Welcome to the Southeast!
Pyhtää offers a vast range of activities. The fascinating Kaunissaari Island, the hikers and skiers’ favourite – Valkmusa National Park – and the Sirius Sport Resort are sure to raise your pulse rate.

Kotka is the most beautiful of seaside cities. Established where the River Kymijoki meets the sea, this city has long traditions in seafaring. Kotka city centre is situated on an island. The City Port, dripping with the atmosphere of the past, is located on the northern shore of Kotka.

Hamina is Finland’s oldest garrison town. Due to its location, it has also been of great military importance. The city’s 360-year history can be appreciated by exploring the city centre’s circular town plan and fortifications.

Virolahti has the most authentic natural setting in the Southeastern corner of Finland. The region is animated by its busy border crossing point and the associated services. Virolahti is an ideal spot for bird watching, due to the avian mass migration routes directly above it.

Miehikkälä offers a beautiful rural landscape and Finnish military history in a single package. The municipality is crossed by the Salpa Line – a defensive line from the Second World War. Finnish military history can be explored along the Salpaopku hiking trail, which winds its way along the Salpa Line.
Download the free Southeast mobile guide from the Google Play Store, Windows Store or Apple App Store, using the searchword kaakko135 and select the route of your choice from the wide selection. Route information is also available on the internet.

See the following address for further information on mobile routes and more precise downloading instructions www.southeast135.fi/mobile
Temporary exhibitions in the Maritime Centre Vellamo and Maretarium

**Sights and surroundings**

You should have seen this!

**MARITIME CENTRE VELLAMO**

- **27.3.** 1715. Battle for the Baltic Sea. Power struggles and court splendour. Sailors in the maelstrom of war.
- **4.12.2015–** The Great Coastal Road. From Coastal Road to motorway. In addition, a colourful play area for children and small exhibitions on local themes.
- **19.4.–4.9.** Majestic Monotony. Sebastien Leclercq & Tasha Doremus, photographs of contemporary maritime transport in Finland
- **4.5.–3.7.** Das Meer - The Sea. Graphics, photographs and mixed technique work from Greifswald, the twin city of Kotka
- **13.5.–11.9.** Faith, Hope and Love – Sailor Tattoos. The Swedish Maritime Museum’s exhibition on the history and present day of seafarer’s tattooing.
- **8.7.–31.7.** Point of View. Jubilee exhibition of Visual Arts Education of the Repin Institute.
- **5.10.–6.12.** Antarctica. Photographs by Arno Rautavaara

**MARETARIUM**

- **8.8.–30.11.** Traces. Paintings and video paintings by Mäkis Sakala

**Maritime Centre Vellamo, Kotka**

Sapokankatu 2, Kotka
+358 40 311 0330
info@maretarium.fi
see opening hours: www.maretarium.fi

At Maretarium, Finnish fish species are displayed in a unique, life-like aquarium setting. Almost 60 species of fish and small aquatic animals can be viewed. In addition to familiarising yourself with pike, tench and gudgeon, you can explore a nature photography exhibition, watch nature films, engage in activities in the nature school, enjoy lunch in the cafe and buy souvenirs from the Meripuoti Shop. In the summer, a diver feeds the fish in the Baltic Sea tank daily at 3 pm. The aquarium provides learning experiences and entertainment for the whole family.

**Temporary exhibitions at Maritime Centre Vellamo and Maretarium**

€ 10/6
free entry for under-18s
free entry Wed 5 pm – 8 pm
Museum Ice Breaker Tammi closed in summer 2016

Maritime Centre Vellamo is bursting with maritime and local stories, experiences and events. With one and the same ticket, you can tour the exhibitions of the Maritime Museum of Finland and the Museum of Kymenlaakso. You can experience history in many ways: listen, watch, sniff, feel, play and game. Things to see and do for all ages, all day long. The Museum Shop Plootu, Restaurant Laakonki and the summertime outdoor exhibition complete the scene. Welcome to the home port of stories!
Salpa Line Museum, Miehikkälä

Säästopinttie 70, Miehikkälä
+358 44 383 5091
matkailu@miehikkala.fi
May–Wed–Sun 10 am–6 pm,
June–Aug Mon–Sun 10 am–6 pm
Sep–Wed–Sun 10 am–6 pm,
groups by reservation throughout the year
www.salpakeskus.fi

The main exhibition includes an indoor exhibition with multimedia and an outdoor exhibition covering several hectares. You can explore the fortification equipment at the museum site along guided routes threading through rugged, rocky forest terrain. The price of admission includes a guided tour of the outdoor exhibition area during museum opening times. A café and museum shop offer their services in the museum’s service facilities. A restaurant service is available for group reservations. The museum also offers a range of options for recreation days, excursions, meetings and celebrations.

