

## VAASA REGION FOR GROUPS

Tour Suggestions 2025-2026

**EXPERIENCES - HISTORY - NATURE** 



## City tour and Finland's longest bridge

Guided tour in the center of Vaasa and on the barracks area from the 1860s, with a visit to the Orthodox Church. The harbor and cotton factory made Palosaari a district for sailors and workers. Today, it is mostly a campus area for students, where the old meets the new.

In Old Vaasa, we will explore the history of Vaasa and the beautiful Korsholm's Church. The building, designed by Carl Fredrik Adelcreutz and constructed between 1776 and 1786, is considered one of the finest examples of the Neoclassical style in Finland. It was originally a court of appeal.

Lunch at the Strampen restaurant in the Inner Harbor.

The journey continues to Finland's longest bridge, the Replot Bridge, and across the bridge to Replot. A stop at the World Heritage Gateway in the visitor center of the Kvarken Archipelago World Heritage Site.

Afternoon coffee at Restaurant Berny's, located by the Replot Bridge.

**SEASON**: Year-round (Strampen May - December)

**DURATION:** 5 hours

**GROUP SIZE**: minimum 20 people

PRICE STARTING FROM: Mon - Sat 51,50 €/person (Sun 65 €/person)

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE: guiding, lunch, coffee and pastry, program facilitation,

and VAT



#### **Greetings from Space**

After a short city tour, the journey continues to Finland's most beautiful meteorite crater, "Söderfjärden", which today is a fertile enormous round field and, in the autumn, a resting place for thousands of cranes.

At the Meteoria visitors center, we explore the 520-million-year history of the field, from the meteorite's impact to the present-day farmland and Natura 2000 area, through a film and exhibition.

The trip continues to the other side of the crater to Stundars, a large museum and living cultural center in Solf. The area features around sixty buildings that have been relocated from the villages of Korsholm and the Vaasa region. The houses are furnished to reflect the turn of the century at the beginning of the 20th century.

Atop a hill stands a farmhouse surrounded by barns, a cowshed, a storehouse, and a baker's cottage. Simple hillside cottages and workshops contrast with the relative wealth of the farmer's household.

We will explore the area with a guide and enjoy coffee and pastries at Lyckan's café.

**SEASON**: Approx. May - September

**DURATION:** 5 hours

**GROUP SIZE**: minimum 20 people

PRICE STARTING FROM: Mon-Sat 51 €/person (Sun 65 €/person)

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE: guiding, entrance fees, coffee and pastries, program

facilitation, and VAT



## The Golden Grains of the Archipelago

After a short city tour, we head to the archipelago and drive across Finland's longest road bridge. We explore the village of Replot and visit the church (built in 1781). In the 1840s, the church received an altarpiece and a pulpit from the Church of St. Mary in Old Vaasa, and they were thus saved from the fire that destroyed Vaasa in 1852.

In the village of Södra Vallgrund visitors will have a chance to admire and buy handicrafts and delicacies characteristic to the archipelago at Sommaröhallen.

The trip continues to the picturesque Sommarösund Bay, which used to be a sheltered passage for boats but is now, due to land uplift, an idyllic but shallow bay.

Lunch will be served at Restaurant Berny's, located by the Replot Bridge.

**SEASON**: May - September

**DURATION**: 5 hours

**GROUP SIZE**: minimum 20 people

PRICE STARTING FROM: Mon - Sat 33 €/person (Sun 46.50 €/person)
INCLUDED IN THE PRICE: guiding, lunch, program facilitation, and VAT



#### **Group visit to Strömsö**

Strömsö is the filming location of the popular TV program Strömsö. It is a lifestyle show that covers activities to do at home or during leisure time. Strömsö is also the name of the building where the show is filmed.

Built in the 1850s, it is located in a beautiful park setting. The area also features objects created during the program.

Groups can visit Strömsö when the filming schedule and other activities allow it.

Indoor visits to the building are possible on weekdays after 5:30 PM, on weekends, or in July, and are always guided by a tour guide. Outdoor areas can be visited independently.

**SEASON**: Year-round (when the filming schedule allows)

**DURATION**: 1 hour

**GROUP SIZE**: Maximum of approx. 20 people per guide

PRICE STARTING FROM: Mon - Sat 185 €/quide (Sundays 300 €/quide)

**INCLUDED IN THE PRICE**: guiding, access to the building, program facilitation,

and VAT



### World Heritage from Above

Departure from Vaasa towards the archipelago.

We cross Finland's longest bridge, the Replot Bridge, and visit the World Heritage Gateway visitor center.

The Kvarken Archipelago is Finland's only natural site on UNESCO's World Heritage list.

The journey continues towards Svedjehamn, where we explore the area and visit Bodbacka old harbor, as well as the Saltkaret observation tower, which offers a magnificent view of the moraine archipelago — a testament to the immense power of the Ice Age in the Kvarken region (about 3.5 km of walking).

