



MÄNTYHARJU.

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With love!

Mäntyharju offers visitors unique nature, culture, traditional family businesses and holiday cottages. Lively in the summer and quietly charming in the winter are the words often used to describe Mäntyharju.

Mäntyharju grew over the years on the border crossing of the three South-Savo tribes.

The current population is less than 6000. The tribal characteristics of the three tribes are in evidence in the current population; laid back Savo, careful Häme and lively Karelian.

Mäntyharju is renowned as Finland's favourite Holiday Home destination. The number of holiday cottages outnumber the permanent homes. The lakeside shoreline is greater area than the length of Finland. With only three cottages per kilometre of shoreline, this leaves room for many more visitors.

The variety of cultural events include the Salmela Art Centre exhibitions, various summer theatres and specialist museums such as Woikoski industrial and motor museum, the museum of log-rolling and the second largest wooden church in Finland.

In 2015 Mäntyharju was voted the top outdoor destination for the Mäntyharju-Repovesi lake tour.

Mäntyharju has also gained international reputation in many fields such as Woikoski gas and pioneering chemical production, sawmill goods producer Veisto Oy, bathroom fittings manufacturer Polaria Oy and cement industry pioneer Suutarinen Corporation.

More details of local services can be found throughout this brochure.

We look forward to seeing you in Mäntyharju. Make it soon!

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Mäntyharju

We are closer than you think!

Mäntyharju is located in the county of South Savo in central Finland and accessed via auto routes 5 and 15 or by rail.

BY TRAIN

Several trains run on a daily basis both from the north and south. Timetables and prices can be viewed on the VR website for the Finnish National Railways and bookings can be made online.

Tickets can also be purchased from automatic machines at Mäntyharju station which is only 450 metres from the town centre.

vr.fi

BY BUS

The bus station is in Mäntyharju centre next to the Minimani Department Store.

Express buses only run on route 5. The nearest stops are at Uutela (13 km from the Centre) and Vihantasalmi (13 km from the centre).

The nearest hop-on bus service for Onnibus is at the Vihantasalmi stop (13 km from the centre).

matkahuolto.fi
onnibus.com

BY TAXI

To book a taxi call 0601 100 36 (calls cost 1 euro/call +local network charge or mobile phone charge).



USEFUL LINKS

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• DISTANCES

- Helsinki 200 km
- Jyväskylä 132 km
- Kouvola 87 km
- Kuopio 205 km
- Lahti 100 km
- Lappeenranta 100 km
- Mikkeli 45 km
- Pietari 295 km
- Savonlinna 147 km
- Tampere 225 km



Enjoy nature!

Off road cycling!

There is one signposted route for Off Road Cycling starting in Mäntyharju to Repovesi National Park. The track offers a versatile route through a typical Finnish forest. For beginners, the village track in the cultural historic centre is recommended. (mantyharju.fi/mantyharju-in-english)



MÄNTYHARJU-REPOVESI

The route has both easy and more challenging sections. The first part is suitable for those with less experience. The hiking and cycling routes overlap in places. Follow the blue markings on trees and signposts. Mäntyharju section is approximately 22 kilometers and terminates in Mouhu. The track extends to the Kouvola area. You can cycle on all hiking tracks, except on the west side of Pitkäjärvi, which is rough and littered with rocks. The hiking track can be narrow, sloping and slippery in places.

Varied Terrain, Magestic Scenery

The Mäntyharju side has a constructed Off Road Cycling Track. Most of the Kouvola side is sand, but there are some more technically demanding, but ride-able sections. The Pitkäjärvi hiking section has at least three areas where bikes have to be carried.

Starting Point

Liikuntahalli Kisala
Urheilutie 1, 52700 Mäntyharju

THE KIRKONKYLÄ ROUTE

This is the easy one for the beginners. The first part, approximately 2 km, is on a hiking route, then turning to the right into the forest to follow the narrower off road track. The forest section before the Uutela shelter is easy, with some up and down sections ideal to practise bike control.

From Uutela shelter turn right from the direction of travel and continue along the sandy road until the next junction, where you ride through Partiotaipale and Kyröntie back to Mäntyharju. On your return ride through the old center and Mäntyharju Village.

Resting places

- Uutela shelter, 3 km from the starting point

Places to visit and services

- Uutela shelter, 3 km from the starting point
- Mäntyharju church
- The Village kiosk
- Art center Salmela and restaurant Kesäheinä
- Old vicarage museum site
- Services available at Mäntyharju center

Starting point

Liikuntahalli Kisala
Urheilutie 1, 52700 Mäntyharju





SAMMALINEN TOUR

This is an off road track to Sammalinen where you return to Mäntyharju and your starting point. This route has some demanding hilly sections, but is not technically difficult. The pathway is 1,5 metres wide and forward visibility is excellent. However, good control is required if you are to make the most of the swooping terrain.

