



Harriniva and Jeris - Aurora Escape



HOLIDAY TYPE: Small Group
VISITING: Finland

BROCHURE CODE: 2010
DURATION: 7 nights

In Brief

This 7-night holiday takes you to the depths of Lapland and into Aurora territory. You can choose to stay at either Harriniva Wilderness Hotel, Torassieppi or Jeris and we've left the days free for you to tailor your time with exceptional Arctic activities. At night, we've included dedicated Aurora hunts to complete your winter escape.

Our Opinion

“ *This is a wonderful way to tailor a holiday in Lapland to suit individual needs and is also ideal for those who want a little more independence. The flexibility of this itinerary means you can design a personalised Arctic experience, whether you want to concentrate on adventure, the Northern Lights or simply enjoying the wonderful remote location.* ”

Amy Hope



What's included?

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

- **Flights:** return flights from London Heathrow to Kittilä (via Helsinki). Direct return flights from London Gatwick are available for a supplement on certain dates. Flight routes are subject to change.
- **Transfers:** return airport transfers
- **Accommodation:** 7 nights' accommodation in a standard twin/double hotel room (choose between Harriniva, Torassieppi or Jeris). Upgrade to Aurora Dome and snow igloo available on request (subject to availability).
- **The following activities are all included:** Northern Lights workshop*, Aurora snowshoe, one entrance to the Arctic Elements Sauna World, cross-country ski or snowshoe hire for one day (order of activities is subject to change).
- **Meals:** 7 breakfasts, 7 dinners
- Cold weather clothing for the duration of your stay
- Fully qualified wilderness guides and instructors during activities
- 24/7 assistance from our UK based operations team and in destination support from our local partners
- Aurora alert mobile app until approximately 1am

*will be replaced by Aurora Campfire when staying at Torassieppi

Trip Overview

This Northern Lights holiday provides exceptional value for money and offers the chance for you to spend seven nights in the heart of The Aurora Zone.

The itinerary contains some excellent Aurora excursions and activities including; an informative workshop that will provide an insight into the science behind the Northern Lights and a snowshoe search for the Aurora that will see your expert guide leading you to an ideal viewpoint. We have also included one entrance to the Arctic Elements Sauna World, on the shore of the frozen Lake Jerisjärvi. Here you can enjoy the four saunas with incredible views stretching out onto the lake and beyond; a

perfect way to relax and unwind.

During your stay, you will also have the chance to upgrade and spend the night in one of the snow rooms at Torassieppi Winter Village, or one of the amazing Aurora domes at either Hotel Jeris or Torassieppi (the location of your dome will be confirmed on arrival). You can read more about these wonderful tented dome rooms in the 'Accommodation' section, but they are exceptionally cosy with their own log burning stove and feature a wall of clear panels allowing you to curl up and look out into your Arctic winter wonderland and (fingers crossed!) onto the Northern Lights.

As Harriniva, Torassieppi and Jeris offer a wealth of activity options for guests to enjoy during their stay, we have left your days free so you can create your ideal itinerary which suits your own budget and desires. You can take part in as many or as few activities as you choose but both hotels certainly have something for everyone. Whether you want to simply try a short husky safari or take part in a real adventure, whether you want to enjoy a taste of snowmobiling or the thrill of a long safari; the choice is yours. For many guests, relaxing with a good book, taking walks along the riverbank or lakeshore and enjoying the company of the other guests is enough.

Cross-country ski hire is included for one day during your stay so that you can explore independently and enjoy the trails that surround the hotel. If you don't have experience of cross-country skiing then we recommend booking a lesson at the start of your stay so you can maximise the use of your ski hire.

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Agenda

Please note the order of activities is subject to change

DAY
1

ARRIVAL IN LAPLAND

Today you will land at Kittilä Airport, high above the Arctic Circle and will be transferred directly to your accommodation at either Hotel Harriniva, or Hotel Jeris, depending on your choice.

You will have the afternoon free to explore your surroundings and enjoy the winter wonderland you now find yourself in before dinner is served in the hotel's restaurant.

