

Rauma

Highlights of Finnish Culture and Natural Beauty



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Just a day trip away from Stockholm and Helsinki, Rauma is a town of unique cultural importance. Founded in 1442, this town of 40,000 inhabitants is home to two UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Rauma is also Finland's lace-making capital, and a thriving lace-making tradition is one of the town's specialities.

The jewel in the crown of Finland's third oldest town is the wooden town centre of Old Rauma. The largest of its kind in Scandinavia, Old Rauma dates back to Finland's Middle Ages. With its markets, arts and crafts centres and cafés, this idyllic environment was chosen as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1991. Today the 30 hectare area is a vibrant town centre with a number of specialist shops as well as important historic and artistic attractions. Old Rauma and its surroundings were chosen as Finland's town centre of the year 2009.

Rauma's other internationally recognised cultural treasure is Sammallahdenmäki - the first (and currently only) archaeological site in Finland to be included on the list of UNESCO World Heritage sites. This impressive site of around 36 graves and burial cairns dates from the Finnish Bronze Age (1500-500 BC) and is set in beautiful forest surroundings. The site was added to the UNESCO World Heritage list in 1999.

With its beautiful parks and scenery, Rauma is also known as a picturesque seaside town. Arriving to the city by sea is an experience in itself, and the natural, historic beauty of the Rauma coast and archipelago form a central part of the new Bothnian Sea National Park.

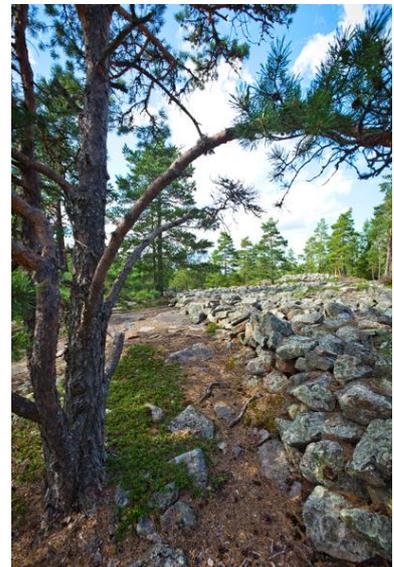


SHORE EXCURSIONS

One free shuttle bus is provided for each cruise vessel (max 7 hours: harbour-city centre/market place-harbour).

Rauma and its two World Heritage Sites (4 hours)

Experience history at Rauma's UNESCO World Heritage sites - the vibrant wooden town centre of Old Rauma and the Sammallahdenmäki Bronze Age burial site. The guided tour takes visitors to both World Heritage sites and introduces their historic significance and value today.



Vuojoki Mansion - The Magnificent Mansion House By C. L. Engel (3 hours)

Witness the magnificence of the mansion designed by C.L. Engel, its surroundings and what life was like in a 19th century mansion. The Empire style mansion in Eurajoki is among the finest examples of architectural art in Finland. The guided tour takes visitors around the mansion, where they learn something of its history and experience the mansion atmosphere. The guided tour is finished off with a buffet lunch or coffee at the mansion restaurant.



Archipelago Excursion to the Bothnian Sea National Park and Kylmäpihlaja Lighthouse Island (3.5 hours)

Enjoy a trip out to sea, around the archipelago and areas that form an essential part of the new Bothnian Sea National Park. During the trip you will learn about the diverse nature of the national park and its history.

Find out about the wildlife and birds on the beautifully desolate Kylmäpihlaja Island and see the magnificent scenery from the lighthouse tower. An island-themed lunch or coffee break can then be enjoyed in the restaurant of the lighthouse hotel.



How Paper is Made - A Visit to UPM Paper Mills (2.5 hours)

The paper industry is one of Finland's key economic strengths. See how high-quality paper for magazines is made in one of Europe's largest paper factories at UPM Oyj's paper mills.



How the Finns Live (3 hours)

Take a peek into how daily life once was in Finland by visiting a few homes in Rauma. People at different stages of their lives and living in different types of homes tell visitors of their lives, routines and homes.