€8 for adults
€5 for children (7–16 years old), conscripts, students, senior citizens, the unemployed
€16 family ticket
(2 adults and children under 17 years of age)

Bunker Museum, Virolahti

Vaalimaa 331B, Virolahti
+358 40 710 7343
matkailu@virolahti.fi
June–Aug 10 am–6 pm,
and at other times upon request
www.salpakeskus.fi

Find out about the builders and various stages of construction of the Salpa Line, which begins in Virolahti. Experiences for all the senses: include a walk through the dim trench- es and a look inside the dugouts with their tarred timber. At the museum, you can also arrange meetings and employee wellbeing days for your group. The museum café, Cafe Bunkeri, is located in the building.

€6 for adults
€3 for children (7–16 years old), conscripts, students, senior citizens, the unemployed
€12 family ticket (2 adults and children under 16 years of age)

Hamina Town Museum, Hamina

Kadettikoulunkatu 2 B, Hamina
+358 40 199 1201
museo@hamina.fi
Sep–May Wed–Sun 12 noon–4 pm, Mon– Tue closed
Jun–Aug Tue–Sun 10 am–6 pm, Mon closed

In the summer of 1783, Russian Empress Catherine the Great and Carl III, King of Sweden, held negotiations in ‘Catherine’s Palace’ built around 1760. The museum moved into the building in 1957. It includes an exhibition on the history of Hamina and various temporary exhibitions. 25.9.2015–22.3.2016. Who was who in 1800s Hamina? –The stories behind the costumes of Haminan Hyväät Asukkaat and, 1.6.2016–29.1.2017, Pearls of the manor – the women involved in manor life in the Hamina region.

€2/0/0, €5 combined three-museum ticket

Don’t miss these!

HAUKAVUORI LOOKOUT TOWER
Keskuskatu 51, Kotka
Women belonging to the Lotta Svärd organisation watched the skies during the Second World War. The 72-metre tall tower now offers visitors amazing views over Kotka and the eastern archipelago of the Gulf of Finland.

AVIATION MUSEUM
Lentokentäntie 234, Kotka
The only aviation museum in Kymenlaakso was created when members of the Karhula Flying Club had the idea of preserving old gliders. The special mission of the museum is to preserve the heritage of Fighter Squadron 34, which operated from Kymi during the war.

THE PACKAGE MUSEUM
Harjuntie 111, Pyhtää
Located in an old red wooden cottage next to the former Stockfords groundwood mill, the Package Museum presents an interesting collection of packaging and paper products from the 1900s. Open by agreement.

THE STRUKA LOCK
Suluntie, Pyhtää
Finland’s only operational hand-operated lock, which provides direct access to the sea. The dam and lock were built in the early 1900s, at an old salmon fishing spot once used by monks, to serve traffic running to and from the Stockfords factory.

Langinkoski Imperial Fishing Lodge Museum, Kotka

Kesärinmajantie 118, Kotka
+358 50 304 2604
info@langinkoskimuseo.com
www.langinkoskimuseo.com
May–Sep daily 10 am–4 pm,
Jun, Jul and Aug daily 10 am–6 pm
Closed on Midsummer Eve and in winter

Come and enjoy this royal atmosphere! The museum presents the holiday retreat of Emperor Alexander III and his family, and their lives at the Langinkoski Imperial Fishing Lodge in The Grand Duchy of Finland in the early 1890s.

€2/1/0, €5 combined three-museum ticket

Shopkeeper’s Museum, Hamina

Kasarminkatu 6, Hamina
+358 40 199 1201
museum@hamina.fi
June–Aug Tue–Sun 10 am–4 pm
otherwise during exhibition seasons, by group reservation

Completed in 1841, the wooden building housing the Shopkeeper’s Museum is of high value in terms of its cultural history. The museum presents Finnish-Russian retailing traditions from the early 1900s. Part of the outbuilding is open to the public. 16.3.–27.3. Easter exhibition, 1.6.–31.8 Summer exhibition, 30.11.–31.12. Christmas Exhibition.