Included Meals: Dinner

DAY
2

AURORA WORKSHOP AND NORTHERN LIGHTS SNOWSHOE OR FREE AFTERNOON AND AURORA CAMPFIRE*

After breakfast, you can choose from a wide range of activities to suit your tastes (see the '[Personalise](#)' section for the timetable and prices).

This afternoon, you will then take part in an Aurora Workshop, during which your expert guide will give you an insight into the science behind the Northern Lights and an understanding of some of the myths and legends that surround this phenomenon.

After dinner this evening you can enjoy a guided snowshoe hike in search of the Northern Lights with an expert guide. You will be led along the trails to an ideal viewpoint where hopefully you will witness a display (if conditions are right). You will be out for approximately 2-3 hours this evening.

*If you are staying at Torassieppi, you will have a free afternoon. In the evening, your guide will provide you with an introduction to the Northern Lights and the science behind it. Afterwards, you head out to enjoy warm drinks by the fire and wait for the lights to appear. In total, the activity lasts around one to two hours. Your evening snowshoe hike will take place later in the week.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAYS
3 TO 7

TAILOR YOUR TIME, SKI OR SNOWSHOE HIRE AND ARCTIC ELEMENTS
SAUNA WORLD

The next few days are at your disposal so you can create your ideal holiday. A wide selection of activities is available to enjoy each day (details can be found in the '[Personalise](#)' section of the holiday page). Options include the likes of snowmobiling, snowshoeing, dog sledding, reindeer safaris, cultural experiences and ice fishing.

You may want to make the most of the cross-country ski or snowshoe hire which is included for one day within your holiday and explore independently. If you don't have any experience of cross-country skiing, then a lesson can be arranged on day three (see '[Personalise](#)' section for details) and this is a great way to get to grips with the equipment before heading out on the trails (maps and route details are available from reception).

We have also included one entrance to the Arctic Elements Sauna World, based at Hotel Jeris, on the shore of Lake Jerisjärvi. The four saunas here offer the perfect chance to embrace a favourite Finnish tradition and enjoy the stunning views of the frozen lake.

Additional evening activities are available throughout or you can simply walk to one of the viewpoints close to the hotel to enjoy the views of the night sky.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY
8

DEPARTURE

After a fabulous last night in Lapland, you will enjoy breakfast today before you are transferred to the airport for your return flights home.

Included Meals: Breakfast

Personalise this tour

Our pick



Arctic Firefox Lodge

For an exclusive experience, guests can choose to upgrade to the exceptional Arctic Firefox Lodge at Jeris for a night during their stay. This lakeside retreat offers panoramic views across Lake Jerisjarvi. You can spend your evening unwinding in your very own private sauna, before heading upstairs to your cosy bed, where unobstructed views of the night sky and the Arctic wilderness await. You can snuggle up in bed and gaze at the sky above you and if the Northern Lights appear above you, it really will top off this magical night. Your stay in this very special accommodation includes entry to

Arctic Sauna World, bathrobes and slippers.

Prices vary depending on dates and availability. Please speak to our Travel Experts for a quotation.

Credit Harriniva Hotels and Safaris

Other options

ACTIVITIES



Reindeer Aurora Experience

Combine two of the most iconic symbols of Lapland for one very magical outdoor experience: a quiet reindeer sleigh ride in search of the Northern Lights. Covering around three kilometres, you will travel two people per sled.

Thanks to the lack of light pollution, you will have a much better chance of spotting the Aurora. Following the safari, you will be served hot drinks by the fire. You will be out for around one to one and a half hours, including

transfers.

Activity level: Medium

Minimum: 2 people

Available:

Harriniva: Tuesday & Thursday at 8.20pm

Jeris: Tuesday & Thursday at 8.40pm

Torassieppi: Wednesday & Thursday at 9.00pm



Local Culture and Short Reindeer Safari (3km)

Learn about the culture of the original Lappish reindeer herders at one of the oldest farms in Finland. On this activity, you will head to a local reindeer farm and find out about the herder's way of life, take a tour of the on-site museum to discover more of the history, and enjoy an enchanting reindeer sleigh ride. Lunch is served in a traditional Lappish 'kota' around an open fire.

