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Reservable Wilderness Hut Härkätunturi



Härkätunturi reservable wilderness hut is located in Tuntsa wilderness area, in a spruce forest, along the UKK-trail, close to Härkätunturi. The other end of the hut is an open wilderness hut and there is also a sauna in joint use.

Location

Härkätunturi reservable wilderness hut is located in Salla municipality, in Eastern Lapland, in Tuntsa wilderness area. The hut is close to the border of Salla and Savukoski municipalities, along the UKK-trail, between the fells Härkätunturi and Härkätunturinmuristat.

Coordinates:

Euref-Fin (~ WGS84) lat: 67° 40.1555' lon: 29° 27.2271' ETRS-TM35FIN: N: 7508051 E: 604019

Keys

The key can be picked up when showing the receipt of payment from Savukoski Visitor Centre Korvatunturi, Pyhä-Luosto Visitor Centre Naava, Hotel Samperin Savotta, Naruskan retkeilymaja or from Tuntsan ja Naruskan Tunturilomat. Check the opening hours.

Facilities

For heating: Wood stove. Please note it takes some time before the hut is properly warm.

For cooking: Gas cooker and necessary cooking utensils. Bring your own utensils and tableware.

For sleeping: Bunk beds for four, mattresses, pillows and blankets. Bring your own linen or sleeping bag.

Sauna: A wood heated sauna on the yard is free for reservable and open hut guests to use. Please note that it takes some time before the sauna is properly warm. Remember to empty all the water containers and buckets before

you leave. This is important especially in winter time as they will break if water freezes in them.

Water: There is a spring nearby in summer, in winter water can be taken from a stream close by. Boil the water before use.

Other facilities: There is an open wilderness hut at the other end of the hut. A dry toilet, (bring your own toilet paper) and a wood shed.

How to get there?

In summer time, there are several possible starting points from Savukoski direction, close to Tulppio. You can get by car to Tulppionkaitavaara, to the north part of Turjalainen or Ahmatunturi. The roads are forest roads and can be in poor condition. It is 18 km from Tulppio to Härkätunturi via the UKK-trail. In the winter, the road is maintained to Ainijärvi, 15 km further from Tulppio, where the road ends.

From Salla direction, you can get to the hut by walking 23 km north from Tuntsa. You can leave the car at the Tuntsa cooking shelter near Tuntsaajoki river.

There is no marked winter trail going to the hut and it can't be reached by public transport.

Important info



- The hut has no electricity, running water or heating. It's located in the wilderness outside roads. There is no staff or food or pre-heating. The hut is wood-heated and it takes time for it to heat up properly.
- The hut can't be reached with motorized vehicles. You need outdoor and orienteering skills getting there. Consider also quick weather changes when planning the route and the equipment.
- The hut is located in a nature protection area, check the regulations www.nationalparks.fi
- Bringing pets or smoking are not allowed in the hut and there is no barrier-free access.
- Pack with you adequate equipment: warm clothes, food, drink, a map, a compass, equipment to make a fire, toilet paper, a fully charged mobile phone, equipment for sleeping, a headlamp and a first aid kit.
- Check the fire alarm upon arrival. We recommend bringing a battery with you. Candles must be supervised at all times.
- Tidy up after you and leave some firewood and kindling for the next guests. There is no cleaning service.
- Each visitor is responsible for taking their own waste from the hut.
- If you notice anything requiring maintenance, let us know.

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