Resting Places

- Uutela shelter, 3 km from the starting point
- Sammalinen wigwam, 6 km from the start

Places to visit and services

- Mäntyharju church
- the village center kiosk
- art centre Salmela and ravintola Kesäheinä
- Old Vicarage museum
- services available at Mäntyharju center

Starting point

*Liikuntahalli Kisala
Urheilutie 1, 52700 Mäntyharju*

PITKÄJÄRVI TOUR

This is a more versatile and challenging route with fast changing terrain, technical sections, hills, rocks and cycling through mixed woodland. After the shelter a few kilometers of sandy road, followed by pine trees with more hills. The route continues through forest to the Matkoslampi shelter. Those interested in history can make a small detour to check the remains of an old cooking oven, used by the men who built Savonranta. Continue from Matkoslampi on a sandy track for about 5 km, of which 3 km is downhill. You will pass Linkkumylly, then take the west side of Pitkäjärvi back to the shelter via Sirppisaarentie.

From here you can continue along the sandy track/off road/hiking tracks back to Mäntyharju to the starting point of this route. An alternative route is from Linkkumylly to Mäntyharju center via Mouhuntie, Kirkonkyläntie and Mäntyharjuntie.

Resting places

- Uutela shelter, 3 km from the starting pointing
- Sammalinen wigwam, 6 km from starting point
- Pitkäjärvi shelter, 12 km from starting point
- Matkoslampi shelter, 21 km from starting point

Services

- Linkkumylly (summer cafe)

Starting point

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Urheilutie 1, 52700 Mäntyharju*



Enjoy the beautiful landscape!

Cycling!

Mäntyharju is blessed with excellent cycling routes, for all abilities and we recommend cycling to visit various local tourist attractions. There are many delightful places to enjoy afternoon coffee or attend special summer events. (mantlyharju.fi/mantlyharju-in-english)

TOIVOLA TOUR (Pertunmaantie–Pyhävedentie–Miekankoskentie)

Toivola Tour is fun and relatively easy, with most of it on tarmac road, and only a 6 km section of gravel leading to Pyhäniementie. Pertunmaantie follows the Pyhävesi coast line and halfway through the tour there is an ideal stop for a coffee at Vihantasalmi service station or Miekankoski coffee shop, where the Museum of Log Rolling is situated. The tour starts from Mäntyharjuntie in the direction of Mikkelä. From Vihantasalmentie continue to Pyhäniementie, crossing Route 5. Pertunmaantie takes you back to Mäntyharju.

Places to visit and services

- Neste Vihantasalmi (service station)
- Vihantasalmi bridge (largest wooden bridge in Finland)
- Miekankoski area and cafe

Starting point

Mäntyharju center
Asemaatie 3, 52700 Mäntyharju

TOMMOLANSALMI TOUR (Kouvolantie–Valtolantie–Varpanen)

The tour begins along Varpasentie and is fairly easy, with only two uphill sections. The route continues along Kouvolantie to Tommolansalmi. From here turn to Kivilahdentie, along a narrow sandy track. Kivilahdentie is of moderate difficulty with one long hill section.

After Kivilahdentie turn to Valtolantie, the first 10 km is gravel but it changes to tarmac. You will appreciate the splendid scenery in the Valtolantie section. Continue to Varpanen and then on to Varpasentie which takes you back to Mäntyharju.

Resting Place

- Haukijärvi shelter

Places to visit and services

- Rantinhovi (cafe)
- Tommolansalmi holiday center (cafe)

Starting point

Mäntyharju center
Asemaatie 3, 52700 Mäntyharju

VARPANEN TOUR

This route takes you through the forest avoiding the more challenging sections. Sammalinen shelter is an ideal spot for a snack. The first section takes you past the village to Virransalmentie. Next turn to Mouhantie and continue until the turning to Piirantie. After a steep hill turn left into a narrow road to Lustingintie where you can pick up the brown cycling guide signs. Having passed the gravel pit you reach the scout trail. Some sections are shared with the hiking trail. Continue along the scout trail until you reach Kyröntie which leads back to Mäntyharju.

Resting Place

- Sammalinen wigwam

Places to visit and services

- Mäntyharju church
- The village kiosk
- Art Center Salmela and restaurant Kesäheinä
- Old vicarage museum site
- War veterans memorial park and museum

Starting point

Mäntyharju center
Asemaatie 3, 52700 Mäntyharju





LAKESIDE TOUR

The lakeside route is short and great fun, but you can make it more demanding by riding along the Pappilanniemi hiking trail. Start from the Village Hall and head towards Kurkiniemi. Continue to the blue bridge and circle the Askel red brick building. Continue north along a sandy lane, which leads to the beach. Along the route you will find the Haapaseläntie sandy beach as well as Pyhävedenranta play park.

From the beach carry on to Pappilanniemi outdoor trail, through Iso-Pappila museum site to Makasiinintie and Kiiskintie. Kiiskintie leads to Varpasentie and back to Mäntyharju village. Art Centre Salmela is nearby and from there you can continue to Immo's Nature Trail, with access to the Mäntyharju-Repovesi water route.

