



Iso Syöte

Fjell Top Cottages

Sitting on top of an Ostrobothnian Fjell is the village of Iso-Syöte, cloaked throughout winter in deep white snow and with breath taking views of a landscape littered with snow laden conifers and frozen mires, the product of centuries of transformative use by forestry, farming and reindeer husbandry.

At the village's heart is the Iso-Syöte Hotel with its panoramic view restaurant, swimming pool, saunas and bar. Both the hotel and our selected cabins offer welcoming warmth and comfort at the end of each day's adventures by husky, snowmobile, reindeer and your meeting with Father Christmas.

FJELL TOP COTTAGES

Built to a high standard and set alongside the hotel proper there is a collection of unusually spacious 2 storey Fjell Top Loghouse Cottages. Each has a spacious living room, fireplace, private WC & shower room, private sauna, drying cupboard and open plan kitchen equipped with coffee maker.

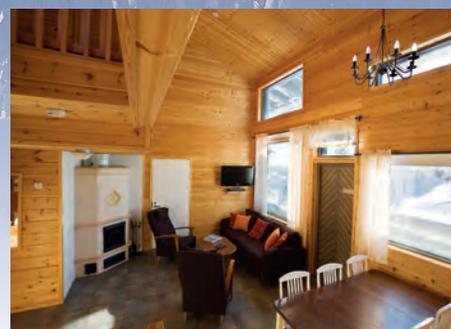
There are three twin bedrooms, one on the ground floor and two on the second, where there is also a second shower/WC. A safety gate is positioned at the top and bottom of the stairs.

ACCOMMODATION

✘ Fjell Cottage (3-8 persons)

Interconnecting cottages available

✘ Hotel Rooms (1-2 persons)





AROUND AND ABOUT

Outside the hotel is a wonderful snowy playground waiting to be discovered. Situated near the hill top summit, the slopes and surrounding ski tracks allow for hours of endless exploration with the added benefit of knowing that the warmth of the hotel is only a short cut away.

Try your hand at snow shoe walking or simply frolic in the snow with a toboggan and the endless energy needed to drag yourself back up the hill before whizzing back down again.

If the snow is too much for you then there is always the opportunity to take a sauna and dip in the refreshing swimming pool. Alternatively why not relax in the bar area with a hot drink or something stronger before settling down for the night.





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Fjell Fun with Father Christmas



Day 1

Iso-Syöte

Leave from London Heathrow on a scheduled flight to Oulu (via Helsinki) located on the edge of the Arctic Circle. On arrival travel by private coach to Iso-Syöte, a snow-clad fjell on the edge of the Syöte National Park.

Head straight for your cottage which has been specially decorated for your arrival (we have also arranged for a small welcome pack of tea, coffee, hot chocolate, sugar and milk for your use). You will also be provided with thermal clothing. A buffet supper will be served in the hotel restaurant - remember to keep an eye out for the enchanting northern lights through the windows.

Day 2

Father Christmas & his Reindeer

After breakfast, your guide will give you instruction and a safety briefing on how to drive a snowmobile. Adults will drive in pairs, taking it in turns to steer through the surrounding landscape. The children are wrapped up beneath reindeer skin rugs and pulled on a special sleigh behind the Lapp guide.

Wind down the fjell across frozen mires and lakes to a clearing in the forest where games have been set up for you to have fun in the snow, in the midst of the surrounding wilderness. There is the simple art of kick sledding and snow shoeing to master, as well as mini-snowmobile rides for the children - you could possibly also try your hand at ice-fishing.



Rudolf and his reindeer friends will also be waiting to be introduced to you and you will have the opportunity to take a relaxing ride on one of Santa's sledges.

A welcoming hearty lunch will be served in the Kota, with its roaring log fire to keep you snug and warm out of the cold.

During this time each family will be invited to make a secret pilgrimage to a cabin - barely visible in the woods. A knock on the door reveals Santa's secret hideaway, as well as the man himself. The rest is hush-hush until you meet him, but it is safe to say it will be a magical encounter. Families may be split to allow time for tobogganing before and after the visit to Father Christmas. Return to Iso-Syöte by snowmobile in time for cookie decorating and baking. If there's time, you can take a sauna or splash in the hotel pool before a traditional buffet supper in the restaurant.

Day 3

Huskies and a Shaman's Magic

Today you are heading off by snowscooter to the husky farm. On arrival meet and make friends with a pack of excitedly barking huskies. After the customary cuddling, mush your way along a trail marked out on a pure white blanket of snow, with only the sound of the sleigh's runners to break the silence of the winter air.



Out of nowhere you will catch the beat of a drum breaking through the frosty silence. This announces the arrival of the Shaman who formally greets you with a demonstration of his centuries old mystical powers, the details of which are a carefully coveted secret.

Enjoy lunch at the pirtti of the husky farm before heading back to the hotel by snowscooter. Help the children to find a Christmas tree outside to decorate, or take a dip in the pool. Dinner will be a traditional festive buffet served privately for the group, where you will be joined by a very special visitor - Santa coming to wish you a safe journey!

Day 4

Bring back the memories!

There may be time for a quick toboggan before check-out and transferring to Oulu airport in time for your scheduled flights back to the UK.





DEPARTURE DATES

14th - 17th December 2018

Adult: **£1785** per person
Child: **£1475** (aged 3-11)

17th - 20th December 2018

Adult: **£1785** per person
Child: **£1475** (aged 3-11)

20th - 23rd December 2018

Adult: **£1975** per person
Child: **£1595** (aged 3-11)

Prices are 'from' and are subject to availability.