The artistic home (museum) of the factory-owning Lönströms is full of antiques and fine art collected by the family, and visitors get to experience their 1940s home and lifestyle.

The visit finishes with coffee and something nice at the café.

Sausage and Honey Tasting (3.5 hours)

The sausage is highly popular in Finnish cuisine and honey is sweetness at its most natural.

This trip explores local tastes in the form of Finnish sausages and different arctic honeys and lets visitors learn about how they are made.

Our first destination is the Kivikylän Palvaamo meat company. In 20 years the company has grown from a family's hobby into a meat producer employing 220 people. The company's products are made using 100% Finnish ingredients which come from local farms that don't use genetically modified feed. We get to hear a bit about the company and how sausages are made, and taste 5-10 of their most popular varieties of sausage. We can also see and smell a genuine, wood fired smoke sauna, in which the company's sauna-smoked meats are produced. There is also the possibility to buy their products from the factory shop.



Our next visit is to Finland's best known honey-making company Lappi-Hunaja. The company has won a number of awards and has over 60 years' experience. It employs around 15 million honey professionals; in around 300 hives, these professionals produce around 20,000 kilos of honey every year. 80% of this is exported, mostly to German-speaking countries in Europe.

We learn about the fascinating world of honey and bees and get to taste a number of rare varieties of honey. Tea and coffee are served along with something sweet featuring honey, and you can follow the busy life of the bees at the same time in a glass hive. In addition to honey products, the coffee shop also sells a selection of gift items and handicrafts.

Ideal group size is 25 people (minimum 15, maximum 50). A guide will be present for the whole trip. A visit to the archaeological UNESCO World Heritage site of Sammalahdenmäki is also worth incorporating into the trip. The ancient burial site is located in Lappi, very near to the two places visited on this excursion. If the burial site is included in the trip, the whole excursion will last around 4.5 hours.

Canoeing/Kayaking Trip (4 hours)

At the beginning of the trip participants are introduced to the canoes or kayaks, other equipment and safety information. If needed, we will also instruct in the basics of canoeing, making this trip ideal even for first-timers or those with a little experience. Our trip begins at the Otanlahti swimming beach, and we will canoe out to the nearby islands.



During the trip the instructor will give guidance on technique and on how the kayak behaves in the water. During the break we will brew some coffee over an open fire, then make our way back to Otanlahti.

The trip includes the use of the canoe or kayak, a cover and a paddle, instruction as necessary throughout the trip, and coffee. A wilderness lunch is also available. It is also possible to simply try canoeing.

Minimum group 3 people, maximum 20. Weather-appropriate clothing must be worn.

Art, Bobbin Lace and Handicrafts (3 hours)

Old Rauma offers visitors fascinating history and surroundings as well as a number of art and handicrafts experiences. The guided walking tour of Old Rauma takes visitors to well-known artists' and handicraft workshops.



The tour also introduces visitors to the Rauma Art Museum. The museum is in a 200 year-old stone building and exhibits works by local and international artists.

We also find out about the famous Rauma lace and get to see a lace-maker in action.



Bike Tour/Sightseeing (3.5 hours, around 20 km of cycling)

This trip is intended for people of normal fitness who have experience of cycling. Cycling is very popular and safe in Rauma, and there are around 150 km of dedicated cycle lanes in the town.

This trip is an easy-going guided tour of the major attractions of Rauma.

We visit Old Rauma, the market place, the Church of the Holy Cross, Lacemaking Corner, new residential and recreation areas, and we meet some locals.



The trip uses new or as-new, easy to pedal single-speed bikes for people between 135-200 cm tall.

The minimum group size is 10, maximum 30 people. For groups of over 15 there will be two guides. The bikes can be delivered to the desired starting point in Rauma. The price of the trip includes the use of the bike, a helmet, the guide and refreshments / tea and coffee with a snack.



MUST-SEE ATTRACTIONS

The Church of the Holy Cross

This impressive church was built for the Franciscan monastery in the late 15th Century and re-established in 1640 as a Lutheran church. The two-aisle church is made of grey granite, and the choir features fresco-secco murals representing salvation history.

