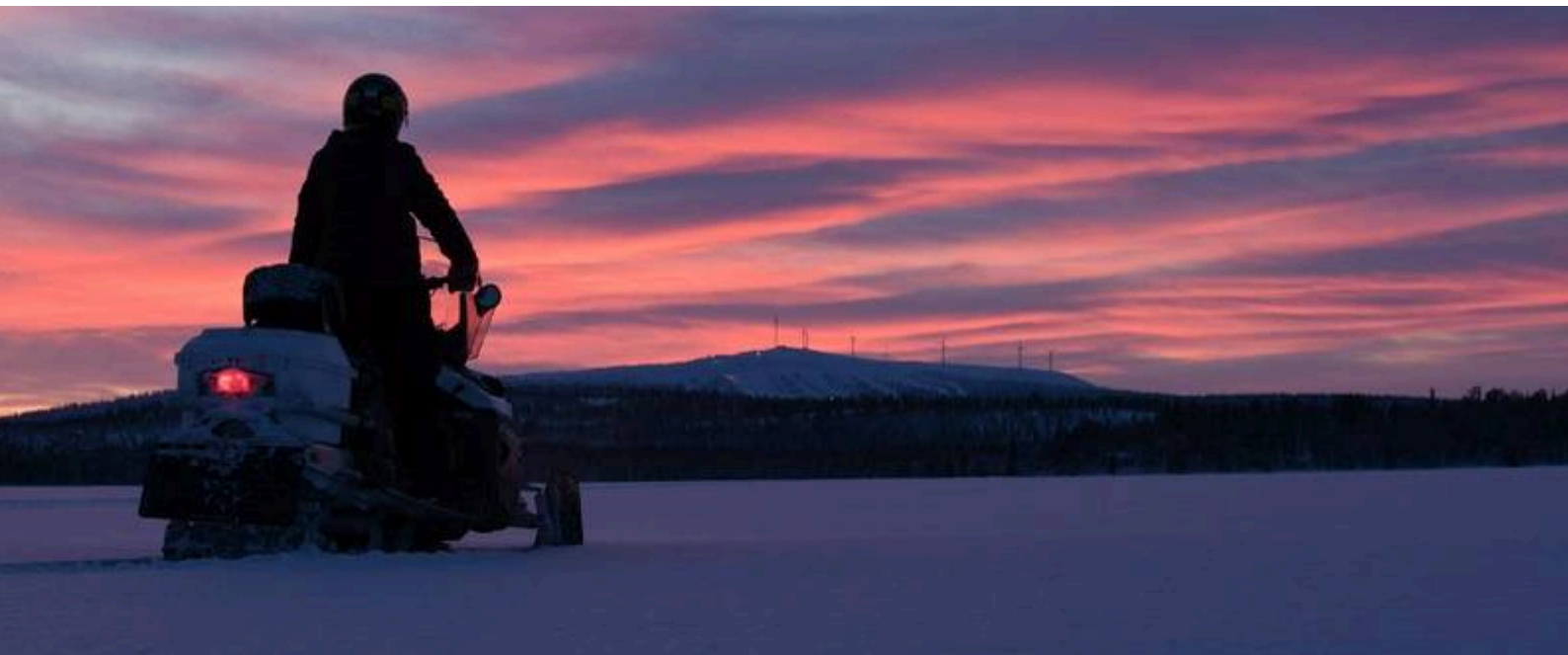




# Harriniva - Powder Pro Snowmobile



**HOLIDAY TYPE:** Small Group

**VISITING:** Finland

**BROCHURE CODE:** 5006

**DURATION:** 4 nights

## In Brief

If you have previous snowmobiling experience and you're looking for a thrilling winter adventure then look no further. Follow your knowledgeable guides across frozen lakes, through deep powder snow and to the top of the surrounding fells during this unbelievable adventure.

## Our Opinion

*“ Adrenaline junkies look no further – this is the trip for you! We covered vast distances through dense forests, over remote fells and frozen lakes. The awe-inspiring scenery coupled with the excitement of whizzing through deep powdery snow left me feeling completely breathless. ”*

Amy Walkington-Gray



## What's included?

- **Transfers:** return airport transfers are included
- **Accommodation:** 2 nights safari house and 2 nights shared cabin or apartment
- **Meals:** 4 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners
- **Activities:** 3 days snowmobile safari with own snowmobile (must have a valid driving licence)
- Cold weather clothing for the duration of your stay
- Fully qualified wilderness guides and instructors during activities and dedicated on-site Artisan Travel Company representative at Harriniva
- **A note on flights:** whilst flights are **not** included in the holiday price, our team will happily provide a quote and arrange them for you. Simply ask one of our travel experts for details of the available options from your preferred departure airport. Direct flights are available on some dates and our team will offer you the best available flights and fares

## Trip Overview

The Harriniva Powder Pro experience is a four-night adrenalin-filled quick-fix for all adventurers looking for fun. Travelling by snowmobile, you can take full advantage of the Arctic landscape by crossing frozen lakes and snowy forests. With every mile, your skills improve and your admiration of this beautiful landscape grows.