€6 for adults
€3 for children (7–16 years old), conscripts, students, senior citizens, the unemployed
€12 family ticket (2 adults and children under 17 years of age)

Group reservations:
Kymenmatkat Oy
+358 5 211 1600
kotka@kymenmatkat.fi
€6 for adults
€5 per person
(forgroups of at least 10 people)
€3 for children (6–14 years old)

Don’t miss these!

How, exactly, did the Emperor spend his holidays? On the shores of the River Kymijoki and at the Langinkoski rapids in Kotka, fishing peacefully and enjoying the wonderful natural landscape!
Hamina’s city centre, based on a unique circular town plan, is one of the region’s most fascinating sights. Visitors can enjoy a broader view of the City of Hamina and its history from the ramparts of the fortifications surrounding the city centre. The outward pointing corners of this star-shaped fortress’s outer walls form six bastions named after the six Finnish citadels of the time: Helsinki, Hamina, Savonlinna, Lappeenranta, Hämeenlinna and Turku. The largest of Hamina’s bastions is the central bastion built in 1803–1811. Its 58 casemates (reinforced vaults) were originally designed as bomb-proof storage areas.

Hamina’s unusual circular town plan was created by Axel von Löwen in 1722–1723. Built in 1789, the Town Hall is the centre point of the circle.

Don’t miss these!

**SAVUKOSKI BRIDGE, AHVENKOSKI**
When completed in 1928, the bridge at the point where the River Ahvenkoski joins the River Kymijoki was the world’s only ferroconcrete, single-joint, rigid-frame humpback bridge. This renovated bridge and its surroundings form the old frontier between Sweden and Russia.

**STOCKFORS GROUNDWOOD MILL AREA, PYHTÄÄ**
The construction of this historical factory precinct began in 1902. An area of cultural historical value, Stockfors provides a setting for a variety of enterprises and events.

**ALVAR AALTO’S SUNILA, KOTKA**
In the period 1930–1940, Alvar Aalto designed a fascinating architectonic whole, whose centre point is the Sunila pulp mill, which was built in 1936.
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Finland’s biggest maritime festival invites you to join the celebration!

Events and culture

Spend the whole day at the Hamina Tattoo!

Hamina Tattoo 1.–6.8.2016

The Tattoo will be packed with unmissable events located within walking distance of each other. Enjoy a spectacular free concert in the Summer Park, the Tattoo parade at Raatihuoneentori and shopping on the Tattoo street! The Tattoo Club will offer a daily programme for both children and adults. Get in the mood with the best in jazz at the Jazz Palace. Fall in love with ye olde courtyards at the fortress, which will open their gates to the public during the festival. Tattoo-week will culminate in impressive march shows at the event arena of the Hamina Bastion. The city also hosts lots of other events, ranging from markets to art exhibitions – Spend the whole day at the Hamina Tattoo!

Southeast Chamber Music, 13.–16.7.2016, Virolahti

Southeast Chamber Music is a newcomer to Finland’s summer classical music events. The artistic director of Southeast Chamber Music is the principal conductor of the Finnish National Opera, Jukka Merjanen. A wide range of anniversary events will be held during the festival week. You are warmly welcome to the heart of the celebrations!

Kotka Maritime Festival 28.–31.7.2016

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Children’s Maritime Festival 29.–31.7.2016

The Children’s Maritime Festival has been held in connection with the main festival since 1983. It includes plenty of things to do which will keep children busy, as well as various musical and theatrical performances. The Children’s Maritime Festival programme is completely free of charge and will be held at the Toivo Pekkanen school and in various venues around the city.

Summer Sounds Folk Music Event, Miehikkälä 2.–3.7.2016

Miehikkälä Kotiseutuviikko (Local Area Week) and Pelimanni suvisoitot (Summer Sounds Folk Music Event) 27.6.–3.7. During the week an amateur event, music course and art camp will be held. On 2–3 July, the week will culminate in the Pelimanni Summer Sounds Folk Music Event.
Pyhtää’s maritime market offers a wide selection of fish, to eat or to view in preparation demonstrations. You can buy fish and many other products to take home, including a wide range of local produce.