Places to visit and services

- Kurkiniemi
- Haapaselkä beach
- Pyhävedenranta play park
- old vicarage museum site
- Mäntyharju center

Starting point

Mäntyharju center
Asematie 3, 52700 Mäntyharju

MIEKANKOSKI TRAIL

Miekankoski Trail is one of the most popular cycling trails in Mäntyharju.

The first tarmac section takes you through the old Mäntyharju village along Mäntyharjuntie to Vihantasalmi Bridge and on to Miekankoski. To reach the bridge you must turn into Vihantasalmi Neste Service Station, just before Route 5. Ride through the yard towards the bridge and the beach which means cycling around the whole building. Proceeding to the bridge follow the brown cycling route guide, marked with the letter M.

After Vihantasalmi head towards Miekankoski cafe. Cycle along Miekankoskentie and on to Mäntyharjuntie, leading to Mäntyharju village and back to where you started.

Place to visit and services

- Neste Vihantasalmi (service station)
- Vihantasalmi wooden bridge
- Miekankoski Cafe and surroundings

Starting point

Mäntyharju center
Asematie 3, 52700 Mäntyharju



Enjoy the outdoors!

Go hiking!

Mäntyharju offers a variety of hiking options. The main route leads from Mäntyharju Center to Repovesi National Park. Easier routes, suitable for families such as the City Hiking Trail and obstacle free, Immo's Nature Trail are also available. (mantyharju.fi/mantyharju-in-english)



CITY TOUR

The City Tour starts at the Mäntyharju Railway Station, through the village centre and leads to Uutela Shelter following the signposted city tour guide. The route is 12,5 km long and marked with orange signs. Additional arrows mark the route and information maps highlight places of natural beauty and cultural historic interest.

The City Tour follows the coastal paths of Pyhävesi via Kurkilahti, Syvälahti, Teerniemi and Pappilanniemi to the Mäntyharju Centre and then along the Siirlahti coast to the Uutela Shelter. You don't have to undertake the entire journey, as you can join anywhere along the route. The route guide is shown at the Mäntyharju Railway Station and copies are available at the general service point and the Market Place Information Centre.

Starting point

Mäntyharju railway station
Asematie, 52700 Mäntyharju

PAPPILANNIEMI HIKING ROUTE

The surrounding area of Mäntyharju offers a network of undulating forest paths and Pyhävesi lakeside road network follows the coast line of Pappilanniemi and Teerniemi.

Ups and Downs

The route has several hill sections. The choice of trails in Pappilanniemi mainly follow the wider outdoor trail network. The Nuotioniemi rest area is a popular and easy day trip destination for families. Please note that you would need a good pair of hiking boots if going to the Shelter as the descent is very steep.

Easy Option! You can avoid the descent by choosing the coastal path which leads to Teerlahti. You may choose to miss the Shelter altogether and there is an access to it from the Hiking route.

Places to stop

- Pappilanniemi Nuotioniemi shelter
- Teerniemi (with table)

Places to visit and services

- old vicarage museum site
- fortress site

Starting point

Old vicarage museum site

Iso-Pappilantie 3, 52700 Mäntyharju

Starting point is located North from the Iso-Pappila museum area. There is a wooden guide sign to the trail.



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KIRKONKYLÄ-VIHANTASALMI HIKING ROUTE

Kirkonkylä-Vihantasalmi Hiking Route is located in the typical Finnish forest scenery. Along the route you will come across the Mäntyharju Summer Cottage exhibition site built in 2011. When leaving Pyhäjärvi you cross the bridge over the small boat lock, which used to be the log rolling route. The lock connects Pyhävesi to Vihannanselkä.

The route continues from Vihantasalmi to Pertunmaa and forms part of the outdoor route which connects Mäntyharju and Pertunmaa.

Resting places

- Ruokohiekka
- Pyhäkoski shelter
- Neste Vihantasalmi (Service station)

Sights and services

- Pyhäkoski and a small boat lock

Starting point

Paasolanmäentie 1, 52700 Mäntyharju

The starting point in the West is Pyhäkoski shelter, built by fishermen. There is plenty of parking space next to it.



IMMO'S NATURE TRAIL

Immo's nature trail is one of the few obstacle free trails in Mäntyharju. There are some guide boards with information about the nature and history, located opposite the Salmela Art Centre in the old church yard.

The 900 metre track runs along shore of Siirilahti lake and continues across the Katiskalahti arched timber bridge to the Forest Church.

By the Katiskalahti Bridge there is a fire pit and four viewing/fishing platforms with wheel chair access. At the beginning of the Siirilahti nature trail, a kiosk is open through out the summer months.