In the 1960s, the introduction of snowmobiles to this far-flung corner of the world revolutionised daily life here. Essential links between remote communities were secured and the important work of reindeer herders was made much more efficient. Still very much favoured today, the snowmobiles are a top pick by visitors to the region for recreation by giving them the chance to explore larger areas of the wilderness in the shortest time.

Across Northern Finland and up by the Norwegian border, your guide leads you out into deep powder snow, where you really learn how to handle these powerful machines in any conditions. You are in the best hands here with expert guides whose endless enthusiasm for snowmobiling makes this an awesome Lapland holiday experience.

**Please note:** some previous experience of snowmobiling is required and you will need a full driving

licence to participate in this holiday.

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# Agenda

Please note the order of activities is subject to change

DAY  
1

ARRIVAL AND WELCOME

From the airport, you will be transferred to your shared accommodation for the first night of your holiday. This will vary depending on availability but could be at any of the Pietikäinen family's three hotels or a safari house located near the Harriniva Wilderness Hotel (max distance of around 5km). If you are staying in one of the hotels then you will enjoy your evening meal in that hotel restaurant; if you are staying in one of the safari houses the hotel will provide a minibus to take you to dinner. You will be provided with full information regarding your accommodation for the first and final nights of your stay upon arrival. If you would like to upgrade to a private en-suite hotel room for the start and end of your stay then please ask our Travel Experts for a quotation.

For an extra special start or end to your holiday, it is possible to upgrade to an Aurora Dome or a night in the Torassieppi Winter Village. Please see the '[Personalise](#)' section for more details.

**Included Meals:** Dinner

DAY  
2

SAFARI TO GALDOTIEVA (100KM)

Breakfast is followed by a briefing with your guide about the upcoming programme. You will be given your warm snowmobile jacket and trousers, boots, socks, mittens, hat, gloves, balaclava and helmet for the trip. You will need to pack a small rucksack with any personal items you wish to take with you. The rest of your luggage will be stored securely at Harriniva whilst you are out on the trail.

Your knowledgeable and experienced guide will give you full safety instructions and driving training before setting out into the Arctic landscape. On your first day, you will cover around 100km, crossing frozen lakes and driving through snow-laden forests. It's a great way to fully appreciate the scale and beauty of these magnificent surroundings.

Sometime later in the afternoon, a warm sauna and dinner await at Galdotieva Wilderness Centre (on the Norwegian border). This night out on the trail is spent in comfortable log cabins or apartments, where you can relax and look back on this amazing day's adventure.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY  
3

## SNOWMOBILING IN THE FELLS (80-100KM)

After breakfast, your journey takes you to the treeless fell region near the Norwegian border

Depending on weather conditions and the skills of the participants, you will travel around 80-100km before heading back to Galdotieva for dinner and a sauna.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY  
4

## SAFARI TO HARRINIVA (100KM)

Your adventure continues after breakfast as you head back towards Muonio and Harriniva. Travelling around 100km and buzzing with excitement, you arrive back at the hotel ready to share your stories at tonight's farewell dinner.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY  
5

## DEPARTURE

After breakfast, you will be transferred back to the airport for your flights home.

Alternatively, if you would like to extend your stay at Harriniva then we can arrange for you to enjoy a wealth of additional activities and experiences. Just speak to one of our Travel Experts for details.

**Included Meals:** Breakfast

## Included Accommodation

Harriniva Wilderness Hotel (Nights: 1,4)



Ideally located in the north-west corner of Finland, high above the Arctic Circle and in the very heart of the Aurora Zone, Harriniva Wilderness Hotel serves as a perfect base for your adventure holiday.

Owned and run by the Pietikäinen family, the hotel has developed a growing reputation for its warm ambience and the large range of enjoyable activities on offer.

## Hotel facilities

The hotel has a range of facilities that have been designed to make your stay here as enjoyable as possible.

