

Special Adventure for 2 a wilderness husky adventure 6 days / 5 nights / 4 days with dogs



Enjoy the atmospheric arctic winter together – just the 2 of you (plus your guide). Enjoy the cosy atmosphere and kind staff of your hotel and then after a short transfer learn how to drive your own husky team from the guides remote cabin. Your base in the wilderness is a simple log cabin located by the lakeshore, with no close neighbours, except for some friendly huskies. The peacefulness of nature shared with only you, the dogs and your guides. This tour takes you through beautiful taiga trails with only the sound of the dogs panting and their paws hitting the snow.

Spend 3 nights (or 5 nights) at wilderness cabin with your own room, warming up the sauna, taking care of the dogs and enjoying dinners, homemade and locally sourced. A winters evening only for you two together with the guide(s) and the dogs.



Day 1:

Arrive at Kajaani airport, transfer to your hotel - approximately 90 minutes. Dinner in the restaurant, overnight accommodation in double room or suite (shown above). Or transfer directly to wilderness cabin for your evening meal if that is your chosen option.



Day 2:

If at the hotel, after breakfast you can take all your luggage to meet your guide who will transfer you to the wilderness cabin where your team of lovely Siberian huskies live.

After being kitted out with special warm clothes outer clothes and meeting your friendly huskies you will be given instruction on how to drive the sled. Your trip starts right by the cabin. Your guide drives first with his smaller team of dogs; you follow him together with your bigger team, one sitting in the sled, the other one "driving". Once both of you have learned to drive the sled - if you wish and the guide agrees – you can drive a sled each - normally from the second day.

During your tour you will stop for a break and enjoy a hot drink and sandwich snack. Later in the afternoon when you arrive back at the wilderness cabin and after taking care of the dogs you will have time to a late lunch/tea and then enjoy a leisurely warming sauna down by the lake side with a cool bier or cider - looking for stars and aurora before having dinner together in the cabin.

Day 3: After breakfast as it is only you two with the guides and the dogs, there is no need to worry about strict timetables. The schedule will be done according to your own wishes. When you feel so, it is time to head out for another day with the lovely huskies. A short lunch stop will be enjoyed in the forest. Tired muscles will be healed, after a late lunch, in the warmth of sauna, as every evening before dinner in the cabin where you can reflect over another great day out.



Day 4: Today's day tour is similar but on different trails. These 'private' trails are only prepared with snowshoes and the dogs. It may not be as solid and fast as the ones near Kuhmo, but you will get a chance to experience what dog sledding has traditionally been, before the time of snowmobiles. And what's the best, the dogs enjoy this challenge too! On these trails you are unlikely to see snowmobiles or XC skiers. You have the wilderness to yourselves.

Day 5: As day 4 but in the afternoon (if you are not staying at the cabin for the whole tour) after your late lunch - gather your belonging - say good bye to the huskies - before your transfer to the hotel. Evening sauna. Dinner in your hotel.

Day 6: After breakfast, transfer to Kajaani airport.

2019 Dates: 20th January to 31st March

Group size: 2

Cost: **£1645** per person in double room at hotel *
£1725 per person in a suite for 2 at hotel *

* **Accommodation change:** Instead of 2 nights in the hotel (first and last night) you can have all five nights in the cabin instead - just request when making the booking. Cost is the same.

Includes:

Transfers (Kajaani airport - hotel/cabin - Kajaani airport), 2 nights in double room or suite (if booked) in hotel with half board (or cabin full board), with evening saunas. Special Adventure for 2 itinerary, double room with fireplace in the log cabin with indoor (warm) loo - NOT en-suite - guide has a separate room. Wood heated traditional sauna in lake-shore sauna, English speaking experienced guide, team of Siberian Huskies and sledge, overalls, boots, hats, gloves, bag for your personal things (for sled - you can leave most travelling clothes at the hotel). 5 breakfasts, 4 picnic lunches, 5 dinners.

Not included: Flights to Kajaani, travel insurance, alcohol in hotel.

Extra nights half board at the hotel: £100 per person sharing a double room and £135 per person sharing a suite.

Additional activities such as snowmobiling, XC skiing and snowshoe hikes are possible from the hotel - please ask for details.



Notes: the cabin as well as having an indoor loo, does have electricity and a shower if needed.

