

# CAMP SCHOOL INFO



## Before the Camp School

- We recommend to plan the camp school schedule and program well in advance, **no later than 2 months before the start of the camp school**. All our programs can be found at <https://www.hostelhelsinki.fi/en/leirikoulut>
- The final number of participants and possible special dietary requirements must be informed **at latest 14 days before arrival!** We acknowledge most common special diets and genuine allergies > individual preferences can not be taken into account.
- The group must inform their arrival and departure times by email to: [ryhmat@suokki.fi](mailto:ryhmat@suokki.fi)
- The final invoice for the camp school will be sent immediately after we receive the final number of participants.

**Create camp school rules and a camp agreement that everyone agrees to together.**

This will make the camp school experience pleasant for everyone.

### Important to consider:

- Behavior during camp school: respecting others, Behavior in various situations like meals or outdoor activities > safety perspectives
- Use of mobile phones and other devices during the camp
- How much money students can or should take with them
- Bedtimes
- Consequences of any rule violations
- What to do in cases of accidents or damage
- Activities pupils are allowed to participate in (parental permission) and what is not allowed during the camp

For more guidance and support in preparing for camp school, visit the Finnish Camp School Association website: <https://www.leirikoulut.info>

## Arriving to Suomenlinna

Suomenlinna can be reached by ferry departing from the Market Square (Kauppatori). **Ferry tickets are not included in the camp school package.** Suomenlinna ferry is part of Helsinki's internal public transport > regular internal transport tickets are valid. Tickets must be purchased in advance from a ticket machine at the ferry pier.

Check the ferry schedule at: <https://suomenlinnanliikenne.fi/en/timetables/>

The ferry the group is arriving with must be informed to us in advance (We recommend the 10:40 ferry). We will meet you at the hostel. Please note that we don't welcome groups before 11:00 unless agreed otherwise.

## Accommodation in Suomenlinna

Check-in to the rooms is possible according to the program, starting at 14:00. The rooms must be cleared by 10:00.

You can find the floor plan and emergency plan for the hostel at: <https://www.hostelhelsinki.fi/en/leirikoulut>



### Important things to consider during Camp School

- The program will follow the agreed plan. Most of the activities take place outdoors – even in rainy weather!
- **The teacher is always responsible for the pupils**, including during guided programs. We hope the teacher handles any possible problems that arise.
- The hostel does not have overnight staff on duty > The group is fully responsible for night time supervision. In urgent cases during the night, staff can be reached by phone (on-duty number)
- The front door must be kept locked outside reception hours
- Room keys also open the front door. You will also receive a door code upon arrival.
- Please note that the hostel is also open to other guests unless your group has booked the entire building. **Please respect quiet hours between 22:00–07:00.** The upstairs common facilities are reserved for hostel guests; The camp school group can use the downstairs hall during free time. Quiet hours also apply to the outdoor areas.
- Please help keep the common facilities clean. Recycling points are available in the downstairs hall and upstairs kitchen. **We encourage to sort waste properly.**
- **Please take care of your room keys.** A lost key will incur a €30 fee.

## Visiting Suomenlinna

Since 1991, Suomenlinna has been a **UNESCO World Heritage Site** and is home to around 800 residents. **Please respect nature and the peace of the local community.** Open fires and barbecuing are strictly prohibited throughout the island. The fortress walls and embankments are mostly unfenced structures, and **visitors move through the area at their own risk.** Please be especially careful while walking around the fortress.

Familiarize yourself with Suomenlinna in advance – its history, nature, and surroundings – to get the most out of your visit! <https://suomenlinna.fi/en/>

Need more guidance?

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