



# Torassieppi - Eco-Glamping and Aurora Reindeer Sleigh Ride



**HOLIDAY TYPE:** Small Group  
**VISITING:** Finland

**BROCHURE CODE:** 2232  
**DURATION:** 5 nights

## In Brief

Spend 5 nights in Finnish Lapland, surrounded by peaceful winter wilderness that doubles up as an excellent Northern Lights searching ground. Your evenings are spent Aurora hunting in many different ways, including an exceptional night glamping in an Aurora Dome. Your days are left free to relax in the pristine landscape and nearby Arctic sauna.

## Our Opinion

*“ I recently choose Torassieppi as the ideal location to take my family to celebrate my dad’s 70th birthday. I knew that the warm hospitality, fantastic food and idyllic winter setting on the side of the frozen lake would make this occasion really memorable. Staying in an Aurora Dome with the roaring fire and a bottle of sparkling wine was the icing on the really special week in Lapland cake! ”*

Amy Hope



## What's included?

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

- **Flights:** return flights from London Heathrow to Kittilä (via Helsinki). Flight routes are subject to change
- **Transfers:** return transfers from Kittilä Airport
- **Accommodation:** 4 nights hotel room accommodation and 1 night in an Aurora Dome
- **Meals:** 5 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 5 dinners
- **Activities:** Northern Lights campfire, reindeer Northern Lights experience, Arctic Elements Sauna World, Northern Light snowshoe, Aurora glamping (order subject to change)
- Fully qualified guides and instructors during activities
- Cold weather clothing for the duration of your stay
- 24/7 assistance from our UK based operations team and in destination support from our local partners

## Trip Overview

Close to the borders of the stunning Pallas Ylläs National Park, tucked away in the north-west corner of Finnish Lapland sits Torassieppi, a peaceful winter landscape full of Arctic and Aurora opportunities.

The surrounding wilderness means a lack of light pollution, giving you ideal viewing conditions for the Northern Lights. Your itinerary includes three dedicated activities to get you out further into the wilds and on the search for the Aurora. From visiting a prime lookout spot with your expert guide to putting on snowshoes and then via a reindeer-pulled sleigh, you'll be searching the skies in memorable ways.

A true highlight in your Northern Lights quest is spending the night in an Aurora Dome, situated on the banks of the frozen lake. The insulated domes come equipped with a large Perspex north-facing window, giving you the best possible views of the night sky, and if conditions are favourable, the Northern Lights.

Your days here have been left free to tailor your time as you please. This means you can make your

stay as adventurous or relaxing as you like, with a visit to the Arctic Sauna World included and a range of optional activities to create your dream winter itinerary.

# Agenda

Please note the order of activities is subject to change

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## ARRIVAL AND NIGHT IN AN AURORA DOME

Upon arrival at Kittilä airport, you will be transferred to Torassieppi to start your winter getaway.

You will either stay in the Aurora Dome tonight or on your last night - find out more information about this exceptional concept in our 'accommodation' tab. No matter where you are staying tonight, keep an eye on the sky as you may get your first glimpse of the Northern Lights.

**Included Meals:** Dinner

DAY  
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## FREE DAY AND NORTHERN LIGHTS CAMPFIRE

Your first day has been left free for you to settle into your surroundings. We have a range of optional activities if you would like to fill your time with some Arctic adventures. See our '[Personalise](#)' tab for more information.

All meals will be served in the hotel restaurant and following dinner, you will embark on your first dedicated Northern Lights activity.

You will meet with your guide who will give you an expert insight into the science behind the Auroras. You will then make your way to a nearby camp, ideally located away from artificial light. Your guide will make a fire and you can ask any questions you have about life in Lapland as you wait for a potential display. This activity lasts for around one to two hours in total.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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## FREE DAY AND REINDEER NORTHERN LIGHTS

Today is again free for you to enjoy the pristine environment as you please. Choose from our range of activities in the 'personalise' section or simply relax in the hotel's surroundings.

