

## Comfortable accommodation & quality services

### VIP accommodation in Rääkkylä

In addition to high class accommodation, our partners in Rääkkylä offer our VIP clients a wide variety of custom-made fishing, catering and wellness services from massage to beauty treatments. Other services include guided berry or mushroom picking trips, guided nature trips by hiking, canoeing or biking, translation services and transportation.

**Villa Swan** \*\*\*\*\* Villa for 10+4 persons (174 m<sup>2</sup>)

**Villa Koivula** \*\*\*\*\* Villa for 8+2 persons (115 m<sup>2</sup>)

**Pohja Cottage** \*\*\*\*\* Cottage for 6+2 persons (70 m<sup>2</sup>)

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**Villa Raita** \*\*\*\*\* Villa for 4+2 persons (99 m<sup>2</sup>) (on an island that can be reached by car)

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### Other accommodation in Rääkkylä

**Topin Tuvat** \*\*\*\*\* Cottage for 8+2 persons (125 m<sup>2</sup>), cottage for 4+2 persons (80 m<sup>2</sup>)

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Special attractions from the times of WWII: a renovated trench, dug-out shelter and a sauna built into a dug-out shelter.

### Accommodation in Savonranta

**Lomavouti** \*\*\*\*\* Cottage for 10+2 persons (166 m<sup>2</sup>), two cottages for 6+2 persons (120 m<sup>2</sup>)

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Cosy holiday houses right in the middle of Finland's Lake District.

### Accommodation in Enonkoski

**Cottage Holidays** \*\*\*\*\* Cottage for 6+2 persons (128 m<sup>2</sup>), two cottages for 4+2 persons (100 m<sup>2</sup>)

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You can easily go trekking or kayaking in the near-by Kolovesi National Park.

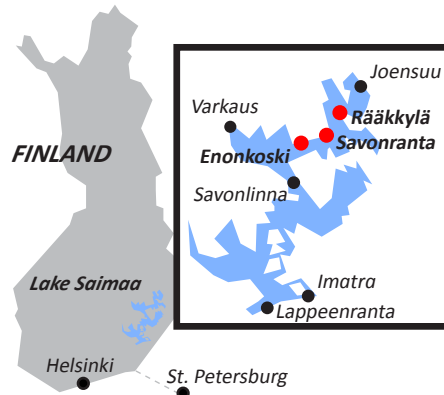


## Old School Trolling

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### Distances

#### Savonranta

- Punkaharju 60 km, 45 min
- Kerimäki 35 km, 30 min
- Enonkoski 35 km, 30 min
- Joensuu 85 km, 1 h
- Helsinki 390 km, 4 h 30 min
- Savonlinna 55 km, 40 min
- Imatra 146 km, 1 h 45 min
- Lappeenranta 180 km, 2 h 10 min

#### Rääkkylä

- Joensuu 60 km, 45 min
- Helsinki 435 km, 4 h 50 min
- Imatra 170 km, 2 h
- Lappeenranta 210 km, 2 h 30 min

#### Joensuu

- Helsinki 435 km 4 h 50 min
- Imatra 200 km, 2 h 20 min
- Lappeenranta 235 km, 2 h 40 min

There are good flight and train connections to the nearest big town Joensuu. A flight from Helsinki to Joensuu takes an hour, an InterCity or Pendolino train trip about 4,5 hours.



## Fishing holidays on Lake Saimaa



**Northern Karelia:** Joensuu Rääkkylä Liperi  
**Southern Savo:** Savonranta Enonkoski Kerimäki Savonlinna Punkaharju

## Lake Saimaa, one of the biggest lakes in Europe

Lake Saimaa in Finland is the fourth largest lake as well as the largest contiguous lake district in the whole Europe. It is a national treasure of over a hundred lakes and thousands of islands, a unique collage of big open lakes, steep rocky shorelines and an abundance of islands.