Lunch at Café Salteriet, an old fish salting warehouse.



**SEASON**: May - September

**DURATION**: 5.5 hours

**GROUP SIZE**: minimum 20 people

PRICE STARTING FROM: Mon - Sat 46.50 €/person (Sun 62 €/person)

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE: guiding, entrance fees, lunch, program facilitation,

and VAT



#### Cruise in the Vaasa Archipelago

Before the cruise, we will take a short walk to explore the Inner Harbor and its surroundings.

The cruise will take us through narrow straits, passing by idyllic summer cottages located on skerries and islands. Due to land uplift, the landscape of the Kvarken Archipelago is the youngest in the world.

The landscape is in constant change: new rocks rise from the sea, merging with the mainland and islands.

At Janne's Saloon on Kuusisaari island, in Vaasa's beautiful archipelago, we will enjoy a delicious salmon soup. Afterward, the boat will bring us back to the Inner Harbor.

**SEASON**: May - September (outside regular cruise schedule)

**DURATION**: 3.5 hours

**GROUP SIZE**: minimum 20 people

PRICE STARTING FROM: Mon - Sat 74 €/person (Sun 84.50 €/person)

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE: guiding, cruise, salmon soup lunch, program facilitation,

and VAT



#### Whispers of History - City Tour

The harbor and the cotton factory made Palosaari a district for workers and sailors. Today, it is mostly a campus area for students, where the old meets the new.

On Vaskiluoto Island, you'll find the main harbor, a hotel, and a water park, making it a popular spot for both locals and tourists.

Vaasa Prison and the Orthodox Church of St. Nicholas are part of Vaasa's history. In Old Vaasa, we will explore historical sites dating back to the 1200s, while also seeing how people live in the city today.

**SEASON**: Year-round **DURATION**: 2 hours

PRICE STARTING FROM: Mon - Sat 205 €/guide (Sun 330 €/guide)
INCLUDED IN THE PRICE: guiding, program facilitation, and VAT



## Sauna at a UNESCO World Heritage Site!

Enjoy a Finnish sauna at the World Heritage Gate. The sauna can fit up to 30 persons and features a seawater pool as well as two hot tubs. Snacks and refreshments can also be served combined with the sauna.

The World Heritage Gateway is the visitor center for the Kvarken Archipelago World Heritage Site, where you can explore this unique area, renowned as the best place in the world to experience land uplift following the last Ice Age!

Next to the World Heritage Gateway stands Finland's longest road bridge, the Replot Bridge, which invites you to take a refreshing walk while offering magnificent views of the archipelago.

SEASON: Year-round DURATION: 4 hours

**GROUP SIZE: 1 - 30 persons** 

PRICE STARTING FROM: Sauna 500 €/group

ADDITIONAL SERVICES: Towels, snacks, refreshments according to list price



## Set sail together! Spend an invigorating day at sea

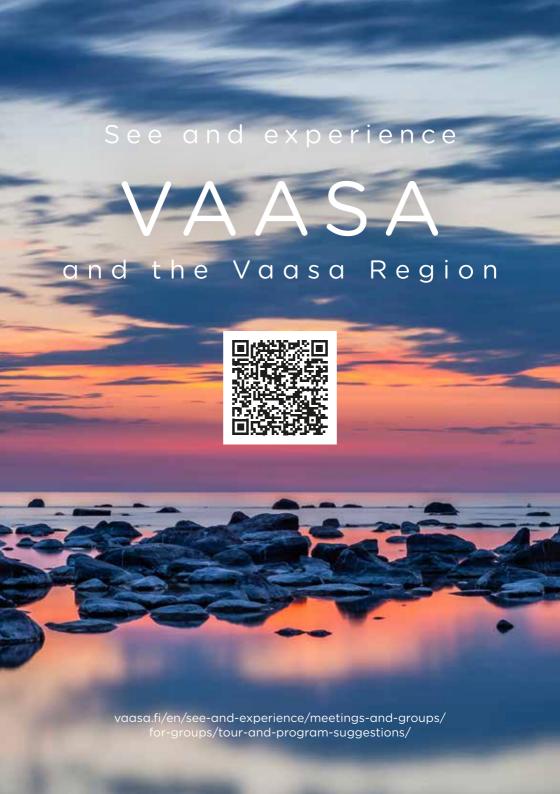
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# The Vaasa region appeals to all the senses

Here, you and your group will discover an interesting area where land meets sea, and history meets the future.

If you are looking for an interesting and versatile travel destination for your group, the Vaasa region is an excellent choice.

The ruggedly beautiful coastline, the UNESCO World Heritage archipelago, lush river valleys, and vast plains.

Add to this the enterprising people, vibrant cultural life, and excellent dining and shopping opportunities, and you have the perfect foundation for creating a tailored package that suits your group.

## Welcome to the Vaasa region!

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