



## International Fellowship of Flying Rotarians IFFR Scandinavian Section

**Fly In to Turku, Finland from Thursday 10th until Sunday 13th of August 2017**

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### Welcome to IFFR Scandinavian sections meeting in Turku

Turku is the oldest town in Finland, founded most likely at the end of 13th century. Turku used to be the capital of Finland, it wasn't until 1812 Helsinki took over that role.

Turku sub-region is third largest urban area in Finland and Turku is an important seaport. Turku airport is a 24/7 air-port with capacity for big airplanes. The airport is situated about 10 km from the center of the town.

Turku area is culturally old and rich, there is lot to see and experience. During your stay we will visit some of the main attractions but many will still remain to be explored. We hope you want to come back some day for more.

As public transportation in Turku area is very well arranged we will mainly use public buses for transportation. This gives us flexibility, saves the environment and gives you a good opportunity to better feel day to day living in Finland. Buses are clean and safe and we will take care of buying the tickets and keep track of the timetables.

We are also going to walk quite a lot. A beautiful river, Aurajoki (Aura å in Swedish) runs thru the town and the street banks of the river are made for walking. So be sure to take good walking shoes with you, you will also have good use of them during the guided tour in Naantali and Turku castle. While walking, please keep your eyes open for bicycles. Some bicycle drivers run fast and to avoid collisions it is wise to keep their path open.



### Thursday 10th of August, arrival day

For those arriving with own airplane to EFTU airport, please mark IFFR in the remark section of your flight plan. You will be guided to a parking area marked for airplanes taking part at this IFFR meeting. Be careful to take all your belongings from the airplane at once as it is a little hard to visit the plane afterwards. You will be guided either to a gate or to the terminal building. We will meet you just outside the airport fenced area. There is a restaurant at the airport if you want to have lunch there. Transportation to the hotel is by public bus (Line 1) which leaves every 15 minutes just outside the terminal. Ride the bus to the marketplace and have a short 3 minutes' walk to your hotel. We have bus tickets and will help you to find the bus.

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At 6.30 p.m. we will all gather together in the hotel lobby and have a short walk to a bus which takes us on a guided tour around Turku. The tour takes one hour, bus returns to same place where it started. From there we will walk directly to riverboat "Svarte Rudolf" for dinner. It's a 5 minutes' walk from the riverboat back to the hotel.

#### ***Timetable for Thursday 10 th Arrival during the day***

Bus Line 1 from airport to market place in center of Turku. Ride takes 20 min.

Check-In at the hotel

6.30 p.m.	Gathering in the hotel lobby
7.00 p.m.	Guided bus tour in Turku
8.30 p.m.	Dinner on riverboat "Svarte Rudolf"

#### **Friday 11 th of August, visit to Naantali**

After breakfast at the hotel (included in the price) we gather and walk alongside the river to the steamship s/s UkkoPekkas (<http://www.ukkopekka.fi/en>) pier. The steamship tour from Turku to Naantali takes a little less than two hours. We will arrive to the old part of Naantali where a guide meets us and gives us a guided tour of the old town.

After the tour, we will have lunch at restaurant Kilta, which is at the same location we started our guided tour. After lunch, you can explore Naantali further by yourself. Return to Turku is by bus (Lines 6 and 7 will both get you to the marketplace in Turku), buses leave every 30 minutes and the ride to Turku takes about 40 minutes. You now have time for shopping before dinner in the evening.



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### ***Timetable for Friday 11th***

#### Breakfast

- 09:15 a.m. Gathering in hotel lobby and start our walk to s/s UkkoPekkas pier  
10:00 a.m. s/s UkkoPekka starts for Naantali  
11:45 a.m. Arrival to Naantali, guided tour of old town starts  
01:00 p.m. Lunch in Naantali, Ravintola Kilta  
By own schedule back to Turku with bus, Lines 6 or 7.  
Time for shopping in Turku  
7.00 p.m. Dinner at restaurant

### **Saturday 12th of August, Turku castle, Luostarinmäki Handicraft Museum and Gala Dinner with guided tour at Forum Marinum Maritime Center**

For over 600 years Finland was the eastern part of Sweden (Finland became a part of the Russian after the Finnish War 1808-1809 and independent Republic Finland in 1917) during which Turku was the areas main city. Turku Castles history goes back to 1280 and it has been a museum since 1881, the castle is one of the main attractions of Turku.

Saturday starts with a bus ride (Line 1) from marketplace to Turku Castle, the bus stop is 100m from the Castle. At castle we will have a guided tour "Everyday life and Festivals at Turku Castle". After tour, we will

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have buffé lunch at the Castel restaurant. After lunch, we walk back to bus stop (opposite side of the street) and take bus Line 1 back to Turku center. A 20 min (1 km) walk takes us to Luostarinmäki Handicraft Museum where a guide meets us for a guided tour around the Museum area. Luostarinmäki Handicraft Museum is special because it was the only continues district of wooden houses that survived the fire in 1827 in Turku. It gives us an authentic environment from that time and we will also hear about how the day to day living used to be. The evening program starts at Forum Marinum Maritime Centre which is a lively and versatile center for maritime activities, comprising a national special maritime museum, and the Finnish Navy Museum. We will get an one hour guided tour around the center before the Gala dinner, which is served at the centers restaurant.



#### ***Timetable for Saturday 12 th***

##### Breakfast

- 09:15 a.m. Gather in hotel lobby. Short walk to market place where we take bus (Line 1) to Turku Castle
- 10:00 a.m. Guided tour in Turku Castle
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Bus (Line 1) back to city centre
- 02:00 p.m. Guided tour at Luostarinmäki Handicraft Museum, about 1 hour. Walk back to hotel.
- 05:00 p.m. Gathering in hotel lobby
- 05:30 p.m. Guided tour Forum Marinum Maritime Center
- 07:00 p.m. Gala dinner

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### **Sunday 13 th of August, IFFR Scandinavia section annual meeting and goodbyes**

#### *Timetable för Sunday 13 th*

Breakfast

09:00 a.m. Gather in meeting room (to be reserved)

11:00 a.m. Lunch

Bus to airport (Line 1 from marketplace). Leaves every 30 min. Ride to airport takes 20 min.

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