

PUUMALA ARCHIPELAGO TOUR

It is possible to cycle around Lietvesi, part of Lake Saimaa, by following a 60 km route. The journey by boat covers an additional distance of 10 km.

A You may choose to start from the centre of Puumala and cycle along the main road 62 towards Imatra. After the Puumalansalmi bridge, turn right onto the Kotienementie road. Go straight on for about a kilometre and then turn onto the Kitulanniementie road, which links up with the Luukkolantie road. This beautiful route, known as the Puumala archipelago way, encompasses 20km of asphalt roadways winding through 11 islands, crossing two bridges and going via the Hätinvirta cable ferry towards Lintusalo and the waters of the Ringed Saimaa seal "Nestori Miikkulainen.

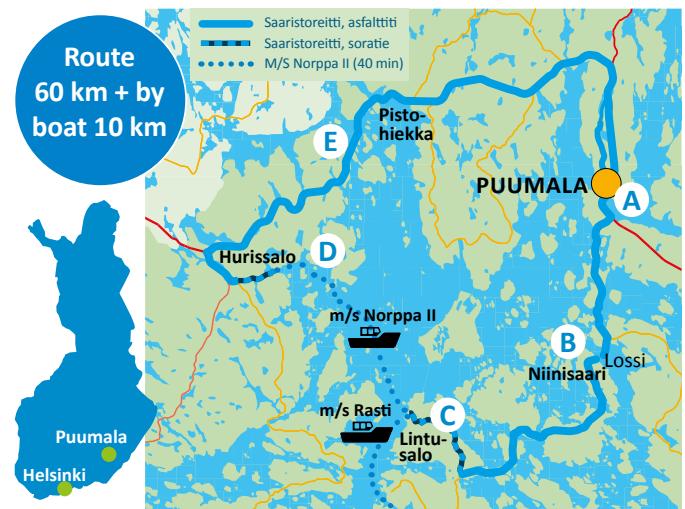
B Along the way, it is worth stopping off at the Niinisaari archipelago village or climbing up to the lean-to on Säkkimäki hill, which is the highest point in the archipelago.

C You may want to visit Nestorinranta B&B, where you could stay overnight or stop for a coffee. You can also rent a canoe or a rowing boat from Nestorinranta or Hanhiniitty and take a day trip to see the ponds and sandy beaches on Ro-

kansaari island, which is only 5km away. With a little luck (particularly in May) you may see a Saimaa ringed seal on the way. The m/s Norppa II takes you and your bike from Nestorinranta to Hurissalo. The boat transportation (about 40 minutes) across the Vetojako strait should be booked in advance www.matkahuolto.fi Search Huri-salo laituri – Lintusalo laituri.

D After the ferry crossing the journey continues in Hurissalo towards the village shop and cafe. Did you know that Hurissalo is the 3rd largest inland island in Finland? Along Main Road 62, you could head down the Saarijärventie road: impressive boulders can be found 2km from the main road in an area known as Rakokivet. Close to Rakokivet, Guide-Tiina (at Piennimentorppa) rents out canoes and kayaks for day trips, enabling you to enjoy the rugged landscapes of Linnunpäänselkä.

E The Lietvesi kiosk and look-out point offer cyclists a scenic resting place before they reach Pistohiekka. The scenic Lietvesi route (5km) ends at the fabulous beaches of Pistohiekka Resort. Sahanlahti Resort offers a wide range of services and is located about 10km away. The final 8km leads to the Koskenselkä Holiday Village or to the centre of the village. Enjoy your trip!



Distances:

Helsinki 300 km
Mikkeli 70 km
Lappeenranta 100 km
Savonlinna 80 km
Tampere 335 km

WELCOME!



PUUMALA ARCHIPELAGO ROUTE SAIMAA



NATURE AND GEO-ATTRACTONS ALONG THE PUUMALA ARCHIPELAGO ROUTE

A RAKOKIVET ERRATICS

Giant granite boulders form a magnificent cave system. Signs from route 62.

