



Pyhä - Autumn Auroras



HOLIDAY TYPE: Small Group
VISITING: Finland

BROCHURE CODE: 29020
DURATION: 3 nights

In Brief

Hunt for the autumn Auroras from your peaceful base at the Sunday Morning Resort in Pyhä. This time of year is one of the most celebrated in Finland, as the wilderness landscape puts on a dazzling display of changing colours. The show continues into the night with the Northern Lights frequently lighting up the sky.

Our Opinion

“ Autumn at Sunday Morning Resort is one of the most picturesque times to visit. With the crystal clear lake, the colourful foliage of the forest and on the evenings (hopefully) a stunning array of colours from the Northern Lights - this trip will be the perfect way to spend your time in Lapland! Autumn is also a great season to go out exploring the wilderness on foot! From walking with your trusty husky by your side to trekking through the hills on the evening while you hunt for the Auroras, you will definitely create lasting memories on this trip. ”

Caitlin Varley



What's included?

ALL THE EXPERIENCES AND SERVICES LISTED BELOW ARE INCLUDED IN THE HOLIDAY PRICE

- **Transfers:** car hire for the duration of your stay (VW Polo or similar)
- **Accommodation:** 3 nights in a standard double/twin room (apartment upgrades available)
- **Meals:** 3 breakfasts, 3 dinners
- **The following activities and equipment are included:** Northern Lights hunt by car, walk with huskies and farm visit, Arctic sky, nature trail and Aurora photography (order subject to change)
- Cold weather clothing will be provided to guests during their stay if required
- Aurora alert system

Trip Overview

Situated in the fell scenery of Pyhä-Luosto National Park with forest and lakeside surroundings, the Sunday Morning Resort in Pyhä is a tranquil retreat in the heart of the Finnish wilderness.

During this three-night autumnal stay, you'll have the wonderful opportunity to experience the Finnish landscape in its period of change. As the summer sunsets and nature prepares itself for winter, the surroundings are washed with the spectacular colours of transformation. The leaves turn from green to deep red, the trees start to shake off their summer coats and the returning darks skies make way for the dazzling Auroras.

All included activities have been carefully chosen to show off the very best of the autumnal wonders. From nature walks with friendly local huskies in the day to taking to the trails at night to hunt for the Northern Lights, which are particularly prevalent at this time of year. You'll also enjoy an Aurora hunt by car, which takes you further into the wilderness and to a prime lookout location. For the duration of your stay, you will have a hire car and we have left plenty of free time so that you can explore the area at your own leisure.

You will be based in one of the four twin/double rooms in the main lodge with the option to upgrade to an Aihki apartment. Please see the accommodation tab for the options.

The main lodge is decorated to give a log cabin feel and to celebrate the expansive forest surroundings. Its big and bright dining area, lounge and lobby bar are brilliant social areas to discuss your day's achievements in the Arctic and the lakeside saunas and hot tub offer a traditional Finnish way to relax. The Sunday Morning Resort prides itself on its eco-friendly approach to tourism. From its carbon-neutral status to its seasonal meals created using local, organic and wild ingredients, the resort's respect for its natural surroundings can be felt throughout.

Located 100kms above the Arctic Circle and tucked away next to one of Finland's oldest national parks, the Sunday Morning Resort in autumn gives visitors a chance to explore the Arctic in milder temperatures. Travel with us to enjoy a wilderness retreat filled with excellent Aurora opportunities.

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Agenda

Please note the order of activities is subject to change

DAY
1

ARRIVAL AND NORTHERN LIGHTS HUNTING BY CAR

Upon arrival at Rovaniemi airport, you will receive your hire car and SatNav to help you make your way to the Sunday Morning Resort, just 90 minutes away. Once you have checked into your accommodation, you can enjoy dinner in the main lodge ahead of tonight's search for the Northern Lights. You can also set up your Aurora Alert system to download to your tablet or smartphone for use for the duration of your stay. This system gives you a voice signal when the Northern Lights are visible (internet connection is needed) so you'll know exactly when to head outside.

Tonight you will meet with your guide who will have carefully checked the local weather and space data to identify a prime Northern Lights location. Your guide will drive you out to the chosen destination where you will keep warm by the campfire, enjoying snacks and drinks as you keep an eye on the sky. While you wait, your guide will tell you facts about the Northern Lights, Lappish nature and history as well as how to photograph the Auroras, should they appear. You will be out for approximately 3.5 hours tonight.

Included Meals: Dinner

DAY
2

WALK WITH HUSKIES AND FARM VISIT AND FREE EVENING

Today following breakfast, it's time to explore the autumnal Arctic landscape in the company of some of the region's most-loved animals.

You will visit the nearby husky farm and take a tour of the facilities, learning all about the lives of these sled dogs. The loyal pack will then accompany you on an hour-long easy walk into the natural surroundings to admire the local flora and fauna alongside man's best friend.

Tonight, enjoy dinner in the main lodge. Your evening has been left free for you to spend as you please. Keep an eye on your Aurora alert system, as the green lights could appear at any time.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY
3

FREE DAY AND ARCTIC SKY, NATURE TRAIL AND AURORA PHOTOGRAPHY

Following breakfast, you have a free day to enjoy the autumnal Arctic as you please. You could drive to the nearby national park which has excellent hiking trails or you could visit Luosto and explore the village and Amethyst mine.

