

**EXPERIENCE
THE AUTHENTIC ARCTIC**



HOTEL UTSJOKI

Lapland, Finland

WELCOME TO UTSJOKI!

Utsjoki is the northernmost municipality in the European Union. It is also the only one in Finland where the majority of the population are native Sámi.

With just 1.5 hour drive to Inari and 1 hour to the Arctic Sea, Utsjoki is at a central location in Northern Lapland. Lemmenjoki National Park is a 2-hour drive away.

The town of Utsjoki spans the banks of the mighty Teno River, one of the best salmon fishing rivers in the world. The river also forms the border between Finland and Norway.

Being located over 450 km north of the Arctic Circle, Utsjoki is in the true Arctic. Between May and July, the Midnight Sun shines for 73 days straight, and between November and January, the Polar Night lasts for 51 days. In the dark season, called kaamos, Northern Lights illuminate the snowy fells.



ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotel Utsjoki is located in the heart of the town of Utsjoki, between the Utsjoki River and the mighty Teno River. The famous Ailigas fell can be seen right behind the hotel.

Hotel Utsjoki was first built in 1959, just one year after the first road to the area. Before the road was built, the village had been accessible only by boat. As the first hotel in the area, Hotel Utsjoki gained legendary status and became the beating heart of the area.

Renovated and relaunched, Hotel Utsjoki welcomes you to embrace it as your base camp to the Arctic.



Hotel Utsjoki offers 22 cosy, recently renovated rooms with a bathroom, as well as 5 fully equipped fishermen's cabins with kitchen and 4 beds in each.

The hotel features a permanent exhibition of famous Finnish photographer and ethnographer Samuli Paulaharju, as well as Sámi artefacts and clothing. Upcoming temporary exhibitions and concerts can be seen on our website.

We accommodate events in our three conference halls.

Our traditional sauna is located on the bank of the Utsjoki river.

Breakfast, lunch and à la carte dinner are served in the 100-seat restaurant, which has a beautiful view of the surrounding nature. Dining and meal preparation can also be arranged around an open fire in our traditional style kota.



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Santa Claus is a frequent visitor at the hotel.

ACTIVITIES

The unique nature of Northern Lapland provides opportunities for plenty of activities.

In **Kevo Strict Nature Reserve** there are various marked trails, the longest of which 86 km long. The area is a prime habitat for rare birds. The heart of the nature reserve consists of a canyon spanning 40km in length and in places 80m in depth, at the bottom of which flows the Kevo River.

Rent a **snowmobile** and discover wintry landscapes. Observe reindeer herding, or try a **reindeer sleigh ride**.



The **Utsjoki parish village and the Utsjoki stone church** are a fascinating historical site, with signs of early settlement dating back to the prehistoric era. The church was built upon the commission of Nicholas I of Russia. The village huts are owned by Sámi families and were inhabited up to the 1930s.

Siida, the National Museum of the Finnish Sámi, is at an arm's reach as well in nearby Inari, a 1,5-hour drive away.



In summer, go **fishing in the Teno River**. Teno has a reputation of being one of the best salmon rivers in the world, but it is also host to plenty of other fish, such as brown trout and grayling. According to the locals, the best fishing spot in Utsjoki is right next to the hotel in the Utsjoki river.

Do a day trip to **whale watching or King Crab fishing** in the Arctic Sea. Utsjoki is right at the border with Norway, and the Arctic Sea is 1,5-hour drive away.

In winter, try ice fishing in the fell lakes. All fishing activities can be arranged guided and tailored to your needs and interests.

In autumn and winter, let the Northern Lights illuminate your stay in Northern Lapland.



The nearest **airport** in Finland is in Ivalo with daily direct flights from Helsinki. The nearest airports in Norway are at Kirkenes and Lakselv. The nearest **railroad** terminus is in Rovaniemi, which has a direct coach link to Utsjoki.

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