



# NEW YEAR IN WILD TAIGA

*Hotel Kalevala - Magic and Traditions*

**Valid: 27.12.2024-2.1.2025**

The beautiful scenery covered with a mantle of dazzling white snow, the crackling frost and the magical winter darkness create a special atmosphere for the New Year's celebrations. Wild Taiga is dominated by taiga forests, frozen lakes and its misty blue hills, area is one of Finland's best known regions for guaranteed snow fall throughout the winter season.

On the New Year's Eve, we will celebrate with a special Gala dinner before watching fireworks and raising a toast for the New Year.



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**Wild taiga**  
*Kuhmo & Suomussalmi*

# Itinerary:

## 27.12. ARRIVAL DAY

- Arrival to Hotel Kalevala, check in.
- Welcome drink and dinner.

## 28.12. HOLIDAY BEGINS

- Breakfast
- Guided Kalevala snow games: Let's get to know each other in the spirit of fun winter races! On these playful competitions you need co-operation skills, imagination and lots of joy.
- Lunch
- 2 hour snowshoe tour along taiga forest and frozen lake.
- Evening sauna with indoor and outdoor jacuzzis, dinner.

## 29.12. SLEIGH DRIVES

- Breakfast.
  - You get a chance to enjoy husky, reindeer and snowmobile sleigh drives.
  - Lunch
  - Free afternoon for optional activities
- Optional: Meet Santa tour. Santa Claus has a residence in Kuhmo and after a busy Christmas he is now well rested and welcoming guests to see his office.
- Saunas with jacuzzis, dinner

## 30.12. SNOWMOBILING

- Breakfast.
- Approx. 1 h snowmobile safari
- Lunch
- Free afternoon for optional activities or visit Kuhmo centre

## 31.12. NEW YEARS EVE

- Breakfast.
- Transfer (15 min) to Lentuankoski rapids. White throated dipper is a small bird, that spends it's winter at rapid, diving to the water even in most freezing temperatures! Lets go together to observe and photograph this brave bird! Hot juice and snacks are served by open fire.
- Transfer back to hotel for lunch.
- Evening sauna with jacuzzis.
- Tin casting in the lobby, the tin will tell your future for next year.
- New Year Gala Dinner.
- Live music/DJ & dancing. Later, just before the midnight, moving to the terrace for the countdown and fireworks. The party then continues inside the bar with dancing until the early hours.

## 1.1. NEW YEAR 2025

- Brunch
- This is a day for resting, optional activities like husky safaris, ski tour, rapid swimming or you can rent ski set or snowshoes and explore the area on your own.
- Evening sauna with jacuzzis.
- Bus transfer to New Year Concert at the Kuhmo Arts Centre.
- Dinner.

## 2.1. GOOD BYE FINLAND

- Breakfast and check out



Hotel under Northern lights



Dinner table



Wellness department

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## Price/person:

Double/twin room	1579 €	159 €
Single room	1699 €	179 €
Superior double room	1869 €	175 €
Suite	1939 €	199 €

## Extra night with full board:

Children 4-12 years 50% of adult price (if 2 children or more, in family room with two rooms, interconnecting door)  
Children 0-3 years free of charge (baby cot, baby bed or extra bed)

### Including following services:

- 6 night accommodation in chosen room type
- Full board with breakfasts, soup lunches, 5 x half board dinners, 1 x New Year Gala dinner, welcome drink on arrival
- Daily evening sauna and use of indoor and outdoor jacuzzis
- Guided snow game competitions
- 2 hour snowshoe tour
- 1 hour snowmobile safari
- Guided tour to Lentuankoski rapids
- Traditional tin casting, fireworks, live band/DJ
- New Year's Day Concert
- Free use of kick-sledges, toboggans, Wi-Fi

### Extra charge for:

- Return transfer from Kajaani airport 140 €/person
- Thermal overall (suit, hat, gloves, boots, socks) 75 €/week or 25 €/day. Must be booked in advance with clothing and shoe size information.

### Few tips:

- Possibility to add extra days or shorten the program
- Please take a look at list of optional activities; husky safaris, cross country skiing, ice-fishing, rapid swimming etc.
- Also wellbeing treatments are available: worth trying is definitely our peat sauna and traditional Finnish bone setting. After these two try also herbal jacuzzi and classical massage..
- For those who are interested also in history and culture we have plenty to offer: Winter War Museum, Juminkeko - cultural centre for Kalevala - national epic of Finland and Karelian culture, Petola Nature Centre with exhibition of Finland's large carnivores (brown bear, lynx, wolverine, wolf) and many exhibitions in the town.

### Good to know:

All the activities are guided in English. Package price does not include personal travel insurance. We might split our guests into smaller groups for activities to guarantee the best experience to everyone. We reserve all the rights to change the order or content of the program if necessary due to weather conditions or safety reasons.



Snowshoeing



Outdoor jacuzzi



Peat sauna

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