From late December, you will then enjoy a tour of the nearby Torassieppi Winter Village which features snow rooms, ice sculptures and a very cool restaurant (weather permitting!).

Activity level: Low

Minimum: 2 people

Duration: approximately 3.5 to 4.5 hour in total (including lunch and transfers)

Available:

Harriniva: Monday, Wednesday & Saturday at 10.20am

Jeris: Monday, Wednesday & Saturday at 10.40am

Torassieppi: Monday, Wednesday & Saturday at 11am



Who's the Meister (9km husky safari)

Say hello to the friendly huskies at the Arctic Sled Dog Centre and pick up the art of driving a dogsled. You will then test your skills on a nine-kilometre trail. Travelling two people per sled, you will have the chance of swapping the roles of driver and passenger halfway. This activity is ideal for those who wish to get a taste of dogsledding before going on a longer husky safari later in their holiday.

You will be out for around one-and-a-half to two hours.

Activity level: Low

Minimum: 2 people

Available: Wednesday at 10.30am (Harriniva only)

Duration: approximately 1.5 to 2 hours in total

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Aurora Snow Train

Step inside the cosy Snow Train carriage for an Aurora hunt into the wilderness.

Pulled along by your expert guide on a snowmobile, the Snow Train has been cunningly designed with an all-Perspex exterior to give you constant views of the night sky. As you journey further into the darkness, keep your eye out for a potential display.

You'll also stop in a prime location to enjoy hot drinks and continue your search. Your location will be chosen based on the local weather and Aurora forecast for the evening, giving you the best possible chance of ticking the Northern Lights off your bucket list.

Duration: 2 hours

Available:

Harriniva: Monday at 9pm & Friday at 10pm

Jeris: Tuesday & Thursday at 9pm

Torassieppi: Wednesday at 9pm



Tour de Torassieppi

Visit the Arctic Sled Dog Centre and meet the team of dogs that will be taking you on a 15km (approximately) dog sledding adventure.

After a full safety briefing and instructions, you'll take to the sled and drive your team of dogs through snow-covered forests to see the best of the winter wonderland.

Two people will ride per sled and we recommend taking it in turns so you can sit back and enjoy the ride.

Duration: 2.5 - 3 hours in total including transfers (approximately)

Minimum group size: 2 people

Suitable for: aged 5 years and over

Available:

Harriniva: Monday & Tuesday at 1 pm, Friday & Saturday at 10.30 am

Jeris: Monday at 9.45 am, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at 1.45 pm

Torassieppi: Monday at 10am, Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday at 2pm



Snowmobile Panorama Safari (30km)

On this exhilarating tour you will explore the fell landscapes which surround Harriniva. It is an excellent introductory trip. You will travel two people per snowmobile (with chances to switch between driver and passenger) and cover around 30km through snow-covered forests and across frozen lakes. Children will ride in a sled pulled by the guide. Guides, instruction and equipment included.

Total duration: approximately 2 hours

Activity level: Low

Available:

Harriniva: Monday, Tuesday & Friday at 1.30pm and Sunday at 10.00am

Jeris: Tuesday at 2pm & Sunday at 10am

Torassieppi: Tuesday & Wednesday at 2pm and Sunday at 10.00am

Single snowmobile supplement: £30pp



Traditional Finnish ice fishing

A national obsession in Finland, ice fishing is a must-try activity in this part of the world. You will be taking to a local fishing spot on a frozen lake. Here, you will be shown how to drill through the ice and arrange a line. As you wait for the fish to bite, you can take in the scenery with a hot drink in hand.

Activity level: Low

Minimum: 2 people

Duration: approximately 2 hours in total

Available:

Harriniva: Tuesday at 10am and Sunday at 1pm

Jeris: Thursday at 10am

Torasseippi: Thursday and Saturday at 10am



It's a husky day (25km husky safari)

Reaching the Arctic Sled Dog Centre, you will receive full instructions on how to drive a husky sled before heading off on a 25km husky safari, going one person per sled. This adventure will give you a real sense of the trail, as you will be out for around four to five hours.

Picnic lunch included.