Guided Tours, Kotka and Hamina

Kotka: 5.5, 2.6 and 4.8, 12 noon–1 pm Market Day guided tour of Kotkansaa Island; 28.6–19.7 Tuesdays 6 pm–7 pm guided walking tour; 20.6–1.8 Mondays 5 pm–6 pm children’s guided tour of Katarina Seaside Park in the company of Joe Jordan, leaves from: Katarina Seaside Park parking area; on Wednesdays, in July, sea cruises around Kotkansaa Island from Sapokka, organised by MeriSet. Hamina: 4.5–31.8. Wednesdays at 6 pm guided walking tour, Hamina

Kymijsen Lohisotito Music Festival 8.–12.6., Kotka and Pyhtää

The Kymijsen Lohisotito Music Festival was heard for the first time in the Kotka Marketplace 20 years ago! Since then, it has toured the local region offering a range of musical experiences and entertainment. The festival has succeeded in bringing together a fantastic milieu, music and audience. Urban and cultural historical city milieus, churches and unique island destinations have served as the festival’s concert arenas.

Virolahti Anniversary Year 2016

In 2016, the municipality of Virolahti will celebrate its 680-year milestone, the 250th year of Virolahti’s main church and the 200th anniversary of Harjun Hovi’s main building. For the latest on the anniversary events, see the related web page!
1. 6.8. HAMINA TATTOO, Military Music Festival
2. 4.8. MONTHLY MARKET, Kotka Marketplace
3. 6.8. DAY FOR WHOLE FAMILY
4. 6.8. OPEN DOORS AT KYMI AIRPORT
5. 6.8. THE RIVER KYMIJOI DAY, Kotka, Pyhtää
6. 11.–13.8. TRADITIONAL HARVEST MARKET, Hamina
7. 12.8. RAATHUONE 24
8. 12.–13. AUGUST NIGHTS, Hamina Bastion
9. 12.–13. DARK RIVER FESTIVAL
10. 14.–21. PYHTÄÄ WEEK, Pyhtää
11. 18.–20. AUGUST EVENINGS, Mansion music in Hamina, www.elokuunilta.com
12. 19.–20. PYHTÄÄ ARCHIPELAGO MARKET
13. 27.8.–19.7. GUIDED WALKING TOURS ON TUESDAYS
14. 6–7 PM KOTKA
**Kotka City Theatre**

Keskuskatu 15, Kotka
Reservations and inquiries during the performance season +358 5 234 4199 Tue–Fri 11 am–5 pm and 2 hours before performances
keitseripuutokiotka.fi and Tiketti

The Kotka City Theatre presents a variety of musical theatre and quality drama. As well as in the theatre itself, productions are presented at the Kairo harbour restaurant. The programme includes all the charm, laughter, excitement, and powerful emotions of musicals. Programme details: www.kotkanteatteri.fi

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**Tall Ships Races 2017, Kotka**

After a ten-year break, the International Tall Ships Races will return to Kotka, Finland, in the summer of 2017. The competition will bring large sailing ships to Kotka City Port on 13 July 2017 and their journey will continue towards Turku on 16 July. Up to 100 sailing ships from around the world will call in at the harbour during the competition. Further details on the event will be published in the spring of 2017, but all lovers of sailing should mark the dates in their calendars now!

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open year round
www.santalahti.net/en

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In addition to accommodation, the region’s campsites offer an unbeatable choice of things to do, from mini golf and nature trails to relaxing sauna evenings. Or how about a night in the beautiful, historic setting of a manor house?

Don’t miss this!

You can enjoy a short stay in the country yard surroundings of the Moronvuori Day Trip Hut in the Valkmusa National Park.

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Accommodation

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Fish treats

Fish delicacies form a natural part of the cuisine of the Southeast. The sea and rapids have provided fresh catches to be enjoyed since time immemorial. If you visit the Southeast, don’t miss local smoked salmon, which you can buy ready to eat from restaurants such as Restaurant Wanha Fiskari. How about an ocean delicacy that you caught yourself? In the Southeast, you can enjoy any type of fish that swims in Finnish waters!