As usual, all meals will be served in the hotel restaurant. Tonight after dinner you will head out with the local reindeer herder for a peaceful sleigh ride into the forest. You will be warm under the blankets in the reindeer sleigh, all the while keeping your eyes on the sky for the Northern Lights.

After the 3km tour, enjoy hot juice by the fire. You will be out for around forty-five minutes to one hour in total.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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## ARCTIC ELEMENTS SAUNA WORLD AND FREE EVENING

Today following breakfast, you will have a free morning to either arrange additional activities (bookable and payable locally) or to relax in your cosy winter accommodation. Lunch will be served in the hotel restaurant before transferring mid-afternoon to Torassieppi's sister hotel, Jeris for your visit to the Arctic Elements Sauna World.

Unwind in a variety of saunas, each themed on the four elements; earth, fire, water and air and named after Finnish gods and goddesses. The facilities include a traditional smoke sauna as well as areas designed for ultimate relaxation with uninterrupted views out to the vast frozen lake. The very brave can also try a post sauna dip in the icy lake, the Finns claim it is a truly euphoric experience. This activity will last for around three to four hours in total including transfers.

After dinner, your evening is free for you to Aurora hunt independently. Keep an eye on the forecast and the skies for a potential display.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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## FREE DAY AND NORTHERN LIGHTS SNOWSHOEING

Spend the day relaxing in Torassieppi before your Northern Lights hunt tonight.

There can be no more peaceful way of searching for the Aurora than on snowshoes. You and your guide will head off in search of the Northern Lights on foot. This is a lovely way to see the landscape in a completely different light and walking under a star-filled sky is a very special experience. You will be out and about for around two to three hours in total and hot drinks are included.

If you didn't spend your first night in the Aurora Dome, you will get the opportunity tonight. Continue your Aurora hunt well into the night, from the comfort of your spectacular glamping site. See our 'Accommodation' tab for more information on the wonderful Aurora Domes.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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## DEPARTURE

Today, it is, unfortunately, time for your wilderness glamping retreat to come to an end. After

breakfast, we will transfer you to the airport for your return flight home. If you have an early flight time, we will box up breakfast for you to take with you.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast

## Personalise this tour

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### Our pick



### 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.

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**Duration:** 2.5 hours in total including transfers (approximately)

**Minimum group size:** 2 people

**Suitable for:** aged 5 years and over

**Available:** Monday at 10 am and Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 2pm

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## Other options

### ACTIVITIES



## Panorama Safari

After a full safety briefing and instructions, you will drive your snowmobiles through the Lappish winter landscape (2 people per snowmobile)

This sightseeing tour lasts for around 2 hours (30km) as you move across the snow to reach incredible lookouts.

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

**Duration:** 2 hours (approximately)

**Minimum group size:** 2 adults

**Suitable for:** aged 4 years and over (children can ride in a sled pulled by the guide's snowmobile).

**Available:** Tuesday and Wednesday at 2pm and Sunday 10am



## Local Culture

Reindeer herding is intrinsic in Lappish culture. During this activity, you will gain an authentic insight into this tradition at one of the oldest reindeer farms in Finland.

You will learn all about the fascinating history of the family who used to live here and visit the museum on site.

You will also meet the animals as they pull you in a traditional sled through the forest.

Lunch is served in a traditional Lappish Kota around an open fire. You will also see the impressive Winter Village Snow Hotel which is situated next to the farm.

**Duration:** 3-3.5 hours (approximately) including lunch

**Minimum group size:** 2 adults

**Suitable for:** Aged 4 years and over.

**Available:** Monday, Wednesday and Saturday at 11am



## Ice Fishing

See who can get the catch of the day during ice fishing. You'll be provided with all the equipment as well as an introduction to winter fishing. This trip also includes a hot drink and if you catch a fish, the kitchen will prepare it for you.

**Duration:** 2 hours (approximately)

**Minimum group size:** 2 adults

**Available:** Thursday and Saturday at 10 am

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## Included Accommodation

Other options are available - see below for details.