Activity level: High

Minimum: 2 people

Duration: approximately 4.5 to 5.5 hours in total (including lunch)

Available:

Harriniva: Thursday at 10.30am

Jeris: Thursday 9:50am

Torassieppi: Thursday at 10.10am

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Husky Night Adventure

Chasing after the Northern Lights on a husky sled is a thrilling way to spend the evening. You will be carried through the wilderness, heading to excellent viewpoints for Aurora displays. Everyone will travel two people per sled, and the activity will last around two-and-a-half hours.

Activity level: Medium

Minimum: 2 people

Available:

Harriniva: Wednesday and Saturday at 8:20pm

Jeris: Wednesday and Saturday at 8:40pm

Torassieppi: Wednesday and Saturday at 9:00pm



Snowmobile to Torassieppi Reindeer Farm and Winter Village

After a full safety briefing and instructions, you will set off on the trail, covering around 40km through Arctic wilderness as you will make your way to the Torassieppi Reindeer Farm and Winter Village, by snowmobile.

On arrival you will head to the farm where you can meet and feed the reindeer, and of course take some photographs. You will then head to the nearby Winter Village to enjoy a truly memorable lunch in the ice restaurant before heading back to the hotel on your

snowmobile.

You will travel two people per machine through out and there will be the chance to swap drivers should you wish (drivers must be over 18 and hold a full driving licence to drive a snowmobile). Upgrades to single snowmobiles are available on request.

Duration: approximately 3.5 hours

Minimum group size: 2 people

Activity level: medium

Available:

Harriniva: Thursday & Saturday at 10am

Jeris: Saturday at 10am



Aurora Adventure (20km Snowmobile Safari)

For an adventurous way to search for the Northern Lights, hop onto a snowmobile and drive through the Arctic night (2 people per snowmobile).

This form of transport takes you to the best location for spotting the Aurora and you will also enjoy warm drinks as you search the sky.

You must over 18 to drive a snowmobile and hold a valid driving licence.

Duration: 20km (approx. 2 hours)

Minimum group size: 2 adults

Suitable for: Aged 12 years and over (children can ride in a sled pulled by the guide's snowmobile).

Available:

Harriniva: Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday at 9pm

Jeris: Monday & Friday at 9pm

Torassieppi: Monday & Friday at 9pm



Lapland snowmobile safari (on request)

This is the ultimate one-day snowmobile safari, covering a total distance of 60 to 80 kilometres, with a stop for hot drinks and a picnic lunch. You will drive your own snowmobile and will be out for between five and six hours.

Guides, instruction and equipment included.

You must be over 18 and hold a full driving licence to drive a snowmobile.

Activity level: High

Minimum: 2 people

Duration: approximately 5 to 6 hours in total (including lunch)

Available: Harriniva, Jeris and Torassieppi Friday at 10am

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Ski like a Finn!

Cross-country skiing is a much-loved activity in the Nordic Countries. Training in the basics will be provided, so it is an ideal session for those who have never tried the sport before.

Guides, instruction, and equipment included.

Activity level: Low

Minimum: 2 people

Duration: approximately 2 hours in total

Available:

Harriniva: Monday at 10am & Thursday and Sunday at 2pm

Jeris: Tuesday and Friday at 10am

Torassieppi: Tuesday at 10am & Friday at 2pm

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LITTLE EXTRAS



Cross-country ski hire

Book out some cross-country skis and try your skills out on the trails surrounding the hotel.

Image credit: William Lynds



Snowshoe hire

You can hire snowshoes and go for a trek at your own pace over the snow.

Image credit: William Lynds



Arctic Elements Sauna World

You will be transferred to Harriniva's sister hotel at Jeris. Once here, you will have the afternoon to enjoy the spa facilities in this wonderful lakeside location.

Saunas are a traditional wellbeing pastime in Finland. They not only provide a space for relaxation, but the Finns also use them for meditation as well as mental and physical cleanliness.

Jeris is a wonderfully luxurious spa facility for you to experience the sauna just as the locals do. What's more, it is the first of its kind in Finland, with strong eco-credentials thanks to features such as geothermal heating generated from the Jerisjärvi lake, 100% renewable electricity from wind, water or solar power and the shower water is from the nearby under earth fountain.

