

THE KALLIO DISTRICT

Where the Helsinki people live

SATURDAY

Meeting Point: Outside The central Railway Station on the large stone men side (Guide will inform exact location during Tuesday's introduction Tour)

Duration: 4 hours

Dress code: According to the weather

Changes are possible

Please Note: We have to choose which Saturday tour we take, either Kallio or Seurasaari. There will be a vote at the start of the tour on Tuesday, The majority decides where we go.

• If you want to get a feel of local life in Helsinki away from the usual tourist attractions and see a little of how people live their everyday lives. Then this is the tour for you.

• We start from the Central Railway Station and head towards the Long Bridge which divides the city in two, leaving the old Bourgeois half and entering the old Industrial part. We pass by the Paasilinna restaurant where Vladimir Lenin had secret meetings before the Russian revolution. We then move onto the Hakaniemi indoor market where you will get the chance to look around on your own for a while before we move on to more locations. We will pass the City Theatre and see the Villas belonging to factory owners during the beginning of the last century. On our way we will see the Helsinki Deaconess Institute, before heading on to the Kallio Church where if there are no events going on we can look inside.

• We then walk to the Bear Park, a culturally famous meeting place in Helsinki. Here we will visit the Bear Park Cafe one of the few traditional Finnish cafes remaining in the area for Coffee, tea and a bun. After our break we will then continue to the Kallio Library to see the domed roof as well as visit the children's story room on the upper floor. Still further we shall see from a distance one of the last wood burning public saunas in Helsinki. Before heading towards one of the main streets where we find many multicultural shops selling foods and spices from a variety of countries.

• The tour ends back at the Hakaniemi Indoor market, the guide will continue back to the Central Railway station. You can either choose to return to the station with the guide or stay in the Kallio area as you wish.