We can help you find out what the northern parts of Lake Saimaa have to offer. You can have a relaxing stay right in the middle of the nature, go fishing for clean and tasty fish, enjoy many quality services and explore the waters and islands of the area by boat.



### Fishing and boating on the northern Lake Saimaa

**Old School Trolling's** fishing trips and boat charters are suitable for experienced fishermen as well as beginners of all ages, for families and business events. We also have custom-made fishing and wellness services for ladies.

We operate from the guest harbours of Savonranta, Rääkkylä and Joensuu with our sturdy 5,6-metre aluminiumboat equipped with a 90 hp engine.

**Fishing Trips** are suitable for 1–4 customers. The duration of the trip is 4–8 hrs and the hourly charge is 100 Euros/h. The price includes a picnic lunch, the use of fishing gear and our rainwear or warm clothing. The national fishing management fee (7 Euros) must be paid separately – we can assist with the payment. As our customer you are insured against accidents in the boat caused by our carelessness. For other types of accidents you will need a personal insurance, such as your travel insurance.

**Boat Charters** are suitable for 1–6 customers, hourly charge is 100 Euros/h. On both our fishing and boating trips we can take a break on one of the area's islands to have lunch, barbeque sausages and cook coffee or tea. These breaks are highly popular and recommended!

We speak Finnish and English. More info at [www.oldschooltrolling.fi](http://www.oldschooltrolling.fi).

### Our fishing areas on the Saimaa Lake District

- Lake **Paasselkä** in Savonranta is known nationwide as a great salmon lake but it's also good for pike, perch and zander.
- Lakes **Savonselkä** and **Orivesi** on the border between Savonranta and Rääkkylä are known as fine zander fishing areas. Also good for pike, perch and ide.
- Lakes **Samppaanselkä** and **Kuhakivenselkä** are known for their big zanders, but also for pike and perch.
- In Liperi, lake **Ukonselkä** is known for big pikes, and lakes **Jänisselkä** and **Tikanselkä** are good for catching zander and perch.
- Lake **Pyhäselkä** in Joensuu is a fine area for zander and perch, conveniently near to the shopping and accommodation services of the town of Joensuu.



### Fishing methods

- **Trolling** – for salmon, brown trout, pike, zander and perch.
- **Casting with spinners and spoons, jigging and vertical jigging** – for zander, perch and pike.
- **Angling** – for perch and ide.

### Fisherman's calendar of Lake Saimaa

#### May–June

Lake Saimaa is freed from ice usually around the 15<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup> of May. Up until about the 20<sup>th</sup> of June it's a great time for trolling of salmon or trout as well as casting for pike and zander. From mid-June on we start to troll for zander and pike and jigging for zander. Ide can be angled from mid-June until the end of July.

#### July

July is the season for night-time fishing. During the night we troll for pike and zander, during the day we use casting and jigging for catching pike, perch and zander. Hot July days are ideal for jigging for zander, pike and perch from the bottom of the lake.

#### August

In August we troll for pike and zander more in the daytime but still also during nights as well. The month is excellent for daytime jigging and casting of pike, perch and zander.

#### September

September is a great month for jigging of perch and zander as they gather into big shoals. It's also a good time for trolling pike and zander.

#### October

October is the best month of the autumn for trolling salmon and trout. Perch, zander and pike can also be found in bigger shoals. October is also great for jigging and casting.

#### November–December

The end of the year is most suitable for trolling. As the waters get colder, salmon, trout and pike move to the bigger open water areas to hunt for food and can be best caught by trolling. The season lasts until Lake Saimaa freezes over.

Wintertime fishing may also be available. Please feel free to ask!

### Main seasons of fish

- Trolling of salmon and trout: May–June, September–November.
- Pike: all season. Best season for casting is May–June, for trolling July–September.
- Perch: all season. Best season for shoals of perch July–September.
- Casting and trolling of zander: June–September
- Ide: end of June and July.