



Saariselkä Northern Lights Village, Toddler and Young Children



HOLIDAY TYPE: Toddler and Young Children
VISITING: Finland

BROCHURE CODE: 18060
DURATION: 3 nights

In Brief

Grab your snow boots and wrap up warm as you step into magical Lapland. Make everlasting memories with your loved ones at the enchanting Northern Lights Village Saariselkä. There's plenty to do and see from meeting cuddly huskies to playing in the powdery snow.

Our Opinion

“ There’s nothing more magical than a family holiday to Lapland. Our little one had never seen snow like this before, and the reindeer experience was really special. We were fortunate enough to capture the Northern Lights multiple times throughout our stay. I’ll never forget the look on my daughter’s face. ”



What's included?

- **Flights:** Return flights to Ivalo (via Helsinki) from London (other regional options may be possible, depending upon availability)
- **UK Airport Transfers:** Return transfers to/from London airports (within 50 miles).
- **Airport Transfers:** Return airport transfers in destination.
- **Accommodation:** Tailorable duration, indicative pricing is based on a family of 4 sharing a glass-roofed Aurora Cabin
- **Meals:** Half board
- Exclusive Activities Abroad Adventure Pack
- Aurora alert service which you can set to alert you throughout the night or end at a specific time
- Cold weather clothing for the duration of your stay
- Fully qualified guides and instructors during activities
- 24/7 assistance from our UK based operations team and in destination support from our local partners

Trip Overview

With just a short transfer from Ivalo airport, Saariselkä is ideally located at the edge of an idyllic winter wonderland in Northern Finland. It is a particularly outstanding destination for young families as the town is only a short walk from the accommodation, so despite being north of the Arctic Circle, you have a comforting mixture of modern convenience and serene winter wilderness. This family-focused trip is specifically designed for you to relax and enjoy quality time with your loved ones in one of the world's most striking destinations.

Imagine your little one's face as they cuddle one of the loveable husky puppies at a nearby kennel. You'll have the chance to take lots of photos to capture these precious moments and ask the friendly musher all about these special dogs and what life is like for these animals in the Arctic. During your stay, you'll get up close to one of Lapland's most renowned creatures on a short reindeer ride. Nestle with your loved ones in the inviting sleigh and wonder at the enchanted wilderness around you.

The beauty of this holiday is that you can choose additional activities you would like to take part in, as well as having the option to add on extra nights. The majority of activities

start on-site and are fully guided by knowledgeable, local experts who are there to ensure that you enjoy the experience safely. Explore the fells via snowmobile or laugh at dad as he attempts to learn how to cross-country ski. Glide over the pristine snow snuggled up together in a cosy sleigh to the gentle sounds of pattering paws with a team of adorable huskies, or unravel the mysteries behind the silent, winter forest during a guided snowshoe walk.

Activities are not restricted to the daytime with long winter nights offering fantastic opportunities to seek out the Northern Lights. A night-time adventure is particularly captivating for little ones who simply love being allowed to stay up later than usual, but imagine then witnessing flickers of dancing colours before the Aurora becomes more pronounced and lights up the sky.

Very few places offer the chance to stay in an Aurora cabin for the duration of your trip. The comfortable, glass-roofed cabins lie on the outskirts of the village with an outlook of deep winter snow. Imagine cuddling under a star-studded sky from the luxury of your own bed listening to a bed-time story whilst keeping an eye out for the magical Northern Lights. These are memories that will last a lifetime.

Conveniently, the village itself is only 1000 metres away from the town which offers an array of amenities, including shops and restaurants.

Simply put, Saariselkä is a special destination and an ideal base for families looking to discover the mysteries of the Lappish wilderness. The 'Narnia-esque' terrain is bound to capture the imaginations of both adults and children alike and any Auroral displays will leave you with memories to last a lifetime.

Family & Child services and amenities

Note: some services require a supplement

- Close to Saariselkä village which offers a supermarket, souvenir shop, and plenty of restaurants
- Close to Saariselkä Ski & Sport Resort. Private ski, snowboarding and tobogganing lessons available
- On-site reindeer paddock
- Kid-friendly buffet
- Kids' Snowmobile track
- Mini Toboggan run
- Ice Karting track
- Play area
- Car seats available (pre-order)
- High chairs available

Agenda

Please note the order of activities is subject to change

DAY
1

ARRIVAL, TRANSFER AND WELCOME

The friendly team at Northern Lights Village can't wait to give a warm welcome to you and your family. Upon arrival at the airport, you'll be transferred to the resort and given time to check into your Glass Roofed Aurora Cabin. Settle in to your cosy home for the next few nights and prepare to be captivated by the charm and mystery of Finnish Lapland.

Included Meals: Dinner

DAYS
2 TO 3

RELAX AND ENJOY THE HOTEL'S FACILITIES AND SURROUNDINGS

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY
4

DEPART OR EXTEND YOUR STAY

Sadly, your stay in Saariselkä's wintry wonderland has come to an end. Your friendly driver will take you back to the airport for your return journey home.

Included Meals: Breakfast

Included Accommodation



Saariselkä Northern Lights Village - Toddler and Young Families (Nights: 1-4)

Included Room Type

Glass-roofed Aurora Cabin

Imagine snuggling up together and watching the Northern Lights dance across the night sky from the comfort of your bed. All cabins face north and have a switch to operate a heat function should the glass be covered by any snowfall. Within 5-10

minutes, your view will be clear once more – no need to venture out into the cold!

Each cabin has twin beds (which can be made into a double) and a sofa bed. There is a shower room with underfloor heating and a toilet (please note that the hot water is limited

in the cabins). Tea and coffee making facilities, a hairdryer and a minibar are also included.

Restaurants

Saariselkä's cosy and luxurious restaurant offers an abundant buffet serving mouth-watering local flavours and special delicacies from Lapland and the Barents Sea regions. Breakfast consists of a selection of hot and cold items from smoked salmon and scrambled eggs to cold cuts of meat and hearty frankfurters. The kids will love the array of pastries and pancakes and there's plenty of fresh fruit to keep up your 5-a-day. The evening menu changes daily and offers a variety of dishes including delicious plant-based options such as vegetarian lasagne and halloumi and beetroot patties.

Good to know facts about hotel

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- 23-minute drive from Ivalo Airport
- Average flight time from the UK – 5.5 hours including connection in Helsinki
- Buffet Restaurant and bar
- Saariselkä village is a 20-25 min walk
- Sauna, hot tub and ice pool
- Close to Saariselkä downhill ski resort featuring 15 slopes in total (10 of these are floodlit), 6 lifts and even a 1.8km tobogganing track
- 80 cabins in total

The Specifics

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

The minimum age for this holiday can be found in the 'Key Facts' section of the holiday overview.

Younger family members may be able to participate but may not be able to take part in all activities. Please contact one of our Travel Experts if you have any questions.

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.activitiesabroad.com/booking-conditions>

Please note: our payment and cancellation terms will be unique to each booking - they will be confirmed with you at the time of quotation. The terms listed above are noted as a guide only