

LÄTÄSKURKKIO

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Location: This the northest cabin of Suomen Retkeilyliitto, and it is situated in the "arm" of Finland, next to Lätäseno. There is a 10km walk or 17km boat trip in the northern side of Markkina village.

Description:

In Lätäskurkkio , there is one building, which also has a sauna, an outdoor toilet and a storage for firewood. There are sleeping bunks for 6 persons and the cabin can be heated by fireplace and cooking can be done on a gas-range-cooker. There are some pans and kettles for cooking and for light you can use candles.

Cabin is most suitable for fishermen, and you should have all the fishing licenses in hand before arriving to the village of Markkina. The closest post office is at Hetta and Muonio, both over 100 kms away. You can also hike, camp and pick berries, but fishing can be done only on public land owned by the Forest Government.

Coming to Lätäskurkkio:

There are daily one or two buses from Rovaniemi to Kilpisjärvi and those buses take you to Markkina as well. Even with a car you can go only to Markkina village and the rest of the trip you have to walk, boat or ski to reach the cabin. There are two boats available in the beach of Lauri Pappila and the other boat has an engine. The motorboat is available against payment, but rowing boat is free of charge at your use. There are very many bends in the river and therefore it takes 17km and around 3 hours to row to the end. If you start to experience some rapids on your way, it simply means you have rowed too far and passed the cabin.

It is also possible to hike through the swamp lands and small hills to reach the cabin by foot. The trail starts from Markkina village to the direction of north. You have to be extra careful on the very soft and wet swamp land areas on your way. The first hill is called Kuonnaavaara, the second is Seitavaara and the third is Kokkovaara. From the last hill you can try to see the cabin in the direction of north-west, by the river.

In the wintertime it is easy to ski to cabin crossing the swamp lands, using toboggan route.

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