The four saunas have been carefully themed on the four elements; earth, air, fire and water, as these are found in all traditions and shamanic wellbeing rituals. These elements combine to create a fifth, steamy löyly, the spirit of sauna. Each element is represented by Finnish gods or goddesses, as the protectors of the saunas. For the Aurora enthusiasts, there is also a special extra facility you can add to your visit - the Northern Lights sauna:

- Sauna of Tapio (Earth). Tapio is the antlered king of the forest and in this sauna, you will feel the earthy and forest surroundings of the Finnish wilderness. Created from wood, tiles and natural stone, the sauna is split into four areas, north, east, south and west, each providing a different kind of löyly from mild to hot.
- Sauna of Ukko (Fire). Ukko is the king of all gods and master of lightning, fire and air. This smoke sauna is the most traditional, and a favourite among the Finns. The wood heating process carries the smoke throughout to create a dark colouring, smokey scent and if you choose, a fiery heat.
- Sauna of Vellamo (Water). Vellamo is the goddess of water and the ruler of lakes and rivers. This sauna has a panoramic view over Lake Jeris, a holy place for Sámi people, with its waters reflecting light onto the sauna walls it offers an incredibly calming atmosphere. The soft and

moist löyly means you can stay in for longer for extended relaxation.

- **Sauna of Ilmatar (Air).** Ilmatar is the goddess of wind, and the first mother in the beginning of times. Made from wood and natural stone, this sauna has no fire or thick walls - instead infrared heaters are situated inside a traditional kota for a soft and gentle heat. Think of this as half sauna, half relaxation room.
- **Saunas of Tulikettu (The Northern Lights Sauna.)** Tulikettu is the mystical firefox that lights up the sky and creates the Auroras. This two-storey panorama sauna is ideally situated under the open sky with a 180 degree view over Lake Jeris. The relaxing room on the second floor has an all-sky panoramic window for a clear view of the night sky and if conditions are favourable, the Northern Lights. This sauna is perfect for private relaxation and comes with its own toilets, changing room and showers. Please ask our Aurora Travel Experts if you wish to include the Northern Lights sauna in your package.

For those feeling particularly brave, you can even enjoy some ice swimming. Towels are included and a minimum of 2 adults are required for this activity.

Activity Level: Easy

Available:

Harriniva: Tuesday and Saturday at 3.30pm

Jeris: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 1pm until 10pm and Wednesdays and Fridays at 1pm

Torassieppi: Monday to Sunday at 3.40pm

SPECIAL NIGHTS



Overnight at Torassieppi Winter Village

Spend a memorable night in a traditional snow igloo room within Torassieppi Winter Village. Snow structures and igloos have been used for centuries as a form of protection from the Arctic weather and whilst the outside temperatures can plummet, inside they remain more moderate.

Your surroundings may be made of snow and ice, but the thick sleeping bag and mattress will ensure a warm night.

Any required transfers, sleeping bag, hot drink and breakfast are all included. You will enjoy your evening meal at your hotel prior to transferring to your snow igloo room in the evening at approximately 8:30/9pm. The toilet and sauna facilities are approximately 200 metres' walk away. You

will check out after breakfast

Available: Monday to Sunday at 8.30/9pm

Please note: that as activity schedules can be subject to change we may be unable to confirm the exact night that you will spend at Torassieppi although every effort will be made to accommodate specific requests they cannot be guaranteed. Your final itinerary including confirmation of the date of your stay at Torassieppi will be confirmed upon arrival in Finland.

Prices are based on you spending the first or last night of your holiday in this unique accommodation and not keeping your original accommodation. If you would like to do this on any other night during your holiday you will need to keep your accommodation and supplements will apply.

Image credit: Antti Pietikäinen



Overnight in an Aurora Dome

The remarkable Aurora Domes are situated at both Torassieppi and Jeris, a location just a short transfer away, and offer a unique experience for overnight guests. These dome-shaped tents are filled with cosy features and are simple in style, with fantastic views looking out to the frozen lake beyond. The domes have been designed so that one wall is see-through and therefore provides views of the night sky and, with luck, the Northern Lights.

