

The Ultimate Aurora Quest

Maximise your chances of seeing the Northern Lights – and hopefully return with some stunning photographs! This exclusive new tour is offered in conjunction with Aurora Hunters Ltd, and will be led by a professional photographer/aurora hunter. The tour includes three evenings of aurora hunting and enjoyable daytime activities in the pristine wilderness. With groups comprising just 4-7 people the tour offers excellent value for such a unique experience.

The tour starts with three nights at the Hotel Kultahovi in Inari, in Finnish Lapland. Half-board is included in their excellent restaurant, and the superior bedrooms we have reserved have private sauna, and north facing balcony or terrace overlooking Lake Inari. Two evenings will be spent aurora hunting and during the daytime you will enjoy a husky safari, a visit to a reindeer farm and an excursion by snowmobile sledge to the Wilderness Church. From Inari it takes just an hour and a half to reach Karasjok in Norway, where two night Bed and Breakfast are included at the attractive Rica Hotel (see page 7). In the afternoon you travel north to the Porsangerfjord – the innermost reach of the Arctic Ocean – where the frozen waves provide unique photo opportunities! Dinner can be taken in a cosy local restaurant before an evening of aurora hunting in this magnificent location. Next morning you have a guided visit to the Sapmi Park, with a splendid multi-media presentation giving a real insight into the Sami history, culture and mythology. You are then free to explore the Sami 'capital' as you please.



Northern Lights near Inari, Finland and frozen waves on Porsangerfjord, Norway.

THE ULTIMATE AURORA QUEST

5 NIGHTS

Ref. AQ6

DEPARTURE DATES:

Saturdays 28 Jan, 11, 25 Feb, 10, 17, 24 March

ITINERARY

SAT. 10.20 Depart Heathrow for Helsinki and onward flight to Ivalo arriving 18.50. Taxi transfer to Hotel Kultahovi, Inari.

4 nights Half-board – Hotel Kultahovi.

SUN. Welcome meeting, presentation and distribution of warm clothing. Transfer to husky farm for two-hour Husky Safari. Afternoon at leisure. Evening aurora-hunting.

MON. Morning visit to Reindeer Farm. Afternoon excursion by snowmobile sledge to Wilderness Church. Evening aurora-hunting.

TUES. Morning transfer to Karasjok. Afternoon departure to Porsangerfjord, with aurora hunting in the evening.

2 nights Bed and Breakfast, Rica Hotel, Karasjok (see page 7).

WEDS. Morning guided visit to the Sapmi Park including the splendid multi-media presentation. The rest of the day is at leisure to maybe visit the impressive Sami Parliament building or shop for souvenirs.

THURS. 08.30 Departure for Ivalo Airport for 13.30 flight to Helsinki, and onward flight to Heathrow, arriving 17.10

PRICES in £s per person departing from: HEATHROW

Tour Ref	Twin	Single
AQ6	2350	2550

Price includes:

Scheduled Finnair flights. Departure Taxes. Half-board accommodation in Inari. Bed and Breakfast accommodation in Karasjok. Transfers and transport throughout. Husky safari, visit to reindeer farm and snowmobile excursion in Inari. Guided tour of Sapmi Park, Karasjok. 3 evenings Aurora-Hunting (min 15 hours). Services of professional photographer/aurora-hunter throughout the tour. Photographic tuition. Warm clothing/boots throughout.

FLIGHT SUPPLEMENTS MANCHESTER £100

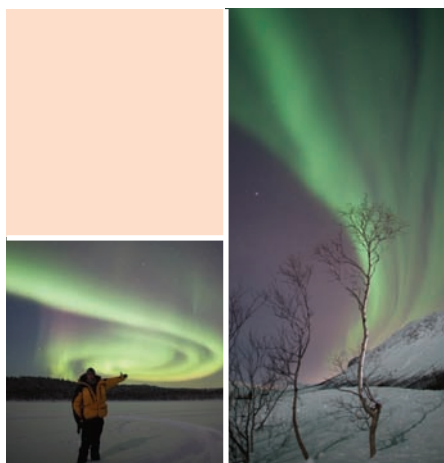
WINTER ACTIVITIES

All activities quoted are operated by local suppliers for whom we act as Agent. We have selected the most reputable suppliers and we are confident they will do everything possible to ensure your safety and enjoyment. Occasionally conditions may dictate that an activity has to be cancelled and in these circumstances a refund will be given by Specialised Tours on your return to the UK, unless a suitable alternative can be agreed. A valid Driving licence is needed to drive a snowmobile. Please be aware that Snowmobile and Husky Safaris can be quite bumpy in certain conditions and may not be advisable if you have back problems or are pregnant. If in doubt please ask your doctor.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

In your own interest it is a condition of booking that you have adequate insurance cover to protect you against cancellation costs, medical expenses, repatriation, loss of luggage, personal liability etc. We recognise that many people now have annual travel insurance cover, or may have found a company that caters well for any individual needs or pre-existing conditions.

If this is not the case, we are an affiliate of Gold Cover Insurance Services and can recommend them as travel insurance providers. They are authorised and regulated by the Financial Service Authority. You can contact them on 01892 559532 or online at www.specialisedtours.goldcover.net. Please inform them that you are a client of Specialised Tours.



Andy Keen, Aurora Hunter.

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