Circular Trail

From Immo's trail you get to the 3,5 km circular trail by cycling on the sandy road to the starting point. After the forest church the sandy road continues on your right in the direction of travel via Jyrkäniementie to Kyröntie and from there to the Mäntyharju starting point. The sand trails are shown on the map located at the start but they are not available on the trail. Note that there is no cycling lane on the sandy trails.

The story of Immo's Trail

Immo's trail is named after Ilmari Nikkinen who was involved in voluntary work and was a long serving member of the Village Committee. The covered sections of the trail and the arched bridge with the Forest Church were completed in 2011. The Village Committee was in charge of the project. The Mäntyharju Reissupolku (Foot path) group were actively involved in the project. Immo's trail is maintained by the Village Committee.

Useful information

The Mäntyharju church committee has leased the land to Immo's trail and they must be contacted to request permission for any events planned on the trail or church. As the trail is adjacent to Mäntyharju Church, there is ample parking space available, including coaches.

Immo's nature trail

Mäntyharjuntie 22, 52700 Mäntyharju

Mäntyharju congregation

mantyharjunseurakunta.fi



Why not! *Play golf!*



VOLA-GOLF

The course is located in Koirakivi near the road E5 and offers a 9 hole par 3 course as well as 3.5 hectare practice facility. There are 30 Tee mats and a grass Tee area. The length of the Range is approximately 290 meters. Golf equipment is available to hire. Other services include Golf tuition and a Coffee Shop.

Konnasaarentie 1, 52730 Koirakivi
vola.fi

VÄNTTI GOLF

Väntti Golf in Toivola has challenged the traditional golf courses by offering free Golf at the 18 hole course including, golf equipment for most of the year. The course has 11 greens and is located in undulating fields on the Kyösti Ollikainen's old home farm. The course is Par 62 and the length of the fairways vary between 58 -320 metres.

Väntintie 28, 52740 Tuustaipale
vanttigolf.fi



MÄNTYHARJU DISCGOLF PARK

The park is in the beautiful lakeside in the centre of Mäntyharju. The main feature is the lake, which poses a challenge on several fairways to unsuspecting players. Fairways vary from 40–90 metres wide and are of varying difficulty. The park is open to the public, so players need to be mindful of the other people in the park.

Asematie, 52700 Mäntyharju
mantyharju.fi/discgolfparks

PAPPILA DISCGOLF PARK

Pappila frisbee golfpark is in the centre of Mäntyharju, next to the vicarage, summer theatre and the village school. The first two fairways are in the park near the school, the third is in the forest. The hilly forest fairways are challenging and in the valleys water hazards await the unwary.

Mäntyharjuntie 41, 52700 Mäntyharju
mantyharju.fi/discgolfparks

WHD GÅRD DISCGOLF PARK

WHD Gård DiscGolfPark challenges even the more experienced players. The track includes 18 fairways and is 2,2 kilometers long in total. WHD Gård DiscGolfPark is also suitable for arranging competitions. Ticket options for the track are a day or season ticket.

Nurmaankyläntie 90, 52960 Nurmaa
woikoskifeeling.fi/en

Play Golf! *DiscGolf!*



Enjoy nature!

Try Geocaching!

GEOCACHING

Geocaching can be found along the off road cycling, hiking and canoeing routes from Mäntyharju to Repovesi as well as other locations around Mäntyharju.

Geocaching is an outdoor activity where you hide and seek hidden boxes. Searches are made with the help of a GPS satellite locator. Special equipment is not necessary, as you can use your mobile phone to get started.

Each Geocache is described on the internet, which may include some background information on the location and other clues to help the search. The coordinates are either direct (basic geocaching) or as a puzzle or a task to complete the hunt.

The cache container is waterproof with a log book inside, where participants can record their success.

Mäntyharju Reissupolku ry.
www.reissupolku.sporttisaitti.com
www.geocaching.com



Thrill of speed!

Ride and Gallop!

HORSE RIDING AND RACING

Mäntyharju offers excellent opportunity for equestrian activities. The Equestrian Centre provides training, racing and related activities. The 40 hectare site includes practice track, heat straight, bridle shelter, riding tracks and facilities for related activities.

Leppäkummuntie 1, Mäntyharju
mantyharjunratsastajat.net

WHD Equestrian centre is one of most versatile training operations in Finland. It offers a complete fitness training package for horses as well as a wide range of training and coaching activities.

Nurmaankyläntie 90, 52960 Nurmaa
woikoskifeeling.fi/en

Touko Stables Riding School is approved and supervised by Finland's Equine Society which has an enviable reputation for professionalism and quality.

Tylliläntie 32, 52700 Mäntyharju
tuokontalli.fi



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Get moving!

Have fun!

KISALA FOREST PLAY PARK

The children of Mäntyharju had their input in the design of the Play Park which is located just 900 metres from the market square and is open throughout the year.

In the summer there is off road cycling as well as climbing and balancing equipment.

Due to excellent lighting the park can be used throughout the year. The sports field is next to the park as are the hiking and cycling tracks from Mäntyharju to Repovesi National Park.