The domes are equipped with a double bed and a wood-burning stove, as well as an electric heater. Although the stove and heater will keep the dome in a warm state, we do recommend keeping additional layers to hand, in case you find yourself in need of extra warmth should the fire burn out. The toilet, shower and sauna facilities are located a short walk away (50-100m, approximately).

Clients may be allocated to either destination on arrival. Any required transfers and breakfast are included. For December dates at Torassieppi, you will have dinner at your hotel, prior to transferring to your dome at approximately 8:30/9pm; from early January onwards, you will check-in at approximately 4 pm and have dinner at Torassieppi. If you are staying at an Aurora Dome in Jeris, check-in is approximately 4 pm throughout the season and you will have dinner at Jeris as well.

At both locations, you will check out after breakfast.

Please note: the price shown is based on your spending the first or final night of your stay in a dome and therefore not requiring a hotel room or cottage. Should you wish to spend an alternative night glamping then additional supplements will apply. Please contact one of our team for a quote.

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Overnight husky safari (50km)

This activity makes for a spectacular wilderness experience. Having learnt how to operate a husky sled, you will be taken by an energetic husky team through amazing natural environments, covering around 20 to 25 kilometres per day. You will spend the night at a remote wilderness cabin, having dinner and breakfast there. Lunch will be had on the outdoor trails. You will be in responsible for looking after your husky team and assisting with campsite tasks, like collecting firewood.

Each wilderness cabin is a little different to the others; some have very basic facilities, without running water or electricity – a real chance to experience simple living in the natural world! Each one is welcoming and comfy, keeping everybody warm after a

day on the trail and offering dormitory-style sleeping arrangements. As the cabins are in truly remote locations, you will be far away from light pollution, making your position ideal for seeing the Northern Lights.

All instruction and equipment are provided (including an Arctic grade sleeping bag).

Activity level: High

Minimum: 2 adults

Available:

Harriniva: Friday at 10.00 am

Jeris: Friday at 9.20am

Torassieppi: Friday at 9.40am

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Jeris Winter Cottage upgrade

Guests can choose to upgrade their accommodation at Jeris and spend their holiday in one of the Type A winter cottages.

The Type A winter cottages are generally located around a 10 minute walk from the main hotel building. The cottages are ideal for couples looking for a private retreat.

The cottages can vary slightly in size but all can sleep two to four people. They consist of one spacious room with a sleeping alcove for two people and a pull out sofa bed for two more. All the cottages are privately owned; consequently the decor and style can vary. Each cottage contains a cosy wood burning stove, a kitchenette, a television, a shower room and a private sauna.

Included Accommodation

Other options are available - see below for details.

Harriniva Wilderness Hotel (Nights: 1-7)



Ideally located in the north-west corner of Finland, high above the Arctic Circle and in the very heart of the Aurora Zone, Harriniva Wilderness Hotel serves as a perfect base for your adventure holiday.

Owned and run by the Pietikäinen family, the hotel has developed a growing reputation for its warm ambience and a large range of enjoyable activities on offer.

Hotel facilities

The hotel has a range of facilities that have been designed to make your stay here as enjoyable as possible.

- There is free Wi-Fi throughout the main building for guest use, in our experience, we have found it works best in the main reception and dining area
- The hotel restaurant has a lively, buzzing atmosphere as people excitedly discuss the adventures they have taken part in that day. The meals are served in a buffet style with two or three choices for each course. The food here is hearty and wholesome
- The hotel also has a pub serving a range of beers, wines and spirits - this is the perfect place to unwind and relax with your fellow guests in the evening
- Tea and coffee are available free of charge throughout the day in the hotel restaurant / bar area.
- In the main reception area of the hotel, you will find a small gift shop selling a range of postcards, soft toys and handcrafted products. There is also a selection of snacks that can be purchased
- A sauna is available for guest use with separate facilities for men and women. This is free of charge and is heated every evening for around three hours
- The hotel also has an Aurora Wellness Centre (situated a short walk away on the riverbank), where you can enjoy a range of therapies such as facials or massages. A real treat after a day of soaking up the pristine wilderness! During peak periods, we would strongly recommend booking therapies in advance through reception (all payable locally and we recommend booking in advance if possible)
- Snowshoes and cross country skis are available to hire for a small charge and there are marked trails surrounding the hotel for those with some experience. For those interested in downhill skiing, reception will be able to arrange a taxi to the nearby ski resort of Olos (payable locally)