Local grill delicacies and sausages

A number of master butchers, each trying to be the best, have gathered in the region. Several firms offer a range of high quality meat dishes, which have also enjoyed international success – local sausages have swept the board of prizes for five years in a row in a tough sausage-making competition in England.

See you at the market place!

Market places are thriving in the Southeast. In local markets you can meet friends, chat over morning coffee and buy local products. And don’t forget the filled, fresh, local doughnuts on offer, known as ‘piggy doughnuts’ or ‘posso’. Small markets can be found in each municipality during the summer and major market events include the Traditional Harvest Market, Hamina; the Kotka Fish Market; the Keihässalmi Summer Market, Pyhtää; Little Markets of Little Villages, Miehikkälä; and the Klamila Fish Market, Virolahti.

Local products

Fish is always local food in the Southeast – you can buy fresh fish practically straight off the boat from commercial fishermen, or in the conventional way from a fishmonger. On the other hand, the Seppälä Sheep Farm produces high-quality lamb, while paying special attention to animal welfare. Delicious wild berries, honey and a range of vegetables – including organic produce – are grown in the Southeast. There are several bakeries and pastry shops from which you can pick up mouth-watering bread and sweet treats. During Virolahti Week, you can enjoy the local delicacy, hapanvelli (sour gruel), every day!
Mereta Oy is a service company from Kotka whose local entrepreneurs spare no effort in making sure that every Finn is well fed. Our boys and girls give a 100% promise of individual and delicious experiences, both during the working week and on special occasions. Mereta has several restaurants in Kotka and on Kaunissaari, Pyhtää.

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Restaurant Laakonki handles all food and beverage services on behalf of Maritime Centre Vellamo. A cup of coffee with Finnish sweetbread between enjoying a stroll, a sip of wine as a break from sightseeing, services for a large seminar or an office party – all under the same roof close to the sea in the ruggedly attractive City Port.

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Kapteeninkatu 9, Kotka, +358 5 227 6750, captains@sijo.fi
www.karaokebar.net/captainskaraoke
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Karaoke bar Albatross, Kotka
Kustaankatu 2, Kotka, +358 5 215 403, albatross@sijo.fi,
www.karaokebar.net/albatross
The Albatross is a small and cozy karaoke restaurant by the market square in the heart of Kotka. You can sing karaoke or just come and listen. We renew our range of several thousand songs on a regular basis, so that karaoke fans can sing the latest hits as well as classics! A sunny terrace is open in summer!

Karaoke Bar Sportti Pub, Kotka
Kotkankatu 12, Kotka, +358 5 216 668, sporttipub@sijo.fi
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Kotka’s first, full-day karaoke restaurant opened right in the city centre in 1995. Sing every day, from morning to night. A continuously changing selection of over 3,300 karaoke songs. Customers both young and old will love the experience we offer and find plenty of good company. We also show several TV sports channels. In summer, a small sun terrace is open at the front of the bar.

Players Sports Bar, Kotka
Keskuskatu 11, Kotka, +358 10 763 5940
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Restaurant Aura, Virolahti
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Finns have been enjoying Rosso’s pizzas, pasta and steaks since 1978! We also have a children’s menu and play area. Hesburger is known for providing flavours enjoyed by all. Hamina’s Rosso and Hesburger are located in the S shopping centre next to the market square.

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Kosken Brau, Kotka
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koskenbrau@gmail.com, www.koskenbrau.fi
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Lounashuone Kustaam, Hamina
Lunch on weekdays from 10.30 am to 2 pm, and at other times by reservation. Ideal for family gatherings and meetings, licensed premises. Sibeluvuori 28, Hamina
+358 50 571 3125, myynti@lounashuone.fi, www.lounashuone.fi

Raati Cafe Kaneli, Hamina
A café-restaurant with a licence to serve alcohol.
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+358 40 199 1298, raati.cafe@pp.inet.fi

Lounas-Kahvila Tervasari, Hamina
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+358 40 138 1240
tarja.hietenan@kolumbus.fi, www.lounaskahvilatervasari.com

