

Kings Trail Expedition (North)

from Nikkaulokta to Abisko, Sweden



You travel with a mountain guide, heading north, on the Kings Trail in Swedish Lapland, driving your own sledge with 4 to 6 dogs. You help out with food preparation, dish washing, and wood chopping, building a fire and fetching water. During the expedition you'll reach the high alpine areas in this remote region.

Departures:

6th to 12th March 2010

Day 1 Saturday:

Arriving at Kiruna airport you need to take a bus or taxi to Nikkaulokta, about 1 hour west of Kiruna, where you will be able to make yourself at home. First you get to know the dogs then during dinner you will be told all about your tour with 'traveller of the cold', the Siberian husky.

Day 2 Sunday:

Today you will be taught how to get the dogs into their harnesses and to get them all in front of your sledge. Once the dogs and you are on your way and the biggest commotion is under control the dogs will fall into a nice pace. Now the only sound you hear is the sledge against the snow and the breathing sounds of the dogs. We drive 19km to the Kebnekaise Mountain station where we'll have dinner in the restaurant.

Day 3 Monday:

This day we will leave the civilisation and travel to Sälka. The distance is 25km. In Sälka you also can use a mountain sauna before dinner.

Day 4 Tuesday:

Today we go to the highest point of the 'Kings Trail', the Tjäktjapass. Here we stop for lunch. After lunch we go down on the other side of the pass towards Alesjaure. Here we stay for the night. Distance 26km.

Day 5 Wednesday:

Today we will see a little bit of the civilisation again and we will drive to Abisko 38km. Today we have no wood chopping, no building fire.....only relaxing.

Day 6 Thursday:

Today we will do one day tour to one of the nicest places in this area. We go to the Korsavagge hut. Here we take our lunch before we go back to Abisko

Day 7 Friday:

After breakfast the adventure is over and you will need to take the bus back to Kiruna Airport (1 to 2 hours, cost about £10).

Cost: £1425 per person

Max 8 persons.

Includes: equipment, your own team of dogs, full board, accommodation and outer clothing if necessary

Note: expedition heading south on same route: £1625 per person, 28th February to 6th March