- There is free Wi-Fi throughout for guest use, in our experience, we have found it works best in the main reception and dining area
- The hotel restaurant consists of three separate dining areas. The meals are served in a buffet style with two or three choices for each course. The food here is hearty and wholesome
- The hotel also has a pub serving a range of beers, wines and spirits - this is the perfect place to unwind and relax with your fellow guests in the evening
- Tea and coffee are available free of charge throughout the day in the hotel restaurant / bar area.
- In the main reception area of the hotel, you will find a small gift shop selling a range of postcards, soft toys and handcrafted products. There is also a selection of snacks that can be purchased
- A sauna is available for guest use with separate facilities for men and women. This is free of charge and is heated every evening for around three hours
- The hotel also has an Aurora Wellness Centre (situated a short walk away on the riverbank), where you can enjoy a range of therapies such as facials or massages. A real treat after a day of sapping up the pristine wilderness! During peak periods, we would strongly recommend booking therapies in advance through reception (all payable locally)
- Snowshoes and cross-country skis are available to hire for a small charge and there are marked trails surrounding the hotel for those with some experience. For those interested in downhill skiing, the reception will be able to arrange a taxi to the nearby ski resort of Olos (payable locally).

## Room types

**Double/twin rooms:** Harriniva has 64 guest bedrooms which consist of twin or double rooms. Triple rooms are also available on request. Decorated in traditional Scandinavian style, all rooms have an en-suite shower room and a hairdryer.

**Safari House:** For those travelling on our longer husky or snowmobile experiences, your nights before and after setting out on your adventure you will stay either at one of the Pietikäinen family's three hotels (in a shared room) or a safari house located near the Harriniva Wilderness Hotel (max distance of around 5km). If you are staying in one of the hotels then you will enjoy your evening meal in that hotel restaurant, if you are staying in one of the safari houses the hotel will provide a minibus to take you to dinner. You will be provided with full information regarding your accommodation for the first and final nights of your stay upon arrival. If you would like to upgrade to a private en-suite hotel room for the start and end of your stay then please ask our Travel Experts for a quotation. If you are staying in one of the Safari Houses then each has sleeping facilities, a shower room, toilet, hairdryer and a sauna.

**Wilderness plus rooms:** These recently renovated rooms include double/twin beds and an unfolding sofa suitable for 1 adult or 2 children. Decorated in traditional Scandinavian style, all rooms have an en-suite shower room and a hairdryer, as well as a small seating area

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## Galdotieva Fell Centre (Nights: 2-3)



Situated close to the Norwegian border, Galdotieva Fell Centre is a spectacularly isolated spot on the route to Norway, which will play a significant part in your wilderness adventure. With very few cars or people passing this way, the vast landscape will take your breath away.

The shared cabins have a perfect position to capture remarkable views across the frozen wilds with nothing else in sight so you can experience uninterrupted views of the Northern skies and the possibility of exceptional Aurora viewing.

## Hotel facilities

The main building is a short walk away from the ten cabins. Here you will find the simple restaurant

that serves wholesome and hearty meals for all you adventurers. Browse around the shop, a favourite with locals on their way to and from Norway, which stocks almost everything from outdoor gear to reindeer steaks! It is a great place to meet some locals who are passing through.

## Room types

Galdotieva can accommodate around 50 guests in a total of 10 cabins.

Our guests stay in one of the four larger cabins which sleep four to eight guests. The cabins are simple yet cosy and comfortable providing a welcome retreat after a day of adventures. Each cabin contains a kitchenette, sauna, shower, WC, fireplace and TV. There is a dormitory style sleeping area on the second floor.

# The Specifics

## Holiday group size (approximate)

Approximately 4 - 17 people.

## Group Size

We always try to provide an approximation of the group size you can expect to be with for the duration of each of our holidays. It may be that you are joined by others for parts of your holiday (such as transfers and particular activities) but the above number reflects those you can normally expect to be with from beginning to end. If group size is something which is particularly important to you, please speak to our Travel Experts and they can suggest the best holidays for you.

Tailor-made holiday group sizes will vary for all activities as will the group size for any additional activities you book.

## Minimum and maximum age

If a specific minimum age applies to this holiday, it can be found in the Key Facts box on the holiday Overview page.

Unless otherwise stated in the in the Key Facts box on the holiday Overview page, the minimum age for participation in an Artisan holiday is typically 8 years old (there may be younger children in some destinations who have booked with other companies). If an adult-only environment is important to you, then please contact our Travel Experts and they will advise on the best dates and destinations for you. If you are looking for a holiday designed specifically for families then please see our sister company [www.activitiesabroad.com](http://www.activitiesabroad.com)

## Itinerary amendments

The order of activities listed in this agenda is provided for guidance only, your final and detailed itinerary will be provided either with your final travel documents (which are uploaded into your online account around a week prior to departure) or upon arrival.

## Terms and Conditions

Our full booking terms and conditions can be found on our website: <https://www.artisantravel.co.uk/booking-conditions>