B HAUKKOVUORI

The Haukkovuori escarpments rise 81m above the surface of Saimaa.

C LIETVESI SCENIC ROAD AND PISTOHIEKKA

Lietvesi is typically Saimaa north of the Salpausselkäs: the labyrinthine watercourse is punctuated with rocky islands and intersected by stretches of eskers, remnants of the ice age. Pistohiekka's sandy beaches are perfect for swimming.

D LOKETONONKALO

The Loketonvuori fissure is 10-13 meters deep and 70m long. The distance from Pistohiekka along Honkajoentie is approx. 5km. At Saarijärvi there is a sign and a path to the right.

E SAHANLAHTI

Sahanlahti is a versatile tourist center with harbour services and a beach for swimming, too. There used to be a water-driven sawmill in the area - now you can cross the rapids on a charming wooden bridge.



G ELSA HEPORAUTA PATH

22KM

The path is accessible from Sahanlahti or Hylkeenlahti. The route goes around the Torikonjärvi lake and there's a lean-to, outhouse and a campfire area.

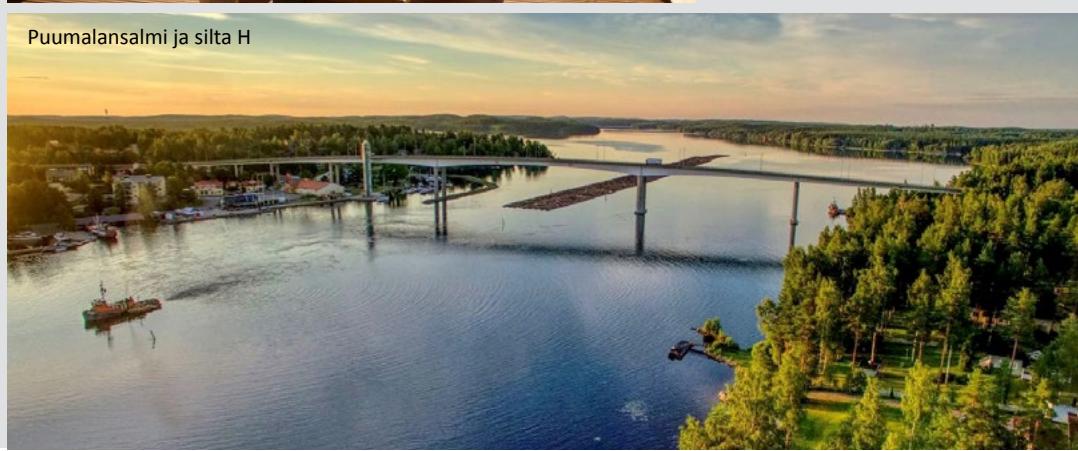
H PUUMALANSALMI AND BRIDGE

Puumalansalmi is crossed by the 4th longest bridge in Finland from which Saimaa's labyrinthine features are clearly visible. This was caused by bedrock fault zones, where the bedrock is more fragmented than the surrounding bedrock. During the ice age, the eroding continental ice sheet transported rock material from these fault zones, which made them deeper than the surrounding environment. Nowadays many of these fault zones are under water.

Norppapolkku shelter, Kaivanto K



Puumalansalmi ja silta H



I SALPALINJA

Salpalinja is a 1200km long line of bunkers that was built in 1940-1941 and 1944 to defend the eastern border of Finland. The bunker in Puumala is the no.4 accommodation bunker for 20 men. There is, for example, crew space, a well and a machine gun emplacement in the bunker. The bunker is located in Puumala center, Pappilan tie 2.