Facilities

Kisala Sports Hall has good indoor facilities such as toilets with nappy changing areas and clean water for topping up bottles. Parking is provided for approximately 100 cars.

When the sports hall is closed toilets and showers are available behind the park in the adjoining Football Pitch.

Urheilutie 1, 52700 Mäntyharju

SKATE PARK

The Park was opened in the summer of 2018 in the grounds of the Mäntyharju Primary School and in addition to skate boarding can be used by BMX bikes, scooters and kick boards.

Skate Park, Sairaalanatie 4, 52700 Mäntyharju



Get moving!

Play!

TENNIS AND PADEL COURTS

Mäntyharju tennis and padel courts are next to Kisala Sports Hall.

For bookings
mantyharju.fi/tilavaraukset

BEACH-VOLLEY COURTS

There are 2 Beach Volley Courts in Mäntyharju

- Pekkolampi court next to the central sports field
- Kurkiniemi court in Mäntyharju

Take to the water!

Canoeing & Kayaking!

Mäntyharju has two long canoeing & kayaking routes, both of which are approximately 50 km long. Those taking the Repovesi route can stop at the many cafés and kiosks along the route or find a nice comfortable bed to stay the night and have a sauna by the water. The Keisarinlähde route offers a much wilder experience for those wanting to go back to nature. (mantyharju.fi/mantyharju-in-english)

KEISARINLÄHDE TOUR

This 5 lake tour with ever changing scenery is an ideal 2–3 day paddling trip. The tour has an added attraction due to location of the rest and overnight stopping places. The 15–20 km day trips with the stops and carrying sections are comfortably achievable. The story is that Emperor Alexander I stopped for refreshments at Kallavesi Keisarinlähde on 10th June 1803 when inspecting the Russian – Swedish border. Keisarinlähde is very likely one of the few places in Finland where water bottles can be safely filled whilst sitting in a kayak.

The landing sites are marked with orange signposts. The Route itself is not marked and is operated based of Everyman's Law.

Moderately challenging

The route suits someone of average ability and some paddling experience. The route includes two carrying sections. The favourite travelling direction is Kallavesi-Ala-Kuhanen-Ylä-Kuhanen-Herajärvi-Tainavesi. Tainankoski flows to Kallavesi, which makes it easier. Kallavesi connects to Ala-Kuhala via a beautiful narrow stream, with a flow which changes direction depending on the water level in the lakes. There are some rocky areas near the Ylä-Kuhanen shore.

Carrying Locations

The first location is the piece of land between Herataipale bay and Herajärvi. You can go ashore in Herajärvi bay, but not too close to

the properties. The Kayak can be carried from Herataipale Bay to Heralampi to paddle or float to Herajärvi, if there is enough water. (The challenging carrying section is approximately 500 meters).

The second carrying section is the land between Tainavesi and Kallavesi. The distance is 200 meters from Tainavesi to Kallavesi shore, where you go around the Taina rapids and back on the water below the Taina Mill. There is a small boat yard in the Tainalahti bay, where you can start the land crossing.

Useful information

Overnight stops: Puukonvuori shelter and the shelter in Herajärvi's Mäntysaari. Worth stopping are Keisarinlähde in Kallavesi and Taina Shelter near Tainajoki.

Other places to shelter: Puukonvuori 15 km from the start, Iso-Mäntysaari 17 km from Puukonvuori, Taina Shelter 10 km from Iso-Mäntysaari.

The best attraction is the nature itself. Hiidenkirnu rock (Devils Churn) is about 200 meters from Puukonvuori. On the lake side are the old rock paintings, which are best viewed on the water.

Starting point

Kurkiniemi

Asematie, 52700 Mäntyharju

mantyharju.fi/mantyharju-in-english



MÄNTYHARJU–REPOVESI

The paddling route between Mäntyharju and Repovesi National Park follows the old Savonselkä paddling route which used to be the Halla Corporation's log rolling route between Mäntyharju and Verla. The border between Sweden and Russia was agreed at the Turku Peace treaty of 1743 and in parts followed the Mäntyharju route. The Turku Peace monument is in Miekankoski.

During the first world war of 1915–1917 the Russians built defence lines in several Finnish locations to protect St. Petersburg. These were mainly battle trenches, and there are 28 examples on the banks of the Mäntyharju route.

Rock Paintings

Ancient paintings can be found along the route. The three majestic Haukkavuori sections and in Kannonkoski, the large rock rising from water, can only be reached by boat. As you approach, all the paintings are on the left and not too difficult to spot in the very steep rock face.

The best image as you approach is that of a left hand. The image in an area painted red, in the top right corner, there is that of a person with a crooked knee.



Challenge level

The route is not difficult and is suitable for those who have no experience, but the larger stretches of water may be hard work during strong winds. The crossing of Voikoski carrying section is approximately 700 meters, so make sure you are prepared for that distance.