Tilausravintola Olkihattu, Virolahti
An atmospheric restaurant in a converted old stone barn at the heart of Kaakon Golf. Meetings, celebrations and programmes. Säkäjärventie 204, Virolahti.
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Restaurant Vaakkku, Kotka
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Moliendo Cafe, Kotka
A trendy cafe-restaurant in the centre of Kotka. Lunch served on weekdays at 10.30 am–3 pm. Deli salads, Wiener pastries and cakes. Licence to sell alcohol. Keskuskatu 17, Kotka, +358 10 3240220

Korkeakosken Kalastuskiveari, Kotka
An atmospheric cafe-restaurant on the banks of the River Kyminjoki. The restaurant has a beautiful view over the river and fishing pier. Lunch is served every day! Kyminjoentie 55, Kotka, +358 40 732 8080, kalastuskiveari@live.fi, www.kalastuskiveari.fi

Tuliikkuko Beach Pavilion, Kotka
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Kotka’s National Urban Park

Kotka is one of eight national urban parks in Finland. Its special features include downtown parks, river and sea creatures, as well as an architectural heritage spanning the industrial age and the history of the local fortress and military defences. Kotka includes the coastal areas of the Eastern Gulf of Finland, city parks and quarters, as well as the banks of the River Kymijoki all the way to Korkeakoski and Siikakoski. The area covers around 2,400 hectares.

Sapokka Water Garden Kotka

The Sapokka Water Garden has won more awards than any other park in Finland. Water, stone, lighting and varied greenery formed the basis of its design, as did the idea of one park containing several smaller ones without disturbing the harmony of the overall impression. Due to its variety of microclimates, from strong heat to deep shade, it has a broad range of labelled plants, some of which are highly exotic. An exhibition of the lifework of internationally acclaimed Artist Professor, sculptor Eero Hiironen, will be held in the Sapokka Water Garden and Gallery Uusikuva in June-August 2016.

Kotka’s Sculpture Promenade

The Sculpture Promenade is a large outdoor gallery in which, during both festivals and ordinary days, the sculptures come to people rather than the other way around. It’s ‘backbone’ is formed by the Linden Boulevard running parallel with Keskuskatu, whose renovation earned it a national environmental structure award in 2001. The Sculpture Park won the Pro Sculptura medal of the Association of Finnish Sculptors in 2004.

A brochure is available on Kotka’s parks!

Jokipuisto Park, Kotka

The park’s key themes are the river, its extremely high-level, environmentally friendly construction, its impressive name-labelled seating, its sculptures and the meandering, burbling stream which feeds the lily pond with river water and crowns the park. Water lilies of various colours bring splendour to the pond. The park also has picnic tables with barbecue facilities and a playground especially for small children.

Herb garden, Redoubt Kotka, Kotka

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Tammio, Hamina

In its day, Tammio was the most southerly outer island village in Hamina. Its natural landscape is formed of glaciated and rocky shores and shoreline meadows. The island is still inhabited year-round. Housed in an old fishing hut is a local museum devoted to life in the archipelago (open in the summer). In summer, a scheduled boat service runs from Tervasaari in Hamina.

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Sea and archipelago

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Kaunissaari, Pyhtää

With its shoreline storehouses and boatsheds, this lush island has a historic atmosphere. In the summer, the island bursts into flower. The island has a shop, café and restaurant, as well as a beautiful archipelago. Gallery Mari has an exhibition of summertime art. Boat services to Kaunissaari island run from Sapokka harbour in Kotka several times a day, from June to August. The island also has a well-equipped guest harbour. www.kaunissaari.fi

Ulko-Tammio, Hamina

Ulko-Tammio is a magnificent island belonging to the Eastern Gulf of Finland National Park and full of natural beauty. It will charm even the most demanding hiker. The island’s rugged shoreline rock faces and lush vegetation are beyond compare. With its varied and large bird populations, the Ulko-Tammio area is also an ideal spot for birdwatchers. The museum guns and a cave which served as a troop shelter during the Second World War reflect the military history of the region. Boat services will take you to Ulko-Tammio from June to August, departing from Tervasaari in Hamina.

Varissaari – Fort Elisabeth, Kotka

Directly off the coast of Kotka, this island is quarter of an hour from the mainland. It has a summer restaurant and small swimming beach with barbecue facilities. You can explore the island’s history on a signposted trail.

