



# EXPERIENCES IN BOMBA NURMES

Programs available between June 1st and August 31st unless otherwise noted, we reserve the right to make changes. Children price mentioned is for under 12 yo. Find out more about the programs at [visitbomba.fi/en/summer](https://visitbomba.fi/en/summer)

**Karelian Pie Workshop** is held at the café on Bomba's summer marketplace. In the workshop you get to bake your own traditional Karelian pies and treat yourself with the freshly baked pies. The rest you can take home with you. The workshop is organized in collaboration with Rautavaara Bakery. The workshop is available from the June 16th until the August 5th every day at 16.00. Duration: 1,5 hours. Price 35/20 € person, inc. 8 Karelian pies. Bookings from [sales.karelia@sokoshotels.fi](mailto:sales.karelia@sokoshotels.fi) or +358 20 1234 660.

**Valamo Wine Tasting**, Bomba House introduces to you the tasty Valamo Monastery wines. The tasting experience includes an aperitif, three wines and a tasting plate designed by Bomba's head chef. Duration: 1 hour. Price 34 €/person. Available on Fridays and Saturdays at

19.00 from the June 10th until the August 5th. Bookings from [sales.karelia@sokoshotels.fi](mailto:sales.karelia@sokoshotels.fi) or +358 20 1234 660.

**Guided fishing trip** on Lake Pielinen, where you will get to know the best practises of jig fishing. Duration 4 h. Price 450 € /a boat/1-6 person. Includes equipment, guide and fishing permit fees. Bookings 2 days in advance, +358 44 377 9334.

Come and enjoy a wonderful day on an **island trip** on Lake Pielinen. From the boat, you can view picturesque ridge landscapes, and by walking, you can explore Kynsisaari, which is the longest island on Lake Pielinen. During the outing, the guide will tell you stories about Lake Pielinen, and you can also enjoy a delicious lunch cooked over an open fire.

Duration 2 h. Price 89/39 € inc. guide, lunch, boat trip. Minimum 3 persons. Bookings 2 days in advance, +358 44 377 9334.

**Self-guided canoeing trip** with a two-seater canoe on the river. Before the trip, you will given guidance to the route, equipment and technique. Duration 2 h. Price 20/15 € Laitalan Lomat, Laitalantie 85. Bookings +358 500 227 011.

Try on clothes and accessories with your friends in a **private visit in Laitala Shop**. After shopping enjoy cake with coffee in the silence of countryside. Price 6 € / person. Laitalan Lomat, Laitalantie 85. Bookings +358 500 227 011.

**Summer dinner** at Puukarin Pysäkki - Karelian Restaurant & Guesthouse. Taste the best flavours of the season and listen the stories of the hostess. Explore Karelian cuisine and find the perfect combinations of drinks and food. Duration 2,5 h. Price 89 €/person. Guesthouse Puukarin Pysäkki, Kajaanintie 844. Bookings: [sales@puukarinpysakki.fi](mailto:sales@puukarinpysakki.fi) / tel. +358 13 454002.

Hear the story of **the guesthouse's herb garden**, the hostess's garden philosophy and her tips for using herbs. Enjoy dinner at Puukarin Pysäkki - Karelian Restaurant & Guesthouse. Duration 2,5 h. Price 76 €/person inc. 3 course dinner and a walking tour of the garden. Guesthouse Puukarin Pysäkki, Kajaanintie 844. Bookings: [sales@puukarinpysakki.fi](mailto:sales@puukarinpysakki.fi) / tel. +358 13 454002.

Puukarin Pysäkki's **public smoke sauna** evening by the river. The smoke sauna is a former barn, so there is plenty of space for the sauna user. Sauna shifts are mixed for men and women. The chang-

ing rooms are separate. Please bring a swimsuit, towel and pamphlet with you. Available in July on Wednesdays at 6 pm and 8 pm, duration 1.5 hours. Price 25 € / person. Puukarin Pysäkki Karelian Restaurant & Guesthouse, Kajaanintie 844. Reservations: [sales@puukarinpysakki.fi](mailto:sales@puukarinpysakki.fi) / tel. +358 13 454002.

At the **guided walking tour of Yläpiha Farm** you will hear interesting stories about the old family farm. We will visit the home museum and handicraft gallery. You can enjoy the magnificent country landscape of North Karelia. After the tour, we will drink a cup of tea or coffee with a homemade pastry. You can shop at Yläpiha's farm shop or flea market. Duration 1h. Price 10/5 €. Available Tue, Wed and Sat at 13.00. Bookings +358 50 599 4630. Yläpihan tila, Peri-Sivakantie 250.

At the **Karelian pie workshop** in Guesthouse Männikkölä Pirtti, pies are baked on Thursdays under the guidance of a well-known Karelian pie expert. After baking you get to enjoy the self-made Karelian pies with soup lunch and coffee. Duration 2 h. Price 55 € / person, 25 € child under 14years. Includes soup lunch, guidance, Karelian pies. Bookings tel. +358 400 889 845. Männikkölä pirtti. Pellikanlahdentie 1.