Please Note

Voikoski crossing cannot be approached from south and is suitable only for paddlers, not for rowing boats or motor boats.

Places to Stop

Please see the local guide for details.

Sights and Services

Miekankoski The Old Log Rolling Museum, Blacksmith's Smithy, Turku Peace Monument and summer café. Fishing permits are available here. You can arrive by road and start paddling here if you want to avoid the Pyhävesi stretch. You can see the old Virransalmi museum bridge which was built 1936.

Starting point

Kurkiniemi

Asematie, 52700 Mäntyharju

mantyharju.fi/mantyharju-in-english



The lakes!

Swimming!

Imagine a hot summer day and a warm fresh water lake to swim in. Mäntyharju offers excellent opportunities to fulfil that dream!

You can swim in the lake by your own summer cottage or choose one of the official beaches where the water quality is regularly monitored.

THE BEACHES

The Official Beaches in Mäntyharju

- Haapaseläntie beach (Haapaseläntie 46)
- Kurkiniementie beach (Asematie 11)
- Pekkolanlammentie beach (Urheilutie 9)
- Ruokohiekantie beach (Sakarintie 228)

Other Beaches

- Nurmimaa beach (Jaalantie 503)
- Ollikkala beach (Ruotimonkoskentie 279)
- Valtola beach (Kivilahdentie 725)
- Varpanen beach (Petäjänientie 42)

Swimming Classes

Classes are organised during the summer months.

Follow for more information mantyharju.fi



The lakes!

Fishing!



FISHING!

Mäntyharju has a great variety of locations to offer. Fishing in the rapids at Miekankoski or Pyhäkoski. Head to Korpijärvi for salmon or Pyhävesi for zander and pike. From Pyhävesi through Pyhäkoski lock you arrive at Lahnavesi, Miekankoski and Juolasvesi.

Remember – fisheries management fee!

If you are aged between 18–64 you have to pay the fisheries management fee which permits fishing with one rod anywhere in Finland. Trawling with multiple rods requires a separate permit. Fishing through the winter ice is free.

A Fisheries Management Fee however, does not allow fishing in protected sites, in areas where a special permit is required or in fish migration areas, such as rapids or streams. Further details of “No Fishing” areas are found in the ‘kalastusrajoitus.fi’ site.

Service number for fishing +358 20 69 2424 (on weekdays from 9 am to 4 pm, €0.00/min + local network rate/mobile charge) or go to page

verkkokauppa.eraluvat.fi/en

Remember – lake owner’s permission required!

The permission of the lake owner is always required, whatever age you are, if fishing with nets, fish traps, drag nets or trawling.

Further information about the permits in Mäntyharju area can be found at

mantyharjunok.com

vihannanok.com

Pop in *the library!*

THE MÄNTYHARJU COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Mäntyharju Community Library has much more to offer than books. We have a selection of newspapers and magazines for all age groups. The papers can be read in the lobby area on comfortable seating or taken home. The library has tablets for E-magazines as well as customer computers.

The children are welcomed by a wooden train with seating to climb in and read. Library also lends exercise and outdoor equipment like life jackets for children and a slackline.

Library has a separate working space with video conference equipment. Please contact the library to find out more about booking the space. The Exhibition Room can be hired for a month at a time.

Opening hours

Please check the opening hours from mantyharju.fi/library

The library services are available during the self-service hours and service hours (staff is available).

During self-service hours the staff is not available and you need to log in with your library card and PIN-code attached to it (four digits). You can get the PIN-code and instructions from the library or at lumme.finna.fi

Lääkärintukuja 2, 52700 Mäntyharju

tel. +358 44 770 7229

e-mail: mantyharju.kirjasto@mantyharju.fi

mantyharju.fi/library

Did you know?

The library was established in 1859 in the entrance of the community hall. The number of books at the time was 260. At the end of 1870's the library was moved to the Village school and received money for book lending from the Council. The current Library was opened at the beginning of 1983.



Go to *the cinema!*



CINEMA KINO

Cinema Kino in the centre of Mäntyharju seats 200 and has the latest Cinema technology. The 3D theatre is equipped with the Dolby Surround 7.1 sound system and with the unique FLEXOUND Augmented Audio sound system, where the surround sound gently creates a new sensation both on the skin and body, giving the audience a new kind of experience. There are only 20 seats with this system in the cinema. First nights sell out quicker than in Helsinki!

The cinema has a small café and the theatre can be used for other occasions – as well.

Komantie 22, 52700 Mäntyharju

mantyharju.fi/cinema

Touch of history!

Visit a Museum!



THE OLD VICARAGE MUSEUM SITE

The site is located in Mäntyharju Village. The Vicarage was built when A. A. Berner was the Rural Dean. When completed in 1812 it was the second largest property in the village, after the Church.