Rankki and Kirkonmaa, Kotka

Kirkonmaa and Rankki, the tourist islands of Kotkan Saaret Oy, offer a wide range of tourism services. Both islands have guest harbour, restaurant and accommodation services, as well as a wide selection of activities. The island of Rankki has around 30 buildings and a large number of fortifications and strongpoints. Read more: www.kotkansaaret.fi
Lehmäsaari, Kotka

Lehmäsaari island is located on the coast of Kotka approx. 5 km from the port of Sapokka. The terrain includes beautiful sandy ridges. A landing stage is located on the east side of the island in the mouth of the bay. Large boats can also enter the harbour. There are 30 guest docks. The island has a nature trail bordered by long sandy beaches. The draft is 0.5-3 m and 30 buoys have been installed to guide boats. The nearest port is Sapokka in Kotka. You can reach the island by a scheduled motor boat service. Source: Kyvi.fi

Kukouri, Fort Slava, Kotka

Kukouri is one of the fortress islands off the coast of Kotka. Fort Slava – its redbrick, circular fort – was completed in 1794. Some of the blasted rubble has been repaired and the wooden gate now resembles its original form. The island has a few berths for pleasure craft. Fort Slava is one of the outer bastions of the Svensksund (Ruotsinsalmi) sea fortifications. Gustav III began the island’s fortification after the war in 1792 and the fort was completed in 1794. The fort is characterised by its perfectly round shape, which makes it the only one of its kind in Finland.

Haapasaari, Kotka

Haapasaari is around one and a half hours from Kotka by boat. The island has a shop, summer kiosk guest landing stage and a 19th century church and school. During the summer, the school building hosts art exhibitions and the Nature Information Hut of Metsähallitus. The island has a regular boat service in the summer and year-round commercial traffic. The Haapasaari Society website includes information and pictures from the island’s past and present, as well as Haapasaari’s services, see www.haapasaira.seura.fi

The Majasaari-Nuokot islands, Hamina

The Majasaari-Nuokot islands provide the ideal setting for hikers in all seasons. Majasaari is a great place for longer-stay campers in particular. The Majasaaren Maja building functions as a guide centre for the group of islands. Berths are available on the eastern shore of the island, which has a pier – where a regular boat service calls – and a breakwater with berths. On the islands, mooring places can be found on the rocks and a floating service platform. There are currently no public cruises to the islands, but they are an amazing destination for pleasure boaters sailing off the coast of Hamina.

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The River Kymijoki

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Canoeing

Canoeing combines the enjoyment of exercise with breathtaking nature. The excellent canoeing routes of the River Kymijoki offer powerful currents, the serenity of still water, enchanting landscapes and unforgettable experiences. Pre-planned routes ensure the comfort of both beginners and more experienced canoeists. Companies which specialise in rapids tourism offer ready made, packaged canoeing trips of all levels, which can include meals and sauna bathing. Canoes are for rent on site and guides can accompany canoeists upon request.

Fishing

Local services and the outstanding fishing sites provided by nature make for excellent fishing with the fly or lure, for long as well as short fishing trips. The River Kymijoki is arguably the best salmon river in Southern Finland, with thousands of salmon and sea trout swimming upstream each year. Try out river or sea fishing in magnificent natural scenery. Embark on a fishing safari with a guide or make your own trip with a friend. You can rent fishing supplies, enjoy a dining experience and stay in a log cabin or sample the luxury of a hotel. Buy your fishing licence www.kalastusluvat.net and enjoy a worry-free fishing experience. Explore: www.lohikeskuskotka.fi

The River Kymijoki Siikakoski area and at Langinkoski, Kotka from 8:00 am to 6:30 pm.
Organizer: Kotkan Perhokalastajat Ry

With its shoreline forests and meadows, the River Kymijoki offers stunningly unique and unforgettable natural beauty. Admire the scenery from the river while quietly paddling in a canoe, or at greater speed while riding the rapids in a rubber raft. Finland’s longest river route offers excellent fishing spots for anglers. Together with the River Korkeaoski, the River Siikakoski is one of the most popular stretches with the best chance of a catch. The picturesque Kultaankoski rapids are a magnet for freestyle paddlers; rapids swimmers can throw themselves into the current and be literally carried away. Per- noonkoski in Kotka is the biggest set of free-flowing rapids in terms of its drop in altitude and is one of Southern Finland’s best whitewater rafting spots.