### Aurora Dome at Torassieppi (Nights: 1)



These incredible structures at Torassieppi offer a rather different overnight experience for guests. Shaped like domes, these tents have pleasant, cosy décor, with one wall designed to be see-through, allowing you to gaze at the night sky in search of the Northern Lights.

Each dome has a double bed and a wood-burning stove. Toilet, shower and sauna facilities are just a short walk away (around 50-100 metres).

## Torassieppi Reindeer Farm (Nights: 2-5)



Located on the edge of Lake Torasjarvi, and bordering the Pallas Ylläs National Park, Torassieppi Reindeer Farm is situated in one of the most picturesque wilderness areas in Finland.

The farm building dates back to 1847 making it one of the oldest in the area. Today it has been lovingly renovated and accommodation has been added nearby so that guests can stay in this spectacular spot.

Torassieppi Reindeer Farm is also listed by [National Geographic Travel](#) as one of the places to visit in 2017.

Here they offer guests a choice of accommodation, in winter cottage rooms or in detached winter cottages.

## Facilities



- Torassieppi has a central restaurant and reception building which is a short walk from the rooms and winter cottages. A roaring fire accompanies the evening meals which include as much local produce as possible. Typically they are served in a buffet format and include traditional Finnish ingredients such as reindeer (of course dietary requirements are also catered for).
- There is no bar but alcohol can be purchased from the restaurant so it can be enjoyed with your evening meal.
- The reception building also has a small gift shop area which sells a variety of local crafts, including reindeer hides and traditional carved Kuksa cups.
- There are two lakeside saunas at Torassieppi which are both heated in the evenings for guests to use. Separate facilities are provided for both men and women.
- There is free Wi-Fi in the main restaurant building.
- Tea and coffee are available free of charge throughout the day in the hotel restaurant / bar area.
- During the winter months, the nearby Torassieppi Winter Village is carved out of snow and you can personalise your stay by adding an overnight in one of the amazing snow igloos. You may also choose to add a night of Arctic glamping in one of the famous Aurora Domes, which are only a short walk away from the main building and available all year round. Please see our personalise section for further details of both options.
- A perfect spot to search for the Aurora, there are also a few wooden benches on the edge of the frozen lake, which are ideal for enjoying the expansive wilderness and hopefully a Northern Lights display or two

## Room types

**DOUBLE/TWIN ROOMS:** Torassieppi has only eight rooms which are located a short walk from the main building. There are two rooms to each small cabin building. Each room is completely independent with their own en-suite bathroom and entrance but some rooms can be interconnecting at the guest's request. The rooms can be made up as either twin or double bedded rooms and are really cosy with all the facilities you will need to enjoy your stay including tea and coffee making facilities and hairdryers.

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## Other accommodation options

Contact us for a personalised quote.

### Torassieppi Winter Cottages



Torassieppi offers 8 detached winter cottages to which you can upgrade. The cottages are ideal for those who want more space or for larger groups of people. Located close to the main restaurant, they are only a short walk away through the snow-laden trees and close to the frozen lake beyond.

The smaller cottages contain a fireplace, living room area, toilet, shower, hairdryer and kitchenette. There are two bedrooms, one with twin beds and another with three beds (including a set of bunk beds). These can accommodate two to five people, we feel they are ideal for 3 or 4 adults.

Torassieppi also has some larger cottages and these have their own sauna in addition to the fireplaces. The larger cottages offer a living room area, toilet, shower, hairdryer and kitchenette with a kettle. They have two bedrooms which have twin beds and a sleeping alcove with bunk beds. Whilst they can sleep up to 6 people, we feel that they are most suited to 4 or 5 adults.

Please contact our Travel Experts for a quotation if you would like to upgrade to a winter cottage.

## The Specifics

### Holiday group size (approximate)

Minimum 2. Maximum 30 (approximately)

### 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](http://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>