

- 1. Lush riverbanks
- 2. Racy Vannekoski rapid
- 3. Hill forests





PärjänjokiCanoeing route in Syöte National Park

Pärjänjoki canoeing route is unforgettable. The river meanders through lush riverbanks as well as rugged hill forests. Several I & II class rapids offer some challenges for canoers.

Paddling might not be the most common way to get around in Syöte, but its smallish rivers are perfect for paddlers! The lush green banks of the Pärjänjoki River offer paddlers plenty to see along the entire 22-kilometre route. Winding its way through fell forests, the river is fun to paddle, even though its rapids might be a bit on the dry side in high summer. The official paddling route starts at Kuivakoski, where there is a boat launch and small parking area. There are several class I and II

rapids along the Pärjänjoki River. The fastest, most demanding of these is the last section of rapids, Vannekoski, just before Harriranta, where there is a landing. The paddling route continues another 30 km from Harriranta to the Livojoki River, but the best stretch for a day trip is from Kuivakoski to Harriranta. The Pärjänjoki River is well suited to paddlers with a bit of experience, but even beginners can paddle the route with more experienced paddlers.





- TRAVEL TIME: One day.
- challenge Level: Suitable for canoeists with some experience.

START AND FINISH:

Kuivakoski, Karsikkoperäntie 861, 93280 Pudasjärvi. Rytinki road (no. 858) bridge, Harriranta.silta, Harriranta (Rytinkisalmentie 2040, 93280 Pudasjärvi).

EQUIPMENT:

A canoe or kayak. A kayaking life vest, a paddle, a helmet for rapids. Waterproof shoes, weatherproof kayaking clothing. In cold waters, a neoprene or dry suit. Sunglasses and a sun hat. A drink, a picnic, spare clothing, a rubbish bag, a first aid kit, a charged phone in a watertight container and a map. To light a fire: matches and a knife. Bring your own toilet paper. Pack your gear in a waterproof container, for example a dry sack. Companies that rent equipment can usually provide you with the gear needed for kayaking/paddling.

! SAFETY:

- In case of an emergency, call 112.
- Paddlers must be able to swim
- Familiarize yourself with the route before setting off
- During a flood, you cannot trust the route descriptions and classification of rapids More information about hiking in Finland: nationalparks.fi/hikinginfinland

II RULES AND GUIDELINES:

- There are no waste containers and no waste management at the national park. More information: nationalparks.fi/hikinginfinland/ visitorguidelines/litter
- Please note that fires are prohibited during forest fire warnings at all campfire sites that are not equipped with a flue.

Instructions and rules of the national park: nationalparks.fi/syote/instructionsandrules











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