More services from the travel online store [aksytammat.fi/en](https://aksytammat.fi/en)

## Experience dinners are here!

Specific restaurants serve a themed set menu every weekend on Friday or Saturday from July 1 to August 26. at 7 p.m. Check out the experience dinners at [visitbomba.fi/en/summer](https://visitbomba.fi/en/summer)



**2 June – 1 September Stage dances** – at Kajaste every Friday at 20.00–00.30. Tickets 20 €.

**1–9 July. Nurmes Summer Music** – Top musicians gather together to play classical music from all eras. Enjoy concerts all over Nurmes in unique venues.

**4–10 July. Valtimon kesäpäivät** – Traditional Valtimo Summer Days bring together people for enjoying summer days, music and sports. The event culminates in Summer Day Rock, a festival-type music event on 8-9 July. Sepänkätu 9.

**12 August. Vanhan Kauppalan avoimet ovet** – Explore the old wooden houses, gardens, and inhabitants of Puu-Nurmes. Locals operate pop-up cafes, restaurants and second-hand shops during the day. Kirkkokatu 15.

## Contact information

NURMES TOURIST INFORMATION CENTER in Bomba House, Suojärvenkatu 1, Nurmes Open during summer from June 16th Tue-Sat 12–17 tel: +358 46 922 3511 | [www.visitbomba.fi](https://www.visitbomba.fi)

**12–13 August. Idän villafestarit** – Get inspired by local crafts, participate in knitting picnics and learn about dyeing yarn. The "Wool festival" has courses about handicrafts and exhibitors around the theme. Free entrance. Lomatie 12

**18–19 August. Drive-In & Rock** – A Finnish festival in American style offers rock n' roll music, American cars, and a drive-in film. Lomatie 12.

**Summer market**  
Kauppatori: 12 June., 3 July, 24 July and 12 August  
Porokylä tori: 10 July, 31 July  
Puukoulu, Jukolankuja 6: 8 July

More events at [tapahtumat.pohjois-karjala.fi/en-FI](https://tapahtumat.pohjois-karjala.fi/en-FI)

1 hour driving distance from Koli, Hiidenportti and Tiilikajärvi national parks, Vuokatti and Tahko  
1,5 hour driving distance from Kuopio, Joensuu, Kajaani and Patvinsuo National Park

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# SUMMER

## BOMBA NURMES 2023

In North Karelia, on the shore of Pielinen, in the middle of the national parks is Lakeland Bomba, where silence, peace of mind and nature come close. We are known for the Karelian Bomba house, an atmospheric wooden house area and beautiful landscapes. Untouched nature, national cultural heritage and genuine, unhurried encounters are tourism that cannot be duplicated. It has to be experienced where it is real.





# PLACES TO VISIT

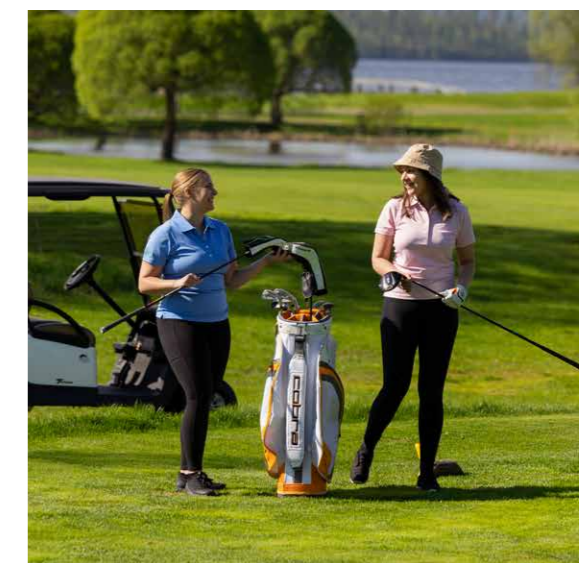


# NATURE



## Hyvärilä's equipment rental open between June 13th and July 31st. daily 10–18 Lomatie 12

- Row boats, canoes  
15 €/1 h, 20 €/3 h, 40 €/24 h
- Kayaks and SUP-boards (includes  
paddle, life jackets, foot strap)  
20 €/1 h, 30 €/3 h, 45 €/24 h
- Trek fatbike:  
25 €/1 h, 35 €/2 h, 50 €/3 h, 90 €/24 h



## Other attractions in the area

In **Hyvärilä** there is for instance a beach volleyball court, children's playground, a disc golf course and padel field. There is also a 9-hole Pielis-golf course in the yard. Lomatie 12.

**Break Sokos Hotel Bomba's** beach is suitable for families with small children. In addition, the area has a minigolf course, paddle boats and petanque court. Address: Tuulentie 10

There are changing cubicles and campfire places on **Lokkiharju** beach. There is also a play area, orthodox church, discgolf course and sawdust covered track in the surrounding area. Lokkiharjuntie, Valtimo.

**The beach track Rantaraitti** goes in the coastal terrain of Pielinen and Nurmesjärvi and goes along the sidewalks around the Kauppala. The beach track can be reached from the harbour, for example, where are also summer kiosk and children's playground.

