

Aholansaari

- The Island of Peace and History

In the heart of Finland's lake district, just a short boat ride from the Tahko resort, lies Aholansaari – an island where nature, culture, and serenity come together. This charming island is full of stories that take you on a journey through Finnish history and the spirit of summer. The boat trip from Sääskiniemi pier is part of the adventure – with the breeze, sparkling water, and the island rising on the horizon, your visit begins long before you arrive.

Aholansaari was once home to Paavo Ruotsalainen, a 19th-century farmer and spiritual leader. His humble cottage, Paavo's Cabin, is now a fascinating museum. Nearby, you can visit the summer vicarage of Reverend Kleofas Hyvämäki and an impressive outdoor wooden church with 800 seats – both reflecting Finland's deep traditions of faith, community, and craftsmanship.

Today, Aholansaari is both a cultural heritage site and a holiday retreat. Visitors can enjoy delicious meals in the island's restaurants and also stay overnight surrounded by beautiful nature.

Aholansaari is a perfect summer escape a place to breathe, find inspiration, and experience Finnish nature and culture at their finest. In winter, Aholansaari transforms into a peaceful snowy haven. Cross the frozen lake on a ski track, stop at the cozy café on the ice trail, and experience the true Finnish way of embracing nature's silence.

Bookings & price (summer)

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Starting price 26€/ person including ferry transportation and lunch on the island.



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LOCATION: TAHKO, KUOPIO

Traditional Karelian Pie Experience at Kivennapa Resort

Discover the old art of making tasty karelian pies! Hearty and delicious, this pastry has been made in the region for centuries and is an important part of Finnish cultural and gastronomic heritage. In this experience you get to master the art of making karelian pies with our guidance. Kivennapa is a piece of old Karelia in the middle of Lakeland Finland Savo and Karelian pie is a traditional Karelian salty baking.

We will also tell you about our Kivennapa family history from the old Karelia area until this day. Learn how to roll "pulikka" with us! Pullikka is a traditional wooden rolling pin for making karelian pies with hands! We are able to organize everything lactose free. Please tell us advance.

Experience includes

- All material for making karelian pies: Rye dough, flour, rice porridge
- Traditional beverages sourmilk and homemade beer and egg butter
- Our guidance and Karelian history of our family

Opening hours & prices

By appointment year-round

Duration: 1.5 hours

1–10 persons: 340€

Additional persons: 31€/ person

Coffee/tea: 3€/ person

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Kivennapa

Language: English

Accessibility: Fully accessible

Parking: Free

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