





## Romantic feeling of small town and countryside

During this trip we will travel through part of Finnish countryside, live the atmosphere of a small town and enjoy the local hospitality – only about an hour's drive from our biggest cities.

## The first Day

Meeting with FMT-guide at. Departure and check out from the hotel in Helsinki.Drive to inland and to the official horse parish Ypäjä. We will stop here to have lunch. After lunch we will carry on to small town of Forssa where we will check-in in a family owned hotel in the town centre.

We will make a walking tour in the town in the afternoon. During this tour we will visit the second oldest cinema in Europe and watch a short film. The Forssa Museum, the Museum of the Year 2014, is in an old Spinning Mill. This factory is part of the old textile industry area, where the first factories related to textile industry in Finland was founded in 1847. The exhibition in the Museum shows us how people in the textile industry community and in the surrounding countryside lived during the years from mid 19<sup>th</sup> century up to 1970's.

A three course dinner will be served in restaurant located near to our hotel. All the dishes are Finnish and prepared from the local ingredients.

## The second day

After breakfast and checking out we will have time for shopping in the Finlayson outlet shop. Finlayson is famous for its quality household textiles. After a short coach drive we will be in the area of the first Finnish Agriculture College, later a faculty of the Helsinki University. In the nearby village there is also a medieval church to visit.

Our journey will continue along the Hämeen Härkätie (Old Tavastia Oxroad), which was built to connect two castles (Turku and Hämeenlinna). By this road there is an old, traditional inn Lounais- Hämeen Pirtti where we'll enjoy our lunch. The dishes on buffet lunch are prepared from the local ingredients.

After lunch we'll drive along the Hämeen Härkätie and will stop at Häme Nature Centre. The short walk in the forest and guide will tell us about the Finnish nature.

The drive to Helsinki will take an hour and half.