Bike or drive through the **Landscape Villages** while enjoying the rural scenery. There are four nationwide valuable landscape areas: Rasimäki river valley village, Ylä-Valtimo's agricultural landscape, Karhunpää beach village and Ylikylä agricultural landscape.

Spend time at **Bomba House** by getting to know the exhibitions, boutiques and enjoy a summery buffet. Explore the environment such as the Orthodox tsasouna and memorials around the area. Stop by at Spa Bomba to relax, experience activities at Wild Nordic's safari house or enjoy Karelian Pies at Bomba's summer café located at the summer marketplace. Ask for tips at the tourist office located inside Bomba House. Bomba House is open daily from the June 16th until the August 5th from 12.00–20.00, boutiques from 12.00–18.00. Address: Suojärvenkatu 1.

The area of **Puu-Nurmes** in Vanha Kauppala is charming with its lake landscape in full view from on top of the ridges. Wooden houses built between the 1880s and 1930s. Walk along the fire alleys to see the monuments, the former Town hall, the harbour and the fifth largest church in Finland. Kirkkokatu 17.

The **Nurmes House** is a local culture house, which contains the city library, the Tyko art gallery, the Kötsi Museum, the cinema and the Harju café. The Nurmes House offers a magnificent lake view of Nurmesjärvi. Kötsintie 2, Nurmes

The renovated **Kötsi Museum** presents the history of the Nurmes and Valtimo regions. You can also spend time in the museum viewing historic feature films and documentaries. The museum is open Mon-Fri 10 am – 4 pm, free admission. Nurmes House, Kötsintie 2, Nurmes

At the **Ikola Museum**, you can learn about the history of Nurmes by visiting the buildings in the open-air museum area dating back to the 18th and 20th centuries and visiting various exhibitions. There are also goats to pet in the area. In the main building, there is a café and an art exhibition. The museum is open from 19th June until the August 4th. Mon-Fri 10 am – 4 pm, tickets 6/3 € or

with a Museum Card. Kotiniementie 2, Nurmes.

**The Murtovaara House Museum** offers you a glimpse into the life of a family of forest rangers. You can sense the special atmosphere already upon arrival. The half kilometer long footpath lingers through the woods opening up to the meadows which are surrounding the traditional Eastern Finnish courtyard. Tickets 7 €, child under 15 years free entrance. Open in July Wed-Sun 10.30-18, June and August Fri-Sat 11–17. Murtovaarantie 260A. Guided tours price 10/5 € (inc. Entrance, coffee, bun).

**Valtimo Puukoulu** is a former school building which has been converted for museum purposes. After exploring the exhibitions it is a great time to enjoy coffee at Puukoulu summer café. Open: 27th June – 5th August Tue - Fri 11.00–17.00 and Sat 10.00–14.00. Free entry. Jukolankuja 10

**Viljamakasiini** or the grain warehouse displays peasant artefacts from the early 20th century. The summer guide talks about the exhibition. Open June 27th - August 5th, Tue-Fri 11.00-17.00 and Sat 10.00-16.00. Free entry. Keskuskatu 60.

**Omatoimimuseo** presents the history of Valtimo through different traditional professions. The painter, shoemaker and the head of the municipality have their own department. Open weekdays from 9.00 to 15.00. Free entry. Kunnantie 1, Valtimo.

More attractions at [www.visitbomba.fi/en](http://www.visitbomba.fi/en)

The **Joukon polku** trail is a short path on the shore to a birdwatching tower, which has views of the famous Puu-Nurmes. The starting point is Vinkerlahti marina, where the Girl's park is located as well. Vajatie, Nurmes.

**Ellu's tour** is suitable for e-fatbike riding due to a sawdust covering the route. The loop winds through pine and spruce forests. Lomatie 12.

**Kohtavaara nature and history trail** leads you to Toivontorni tower to admire similar sights as Koli has to offer. At the top of the hill, you can see the natural stone foundations remains from the buildings of the Sarkkinen family farm from the 18th and 19th centuries, representing the typical North Karelian hill settlement. There are information signs about the history and nature of the area on the path. The signs also have QR codes for additional information. 2,4 kilometers long path runs through varying terrain. Opistontie 7, Nurmes.

**Jurttivaara** ascent is steep, but worthwhile

climb, as the scenery from the top of the hill is absolutely stunning. On top there is a hut and campfire place for a snack break. Haarakiventie, Nurmes.

**Tavikoski old mill** is located by the rapids and has a campfire place. Verkojoentie 381A. In the same trip, combine a visit to the Pertunvaara lookout tower, where you can see a nationally valuable landscape area. Signs from Ylä-Valtimontie, opposite the Ylikylä intersection.

**Raesärkät** outdoor area has easy-to-reach routes with many rest stops and they are well suited for families with children. Ridges, swamps, lakes and old forests adorn the landscape. Raesärkät, Nurmes.

**Peurajärvi** hiking trails in ridge landscapes connect to Hiidenportti National Park. Porttijoentie 136.

Explore also other nature attractions at [visitomba.fi/en/natural-attractions](http://visitomba.fi/en/natural-attractions)