J KUKKEISTENPOLKU 10KM

K NORPPAPOLKU 13KM

L KERMINHIEKKA

M ROKANSAARI

Rokansaari esker island is dominated by kettle ponds and various shore features, such as beach banks and ridges. They were formed during Saimaa's various stages. There are trenches which were dug into the sandy ground during World War I, as well as a Stone-Age dwelling site. Rokansaari is a popular harbour www.saimaanvirkistysalueyhdistys.fi

N SUURISUO

Suurisuo is a largely natural area of around 100 hectares, whose rocky forest islets and pools increase its landscape value. There was a moss factory working in Suurisuo from 1925 until the beginning of the 1970s.



Tupavuori F



Loketontonkalo D



Rokansaari M

OKKOLA WELLNESS TRAIL 1,5KM (see number 4)

The 1-5km woodland trail is meant for walking and recreation. The trails begins in Okkola, near the Niinipuu Restaurant.

O SÄKKIMÄKI

The highest hill of the southern archipelago is Säkkimäki (133m above sea level). There used to be a Russian-built triangulation tower dating from 1912 on the top of the hill. Now there is a lean-to and a campfire site.

NESTORIRANTA THEMATIC TRAILS 1-3KM (see numbers 10 & 11)

Four different paths that can be combined. Along the paths are activities to tempt your senses. The paths are accessible from both the beach and the main building.

P KRISTUKSENHAUTA

Rectangular fissure 3 meters deep and 11 meters long in the rock at Karkia, Luukkola. Location: N=6811563.072, E=568656.058

Not all attractions have signs.

The sites are marked on the overleaf map by letters:

A Saimaa Geopark sites

A Other nature sites

PUUMALA VILLAGE

BIKE SERVICE

Väri- ja vapaa-aika Tiusanen
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TOURIST

INFORMATION & WIFI

Keskustie 14, +358 50 562 0706
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HARBOUR INFORMATION KIOSK

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Härkösentie 4, +358 15 468 1180

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www.ravintolasatama.com

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GLASS STUDIO & SHOP LASIRUUSU

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APARTMENTS PUUMALAN-SALMI

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SILLA SHOP – SOUVENIRS

Keskustie 8, www.silla.fi

TEBOIL PUUMALA

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HEALTH CENTER

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www.lakelandgte.fi

SERVICES ALONG THE ARCHIPELAGO ROUTE

- Accommodation, cottages
- Restaurant, café

- Shop, kiosk
- Activities & rentals

1. LOMA-AUTIO

Loma-autiontie 29
+358 40 752 6910
www.loma-autio.net

2. LAPPALAISEN LOMAMÖKIT

Petäjäniementie 395
+358 50 367 1595
www.lappalaisenlomamokit.net

3. CANOE CAMP LAAJALAHTI

canoeing, bike rentals
Luukkola, +358 40 157 9490
www.finn-active-travel.com

4. OKKOLAN LOMAMÖKIT & RESTAURANT NIINIPUU

Metso-hyvinvointipolku,
pyörävuokraus. Ylössäarentie 35
+358 500 259 378, www.okkola.fi

5. HANHINIITYN PAJA & SAIMAA CANOEING

Canoeing, kayaking, bike rentals,
smithy & shop. Ylössäarentie 84
+358 50 548 7653
www.hanhiniitty.fi
www.saimaacanoeing.fi

6. METSÄSYDÄN

Junninmäentie 53
+358 50 570 3565
www.metsasydan.fi

7. LIIMATTALAN LOMA

Härkösenrannantie 5
+358 45 638 7297
www.liimattalanloma.fi

8. LINTUSALON LOMAMÖKIT

Lapinsalmentie 39
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www.lintusalonlomamokit.com

9. LINTUSALON KOULUN MÖKKI JA TUOMO REPOSEN MÖKIT

Repolantie 596,
+358 50 520 3954

10. NESTORINRANTA

Restaurant, café, boating
services, bike rental, wellness
paths, coin laundry. Lintusalontie
1661 A, +358 40 510 6208
www.nestorinranta.fi