Rauma Maritime Museum

This beautiful museum is located in Rauma's old Maritime Academy which was built in 1900. It exhibits the rich seafaring traditions of Rauma. The second floor of the museum is home to the navigation simulator SS Jenny. www.rmm.fi

Rauma's Museums

Rauma's historical museums are located in the Old Town. The baroque-style Old Town Hall (1776) by the market place displays artefacts related to the town's history and lace making. The Neo-Renaissance style Marela museum is the home of merchant and ship-owner families, and Kirsti is an example of a sailor's and worker's home from the 18th and 19th century.

Rauma Art Museums

Small town - big arts. Rauma is famous for art and artists. The town has two art museums; the primary emphasis of the private Lönnström Art Museum is on modern Finnish art, and the Rauma Art Museum in the Old Town mainly exhibits well-known local and national artists.

The Market Square

The Market Square is the heart of Rauma and Old Rauma, and represents an authentic Finnish market environment. It is an important location for the locals to shop or to have coffee and meet friends. Many daytime and evening events are also held at the Market Square.

CULINARY EXPERIENCE

The Lumo organic and local food store in Old Rauma favours local small-producer products such as coffees, beers, sweets, cheeses and meat. The high-quality range of kitchen tools and organically produced textiles, cosmetics and gift items as well as its unique atmosphere make the store well worth a visit.

The traditional dish 'Lapskoussi' (a meat, potato and root vegetable stew) of the sailing ship era is served in some local restaurants.

Part of the market place tradition is getting a **coffee and a doughnut** at the coffee stall; standing in the midst of Finland's most authentic market atmosphere.

UNIQUE EXPERIENCE IN OLD RAUMA

Genuine Rauma lace and a lace-maker at work.

Lace works are available for sale at a number of shops. A lace-maker can be seen at work in the shop named PitsPriia, open every day during the summer with a lace exhibition and wide range of articles and accessories for sale.

Lace jewellery with Rauma lace motifs, local arts, antiques, interior design shops and many other speciality shops & boutiques.

Julkkis-Galleria ('The Celebrity Gallery'); gallery of fun caricatures by famous Finnish caricature artist Teuvo Salminen including heads of state, European monarchy, film stars and other internationally known people.

FUNKY UNIQUE SHOPS IN OLD RAUMA

Valtava Kääpiö ('The Huge Dwarf'); things you didn't know you needed

Tapuliina; things from recycled products, such as jewellery

Pikkusuutarin sekatavarapuoti; ('The Little Cobbler's General Store') shoe repairer and shop

Kahvila Soppi ('Soppi Café'); vegetarian dishes and locally produced goods

PORT INFORMATION

Pilot station	e-mail: pilotorder.west@finnpilot.fi order from:www.pilotorder.fi West Coast VTS	Meeting point	North Entrance N 61°10'5" E 21°15'3"
South Entrance	N 61°07'5" E 21°10'4"	VTS channel 9	+358 (0)44 7934700
Finnish Chart	Chart 41 or BA Chart 3415 Admiralty Pilot NP 20	Fairway channel	Width water level 120m
Distance	South 14NM, draught 10m North 7NM, draught 7,5m	Tide	No

Time restrictions	No	Air draught	No restriction
Ice period	December 15th - April 15 th	Port open	all year
Berth	Several, Nr.7 205m and draft 10m	Height of quay	2.2m
Anchorage	Max vessel: Lenght 225m, Draft 10.0m, Beam 30m	Port charges	According to tariff
Tugs	Yes	Bunker	Yes
Garbage disposal	24 h advanced notice is needed to use port waste handling	Ships handler	Yes
Customs/Immigration	Yes	Website	www.portofrauma.com

Public Information

Local population	40 000	Taxi	Yes
Coaches	Yes	Guide service	Yes
Shopping	Town centre, 2km	Emergency	Hospital
Airport	50 km to Pori 90 km to Turku	Contact	+358 (0)50 5293003 pekka.oivanen@rauma.fi matkailu@rauma.fi
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