Tonight after dinner, you will head out once again in search of the Northern Lights. You will follow your guide on a beautiful walk through the old pine tree forest to a prime Aurora location with views of the Arctic sky.

During this activity, you will learn all about the nature around you, the Northern Lights and life in Lapland. Your guide will also help with your camera settings and teach you how to photograph the Northern Lights. You will be out for around 2.5 hours.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY
4

DEPARTURE

Today it is, unfortunately, time for your autumnal adventure in the Arctic to come to an end. You will have breakfast in the restaurant before driving back to Rovaniemi Airport.

Included Meals: None

Included Accommodation

Other options are available - see below for details.

Sunday Morning Resort (Nights: 1-3)



100kms above the Arctic Circle, in the fell scenery of one of Finland's oldest national parks, sits the peaceful Sunday Morning Resort. With its lakeside and forest surroundings, the resort is aptly named to reflect the atmosphere here - every day is like a tranquil Sunday morning and you'll feel the serenity as soon as you arrive.

The resort is ideally located just 90 minutes from the airport and Lapland's capital, Rovaniemi but is firmly situated in the heart of the wilderness. With activities available onsite, the Sunday Morning Resort is a brilliant mix of relaxing retreat with easy access to unbelievable Arctic experiences and Northern Lights opportunities.

As well as its excellent location, there is also only space for 28 people at the resort, making it one of the smallest we offer in Finland as well as adding a real exclusivity to this place. We would really recommend booking early to avoid disappointment.

HOTEL FACILITIES

- Built from old pine timber, the main lodge honours the natural surroundings, creating a wonderful log cabin feel
- The resort is carbon neutral with the help of eco-friendly heating systems and the dense forest surroundings
- Its big, bright dining area, lounge and cosy lobby bar are the perfect common areas to relax in after a day exploring the beautiful Arctic scenes
- Enjoy the delicious food made using local ingredients in the hotel restaurant
- Work out in the gym then unwind in the modern sauna downstairs
- At the lakeside, enjoy the wood-heated and traditional smoke sauna as well as a wood-fired hot tub

ROOM FACILITIES

MAIN LODGE

TWIN/DOUBLE ROOM: The main building houses four double rooms in the peaceful wing. Each room features a private balcony overlooking the lake, twin/double bed with intelligent mattress, smart TV, WiFi, shower with steam, sauna and massage features, bathrobes, slippers and hairdryer.

Other accommodation options

Contact us for a personalised quote.

Sunday Morning Resort Apartments



Situated in the fell scenery of one of Finland's oldest national parks and 100kms above the Arctic Circle, the Sunday Morning Resort is a true wilderness escape. Complete with lakeside and forest surroundings, every day in this peaceful resort feels like a tranquil Sunday morning.

Ideally located just 90 minutes from the airport and Lapland's capital, Rovaniemi and close to the fantastic ski slopes, you'll have access to modern amenities whilst staying firmly in the heart of the Finnish wilderness. The Sunday Morning Resort is a relaxing retreat with incredible Aurora and Arctic opportunities right on its doorstep.

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ROOM FACILITIES

AIHKI APARTMENTS

SLEEPS 2-5: Located in two duplex houses in the courtyard, each apartment has a bedroom for two

people, living room with fireplace, kitchen, bathroom and private sauna. There is also a spacious loft upstairs where three more beds can be set up. The apartments come with a smart TV, Wi-Fi and minibar.

The Specifics

Holiday group size (approximate)

This holiday requires a minimum of 2 people to run; maximum 28 people (approximately). Please speak to our Travel Experts for further information.

Group Size

We always try to provide an approximation of the group size you can expect to be with for the duration of each of our holidays. It may be that you are joined by others for parts of your holiday (such as transfers and particular activities) but the above number reflects those you can normally expect to be with from beginning to end. If group size is something which is particularly important to you, please speak to our Travel Experts and they can suggest the best holidays for you.

Tailor-made holiday group sizes will vary for all activities as will the group size for any additional activities you book.

Minimum numbers required for a holiday to operate

Some of our holidays require a minimum number of participants to operate (as listed in the 'Group Size' section). If your holiday departure has not yet reached the minimum number, you will be told at the time of booking. In the unlikely event that your chosen date is not guaranteed by nine weeks before your scheduled departure date, we will contact you to discuss the available options as per our [booking conditions](#).

Minimum and maximum age

If a specific minimum age applies to this holiday, it can be found in the Key Facts box on the holiday Overview page.

Unless otherwise stated in the Key Facts box on the holiday Overview page, the minimum age for participation in an Aurora Zone holiday is typically 12 years old (there may be younger children in some destinations who have booked with other companies). If an adult-only environment is important to you, then please contact our Travel Experts and they will advise on the best dates and destinations for you. If you are looking for a holiday designed specifically for families then please see our sister company www.activitiesabroad.com.

Itinerary amendments

The order of activities listed in this agenda is provided for guidance only, your final and detailed itinerary will be provided either with your final travel documents (which are uploaded into your online account around a week prior to departure) or upon arrival.

Terms and Conditions

Our full booking terms and conditions can be found on our website: <https://www.theaurorazone.com/booking-conditions>