The current empire style look dates back to 1854 and was further extended in 1993. There are various buildings in the yard, such as The Village Meeting Room, dating from the 1800's and several buildings, notably for storing logs, food and carriages. There is also smithy, cellar and a large stone animal shelter. And, of course, the garden.

Specialist Exhibitions

These annual themed exhibitions change from year to year. The 2019 theme is 'The Changing Mäntyharju' – the changing image of Mäntyharju. The theme for 2020–2021 highlights the youth culture.

Permanent Exhibition

In the main building, as well as the Specialist exhibition, there is a permanent exhibition for the Memories of School Years. The main room is furnished in the traditional Finnish country style. The other end of the house features a photographic exhibition: '40 years of Mäntyharju' by local travel photographer Nestor Kurvinen.

Above the stone animal shelter there is a collection of horse drawn equipment and an exhibition to honour of 100 years of the Finnish working horse. Downstairs you will find the Art Centre Salmela exhibition of Nina Terno's sculptures as well as some of the previous summers' work.

Mäntyharju 1918 Civil War exhibition, Mäntyharju summer house/summer cottage exhibition and a short version of the 'forgotten border region', feature among many other exhibitions
Address: Iso-Pappilantie 3, Mäntyharju

museo@mantyharju.fi
mantyharju.fi/museums
mantyharjunverkkomuseo.com

• The Old Vicarage museum can also be found on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and Vimeo.



VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK AND TRENCH MUSEUM

The Memorial Park near the Old Vicarage was created in 1995, with genuine dugout trenches and a second World War cannon. The park is maintained by local war veterans. The museum is open in the summer and can also be pre-booked out of season.

MIEKANKOSKI LOG ROLLING MUSEUM

The Museum is located about 10 km outside Mäntyharju. The collection is owned by Mäntyharju Council, but Miekankoski Café looks after the bookings.

OTHER MUSEUMS LOCATED IN MÄNTYHARJU AREA

Woikoski factory museum

Virransalmentie 2023, Voikoski
woikoskifeeling.fi

Woikoski car museum

Nurmaankyläntie 90, 52960 Nurmaa
woikoskifeeling.fi

Alho's home museum

Miekankoskentie 875, 52700 Mäntyharju
alhonkotimuseo.fi



Meet up with friends

at the Market!



You will find fresh local produce: fruit and vegetables, as well as fresh fish and other local delicacies. Or you can just meet friends for a coffee and make new friends.

Mäntyharju Tourist Information stand is located here and is open in the summer from Mondays to Saturdays from 10 am to 3 pm.

The summer opening times are

From Monday – Saturday from 8 am to 5 pm

Closed on Sundays



What's happening in

Mäntyharju!



MÄNTYHARJU FAIR

The fair is one of the most popular annual events in Mäntyharju. On the Monday after Midsummer more than 300 traders and 10 000 summer residents start their summer holiday and head for the fair.

There are food and drink stalls, clothing, tools and much more.

The market Place of Mäntyharju

[facebook.com/mantyharjunmarkkinat](https://www.facebook.com/mantyharjunmarkkinat)

AUTUMN FAIR 3RD SATURDAY OF SEPTEMBER

This is a harvest and country fair held towards the end of September.

REKO DISTRIBUTION

REKO a local produce distributor sell their products in the Mantuharju market square.

[facebook.com/groups/rekomantyharju](https://www.facebook.com/groups/rekomantyharju)

What's on in Mäntyharju!

ART CENTRE SALMELA EXHIBITIONS AND CONCERTS

The centre exhibits annual art collections by established Finnish artists and promising young talent. The work of more than 20 artists can be viewed in the summer exhibition.

The exhibition is located in the vicinity of Mäntyharju Church in Salmela's main building and Domander exhibition site. The site also exhibits landscape paintings and sculptures. Restaurant Kesäheinä is open during the exhibition. The Salmela summer theatre next to the Kesäheinä stages concerts and other events.

Mäntyharjuntie 25

52700 Mäntyharju

taidekeskussalmela.fi

MÄNTYHARJU SUMMER THEATRE

The theatre has staged plays since 1959. The programme consists mainly of comedies and farce, with light national humour, but, not forgetting the classics.

An ambitious choice of plays, talented directors and passionate amateurs have created a high reputation, well regarded throughout Finland. The idyllic museum surrounding adding ambience to the performance. The 630 seater covered auditorium with rising roof guarantees a memorable experience.

Iso-Pappilantie 3

52700 Mäntyharju

uusi.mantyharjunkesateatteri.net

KOIRAKIVI SUMMER THEATRE

Koirakivi Summer Theatre offers everyone the unique opportunity to take part in the production of plays for the area. Every summer most of the work is done by volunteers. The 100 year tradition is still very much alive today.

Koirakivi youth Society has been working continuously during its 100 year history, for the benefit of the village and surrounding areas.

Koirakiventie 524

52730 Koirakivi

koirakivi.net/kesateatteri

ILOKUVA FESTIVAL

This is the festival for good mood, happy endings and uplifting stories. The festival takes place during the first August weekend. In addition to the movie program, music, visiting acts, and debate as well as good food and local specialities are all part of this festival.