Room types

Wilderness plus rooms

Decorated in traditional Scandinavian style, these bedrooms were refurbished in 2018. The rooms include double/twin beds and an unfolding sofa suitable for 1 adult or 2 children. All rooms have an en-suite shower room and a hairdryer, as well as a small seating area.

Double/twin rooms

Harriniva has 64 guest bedrooms which consist of twin or double rooms. Triple rooms are also available on request. Decorated in traditional Scandinavian style, all rooms have an en-suite shower room and a hairdryer.

Wilderness Suite

Spacious wilderness style room, decorated in traditional Scandinavian style, these rooms were refurbished in 2018. Located on the ground floor, close to reception these rooms include double/twin beds and an unfolding sofa suitable for 1 adult or 2 children. All rooms have an en-suite shower room and a hairdryer, as well as a small seating area.

Safari House

For those travelling on our longer husky or snowmobile experiences, your nights at the hotel will be spent in shared accommodation in one of Harriniva's Safari Houses. Each has sleeping facilities, a shower room, toilet and a sauna. Some safari houses are on site, whereas others are located 3km from the hotel. If you are staying off-site, you will be transferred to and from the hotel for meals.

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Other accommodation options

Contact us for a personalised quote.

Hotel Jeris



Hotel Jeris occupies an enviable location which is 20 kilometres from the nearest village and is located directly on the shores of Lake Jerisjärvi. It is this remote position that makes the hotel an enchanting forest retreat.

The hotel is owned and run by the Pietikäinen family, who also manage the neighbouring sister hotels of Harriniva, Kittila and Torassieppi.

Their hotels are some of our most popular accommodation options in Finland, having received high praise for their knowledgeable guides and exciting activity options.

The hotel consists of a central building and 32 winter cottages in the adjacent forest.

Hotel facilities

- Your meals will be served in the hotel restaurant, which offers a rustic menu of traditional and local Finnish dishes. Meals are served buffet-style with one or two options for each course. Guests can enjoy local delicacies, such as salmon and reindeer. The hearty food here is ideal for setting you up for your adventures in the snow.
- There is a small lounge area where guests can relax in the evening and take advantage of the hotel's free Wi-Fi.
- Tea and coffee are available free of charge throughout the day in the hotel restaurant/bar area.
- A significant feature of Hotel Jeris is the wonderful Arctic Elements Lakeside Spa. Renovated for winter 2019/20, the spa is the first of its kind in Finland, with strong eco-credentials, thanks to its use of entirely renewable electricity and geothermal heating generated from the Jerisjärvi lake. There are four saunas here each inspired by an element; earth, fire, water and air and each named after Finnish gods and goddesses. Included are a traditional smoke sauna and plenty of areas for relaxation. Spa area entry is included in the majority of our trips (see what's included for details), but if not you can book entry via the reception for a daily fee. For the Aurora enthusiasts, there is also an upgrade option to the special Northern Lights sauna which offers panoramic views of the night sky. If conditions are favourable, this could be one of the most relaxing ways to see this fantastic light display. For the brave (and healthy) you can complete your sauna experience with a dip in the ice pool - a Finnish tradition.
- A small selection of souvenirs is available for guests to purchase (including postcards and local handicrafts and snacks) in the reception area.

Double/twin rooms

In the main hotel building at Jeris, there are 27 comfortable traditional bedrooms. All guest bedrooms have an en-suite shower room, a drying cupboard and television. A limited amount of hairdryers are available from reception.

The Specifics

Holiday group size (approximate)

This holiday requires a minimum of 2 people to run, however, we require a minimum of 8 people for our flight allocation. Maximum 24 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.

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