11. LAKESIDE PANCAKE CAFÉ

see number 10



BIKE FERRY NORPPA II

11. LINTUSALO

Rapeikko Nestorinranta
Lintusalontie 1661 A

12. HURISSALO

Kivilahti, Hurissalontie 390

BOOK IN ADVANCE

www.matkahuolto.fi search
Lintusalo laituri / Hurissalo laituri
Route info visitpuumala.fi

13. KIRVESNIEMEN LOMA

Kyllölänsaarentie 144
+358 45 315 1252
www.kirvesniemi.fi

14. HURISSALON SALE

Village shop, café, petrol sale
Hurissalontie +358 15 2062 230

15. HURISSALOTALO & SUMMER THEATER

Hurissalontie 175, Hurissalo
www.hurissalo.fi

16. PIENNIEMI TAIGA

Wilderness & Wellness Guide
Tiina. Canoeing & rentals,
excursions, accommodation,
sauna, sheep. Rakoviventie 270
+358 500 380 032
www.spiritguidesaimaa.com

17. REPOSEN LOMAMÖKIT

Jännientie 437
+358 500 651 509
www.reposenlomamokit.fi

18. LIETVESI KIOSK & CAFÉ

Lietvedentie,
+358 40 500 4403

19. MÖRKINAHO SUMMER CAFÉ

Heiskantie 5,
+358 45 678 5432

20. B&B RAKEL LAAMANEN

Rokansalontie 1435
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21. RIIMUKIVEN TILA

Café, handicrafts
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22. PISTOHIEKKA RESORT

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4849, www.pistohiekka.fi

23. PISTOCAMP

Camping +358 440 340 021
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24. SAHANLAHTI RESORT

Restaurant, lakeside bar, hotel,
cottages, sauna, bike rentals.
Lietvedentie 830, Puumala
+358 10 508 3500
www.sahanlahtiresort.fi

25. KOSKENSELÄN LOMAKYLÄ

Camping, cottages, sauna, café,
bike rentals. Koskenseläntie 98
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www.koskenselka.fi

26. MANNILANNIEMEN LOMAKYLÄ

Mannilanniementie 169
+358 41 5340 051
www.mannilanniemi.com

27. LIEHTALANNIEMI

Museum farm & nature path
Ylössäarentie 205
+358 50 562 0706
www.visitpuumala.fi

28. CAFÉ NASKALI

Imatrantie 731
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29. RUOKOTAIPALEEN LAVA

Dancing pavilion
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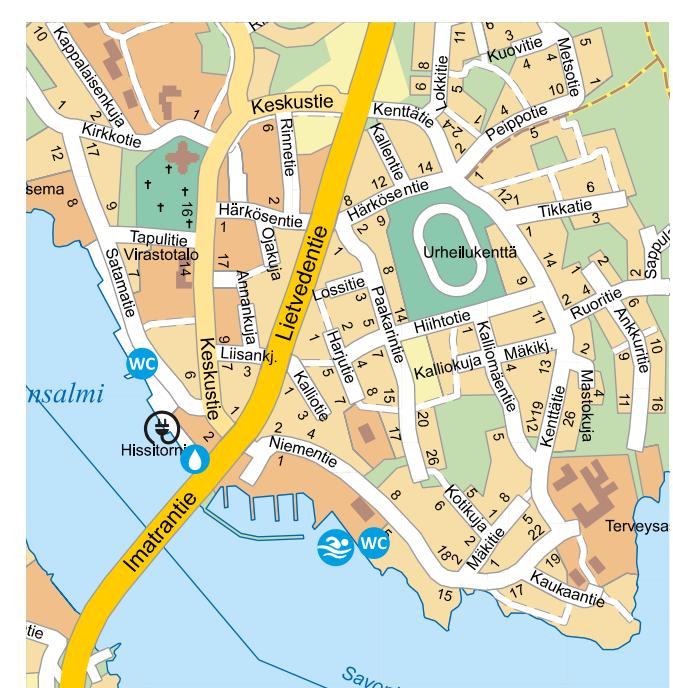
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12.00–12.20, 17.00–17.20,
20.00–20.20



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