

Teambuilding in Karelia, Finland

This is a suggested core program of 5 days and 4 nights. There are 2 extra options if you wish to include them.



Duration: 5 days / 4 nights
Time of year: Jan to Mar
Size of group: 7-10 persons

ITINERARY 1st DAY

Arrive at Helsinki airport, domestic flight to Joensuu. The guide will meet the group at the airport. Transfer, one hour to Border hotel Korpiselkä. Check-in at the hotel, get-together dinner, Karelian buffet table. Borderhotel is located in Hoilola village, just in the border of Russia. The village is small, Karelian village located on the shore of the lake Korpijärvi, Korpijoki. Border hotel is modern Karelian type hotel, having the main house, where is located the restaurant and meeting rooms. In the year there are Karelian cottage type houses, where are modern rooms, 21 all. There are also teepee-shelter just beside the hotel and sauna on the shore of the river in the small cottage.



2nd DAY

Breakfast. Rally day in Rally Centre. Rally centre is just 20 km from the hotel. In the Centre there are different activity points; ice trek, where they drive by themselves, small rally trek, where also they can drive themselves, main trek, where co-piloting by experienced rally drivers is organised. In the pit area there are also possible to make different competition connected to rally driving. Lunch in the pit area cafeteria. Transfer back to the hotel, sauna and dinner. Finnish fish dinner.



3rd DAY

Breakfast. Dog sledge day in the forest. Lunch in the forest by a camp fire. Dog sledge trek is going in the forest near the hotel in the total wilderness. Again back to the hotel, sauna and dinner. Game dinner.

4th DAY

Breakfast. This can be either the day of silence in the Karelian culture and orthodox tradition. First transfer to Finnish farm house where coffee break with Karelian salty pastries. The tour is going on to Ilomantsi, where in Parppeinvaara, Karelian house, Kantele-music concert and presentation the history. Lunch with home-made food in the old orthodox vicarage. Church-music concert in the orthodox church of Ilomantsi. Back to the hotel, sauna. Farewell dinner, "soap stone beef stakes".

5th DAY

Breakfast. Transfer to Joensuu airport.

Additional programs:

A) Snowmobiling to Russia, one day program to Värtsilä Jänisjärvi lake.

From the hotel is 40 km to the border station in Niirala-Värtsilä. It takes 2 hours by snowmobiling. Then crossing the border and a short drive to Jänisjärvi lake, where traditional Russian lunch. After lunch driving on the lake and back to Finland and the hotel. The whole day takes 10 hours.

B) Snowmobiling in Finland having lunch by the camp fire.

