27.7.2019



Friday

41 km rowing with Karelia Rowing tour

- Breakfast at Sokos Hotel Kimmel
- Transfer by bus from Joensuu to Jakokoski
- Departure from Jakokoski (River Pielisjoki)
- Lunch in Paihola, diplomas
- Departure from Paihola
- Kuurna locks
- Joensuu locks
- Arrival at Joensuu, Jokiasema
- Saunas and meal
- Farewell ceremony & dinner in Joensuu Town Hall
- Accommodation at Sokos Hotel Kimmel



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Package 20-27.7.2019 1657 €

Includes: accommodation in twin/double rooms at Sokos Hotel Kimmel and Sokos Hotel Koli according to the program (7 nights), meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner) with non-alcoholic beverages according to the program, rents of the boats and safety equipment, security boats and first aid, the services of a tour leader, cultural programme, entrance fees to the sights, guidances according to the programme, transfers by bus, daily saunas, diploma, medaille, event liability insurance of the organizer.

Not included: alcoholic drinks except the farewell dinner.

Minor changes in the schedule and price are possible.

Technical organizer: Wild Nordic Finland.

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