

SPRING CAMP in Inari and Ivalo, FINLAND 2026

District 1385

NAME:	Exploring Finnish Lapland in Spring in Inari and Ivalo		28.11.2025
WHERE:	Ivalo, Inari and Riutula		
WHEN:	Mar 29th – Apr 6th, 2026. Camp Period Mar 29th – Apr 3rd Family Period Apr 3rd – Apr 6th		
ARRIVAL:	Ivalo Airport , Mar 29th via Helsinki.		
DEPARTURE:	Ivalo Airport, Apr 6h via Helsinki.		
PARTICIPANTS:	20 participants, interested in nature and activities in nature.		
AGE:	15 – 17		
PROGRAMME:	The camp consists of two parts. First part will be held at Vasatokka Youth Center . During the camp week we will all stay together in Riutula which is located by the beautiful Lake Muddus . There will be a lot of outdoor activities by the lake and in the forest, in the surrounding nature. The participants will then spend four nights together with the host families in Inari area to get an idea of the Finnish way of life and learn to know the Inari area .		
LANGUAGE:	Camp language is English.		
ORGANIZERS:	Ivalo Rotary Club		
EQUIPMENT:	Your personal medication and suitable clothing for outdoor activities and hiking. March and April are the best early spring months to enjoy winter activities such as ice fishing and skiing. Sun is already shining, and the daytime temperature is typically between -15 ... +10 °C. In case you want to try ice swimming, take your swimming gear with you.		
CAMP FEE:	325 euros		
OTHER COSTS:	Participants pay their own costs to and from Ivalo and shall have their own pocket money. Organizing Rotarians will meet the student at the arrival airport and will take care of all ground transportations in Finland.		
INSURANCE:	Participants must have a valid insurance policy in case of sickness and injury. We urge the student to purchase the insurance from CISI Bolduc , which is approved by Rotary. Select "Plan B" or "Plan D" from the offered options.		
APPLICATIONS:	The applicant must use the official Rotary Youth Exchange – Short-Term Exchange Program (STEP) Camp Application form when applying to the camp. Camp places are confirmed as we receive acceptable applications. Final deadline for the applications is 31st January, 2026.		
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Finnish Lapland has daylight from 6 am to 8 pm in April. Great opportunities to winter activities.



If conditions are favorable in the night one may see Northern Lights.