Kompantie 22

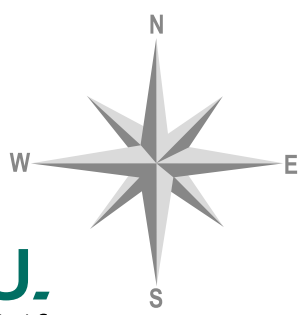
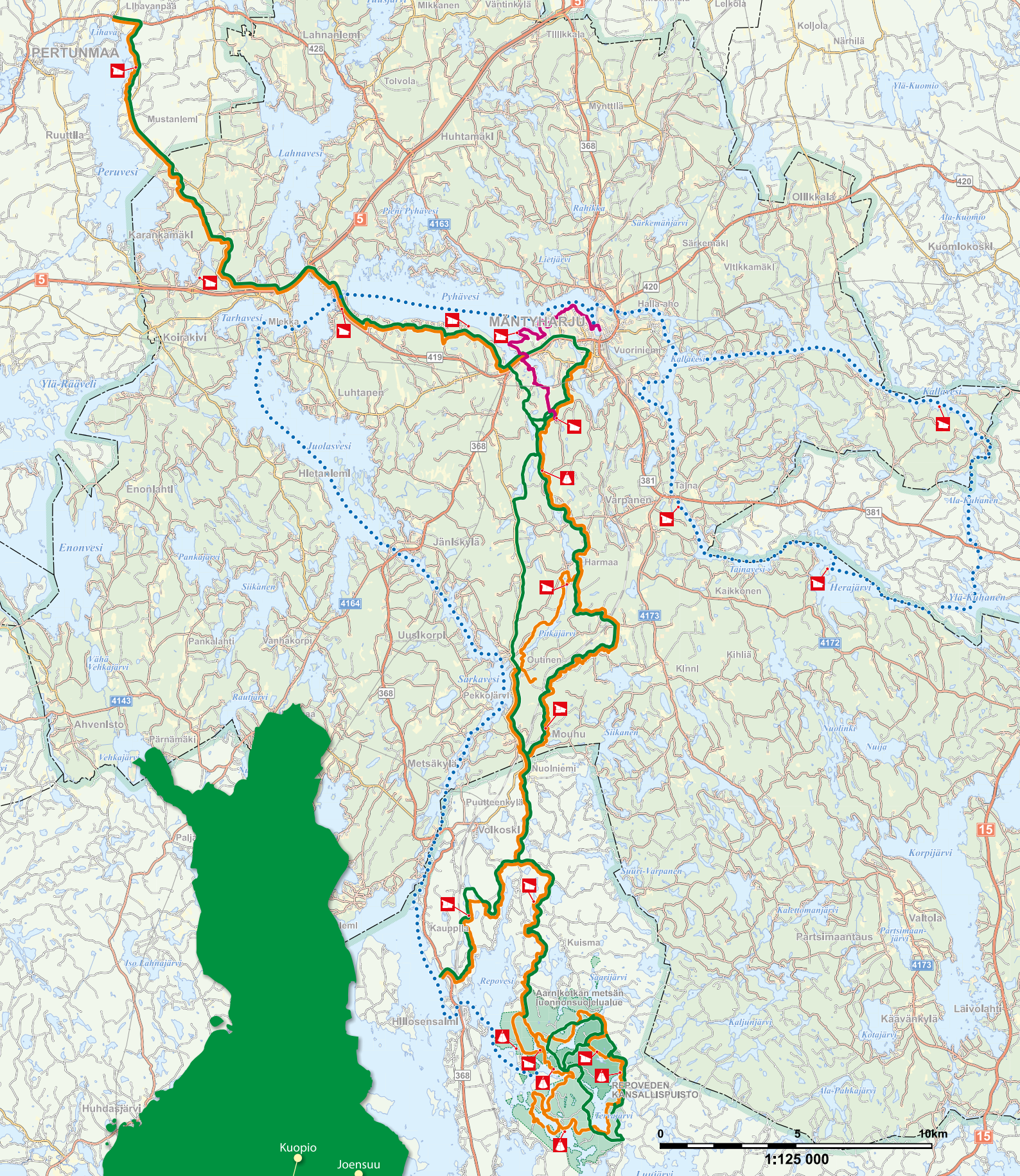
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MORE EVENTS IN MÄNTYHARJU

mantyharju.fi





DISTANCES

- Helsinki 200 km
- Jyväskylä 132 km
- Kouvola 87 km
- Kuopio 205 km
- Lahti 100 km
- Lappeenranta 100 km
- Mikkeli 45 km
- Pietari 295 km
- Savonlinna 147 km
- Tampere 225 km

- Hiking tour
- City tour
- Off-road cycling tour
- Canoeing & kayaking route
- Shelter
- Gohti

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