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Valkmusa National Park, Pyhtää

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Southeast nature trails

The Salpa Trail passes along the shores of Virolahti and Miehikkälä, while partly winding through Finland’s old defence line. There are plenty of bunkers and fortifications to view along the route. The Portimo Trail in Hamina offers a varied landscape enriched by dry heath forest and mixed forest areas, with lakes, ponds, lookout towers and campfire places along the route. The Santalahti nature trail has two routes: a wooded nature trail and a coast trail, from which you can see all the way to the Russian Suursaari island in good weather. The Valkmusa duckboard leads through a large mire area with a distinctive, marshy landscape that distinguishes it from other trails in Southern Finland.

Ski trails and skating

The Southeast offers unbeatable opportunities for skiing, with trails of many levels in both urban and peaceful natural settings.

Skiing events:
• 20.2. Kotka Skiing Event, Laajakoski, Honkala
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Cycling trails

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www.salpavaelius.net
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See p. 8 for more details on the Salpa Line

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A PICTURE of Kotka city centre. The Pasaati Shopping Centre is located in the central block in the picture. Over 60 businesses are located in Pasaati! Older people know the block as the ‘Liiton lenkki’ or ‘Liitsi’ for short, which means ‘Union path’, after the union outlets located in the block.
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VIROLAHTI
Virolahti summer market in the courtyard of the Municipal Hall from June to September on Saturdays from 9 am-11 am, and on Midsummer Week and Midsummer Eve. Klamila Summer Market by Uuno Klammi Road on Fridays from 6 pm to 7.30 pm, except Midsummer week.

MIEHIKKÄLÄ
Miehikkälä summer market in the market square in the centre of the church village on Fridays 3.6. – 2.9. and Midsummer week, Thurs 23.6.
2016 is the Pertsa and Kilu theme year in Kotka.

Factories in the region are closing and working life is in transition, but the region still has a future. Pertsa and Kilu are so much more than the main characters of an adventure book; they sum up the straightforward, bold and enterprising nature of the people of Kotka, and their faith in the future.

Using the voices of young people and under the guidance of professionals, the Kotka Youth Theatre and Kotka City Theatre will co-produce Pertsa and Kilu, to be performed on the Kotka City Theatre’s Naapuri stage in April. The production is scripted by Tommi Auvinen, who wrote the original TV series, Pertsa and Kilu. You can order an adventure tour of the theatre in connection with the performance.

Under the guidance of professionals, the Museum of Kymenlaakso will organise educational theatre based on the same theme, which will be interconnected with the museum’s new permanent exhibition. The educational theatre is intended for families as well as schoolchildren. Drama workshops forming part of the Pertsa and Kilu educational theatre and a ‘rascal tour’ can be ordered from the Maritime Centre Vellamo.

JOE JORDAN JUNIOR TOURS
20.6.–1.8. Mondays 5 pm–6 pm
Children’s guided tours at the Katariina Seaside Park.

JUNIOR TATTOO
31.7.2016 at 12 noon in the Hamina Bastion, entry is free of charge!

The Junior Tattoo will play and move around at the Hamina Bastion! Music as a hobby is good for the mental development of all children, and playing in an ensemble sharpens up the senses and reflexes, while being part of an orchestra is ideal training for later life.

Bring the whole family along to a one-hour, free-of-charge event at the Hamina Bastion and enjoy musical performances by children and young people’s orchestras on the move – this will get your heart pumping. Rantasalmi’s famous brass band and the Rauma Youth Band will be there. The first 3,200 lucky spectators to turn up will fit into the Hamina Bastion. In cooperation with the Hamina Tattoo, Sibelius Academy, Finnish Wind Band Association and Association of Finnish Music Schools.

VIROLAHTI BUNKER MUSEUM BAT PATE
A small bat, Pate, believes itself to be the ruler of the Salpa Line. Your little ones can now join Pate in the Bunker Museum’s outdoor exhibition area for his signposted Bunker tour. Each week during the summer, the Bunker Museum will hold guided tours for children in Pate’s company, and on Children’s Day in June. Bunker Museum, Vaalimaantie 1318, Virolahti

CONCERT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY BY THE KYMI SINFONIETTA
6.4. at 6 pm, Kotka Concert Hall