

### **Private Best of Helsinki Shore Excursion**



This private bus tour will begin in the cruise port, with a professional local guide welcoming you to the capital of Finland. You will enjoy a comprehensive tour describing Helsinki, its history and its must-sees without a lot of walking. However, you will still be able to enjoy the Scandinavian atmosphere of this city during a short stroll through the old center in the end of the tour.











Duration 4 hrs



Activity Level Moderate



Tour category **Private Tours** 







# **Prices**

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Party of 1 - \$682.0 per person Party of 2 - \$344.0 per person Party of 3 - \$249.0 per person Party of 4 - \$189.0 per person Party of 5 - \$152.0 per person Party of 6 - \$150.0 per person Party of 7 - \$129.0 per person Party of 8 - \$114.0 per person Party of 9 - \$102.0 per person Party of 10 - \$92.0 per person Party of 11 - \$85.0 per person Party of 12 - \$78.0 per person Party of 13 - **\$72.0** per person Party of 14 - **\$68.0** per person Party of 15 - **\$73.0** per person Party of 16 - **\$69.0** per person Party of 17 - **\$66.0** per person Party of 18 - **\$62.0** per person Party of 19 - **\$59.0** per person Party of 20 - **\$57.0** per person

### **Highlights**

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**Market Square** 

45 min

Market square in the center of Helsinki is the most exciting place of the city. It's located on the seashore next to the ferry. You can find everything there. All sorts of season fruit and berries, mushrooms, smoked fish, flowers, souvenirs, traditional clothing, furs, leather, name it. One can spend hours digging through the carved bone  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left($ statuettes or enjoying the beer with fresh grilled salmon.



Mannerheimintie

15 min

Mannerheimintie is the main street of Helsinki, as well as the longest street of the city. It follows the path of the old road to Tampere>, Finland's old capital. Mannerheimintie begins at the Esplanada street and goes all the way north to the city limits.



Uspenski Cathedral

30 min

Located on a hill above the Helsinki harbor, red brick Uspensky cathedral can be seen from far away. It's the largest Orthodox Church of Northern Europe. The style of the cathedral is a tribute to the Russian Revival period when the best of the old times architectural ideas were used to create the magnificent constructions. The church is worth going inside to see the impressive iconostases



**Rock Church** 

30 min

Temppeliaukion Church is often called the church in the rock. Finland blends the natural landscape of the region to create the beautiful urban environment and this is the best example of it. The church is built into the huge granite rock. It's simple but very elegant with granite walls and glass ceiling. Services daily.



Helsinki Cathedral

30 min

Helsinki Cathedral is a gorgeous white Lutheran church also called the Cathedral of St. Nicholas. It's the main church of the town. The church was opened in 1852 and dedicated to the name saint of Russian emperor Nicholas 1st, as Finland was the province of Russia at that time.



**Central Train Station** 

The Central Train Station of Helsinki is a large impressive building, decorated with the massive statues on the both sides of the doors. It was named one of the world's most beautiful railway stations by BBC in 2013.

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07:45 - 08:00 Meet your guide and driver outside the main port gate.

08:00 - 10:20 Depart for a scenic drive through the downtown of Helsinki. The first stop after being picked up from the ship is Market Square. The tour continues along beautiful Esplanadi and Mannerheim streets up to Central Train Station. Our driver will also take you along such sights as Uspensky cathedral, Presidential Palace, National Museum and Finlandia Hall, Opera House, Finlandia

10:20 - 10:50 The next t remarkable place of Helsinki you are goin to see is the Olympic Stadium. Back in 1952, the Olympic Games were held in Finland. Quite close to the Stadium is the Sibelius Park with a monument to Ian Sibelius - a great Finnish composer. You will also have

a possibility to take photos here.

Concert Hall and Parlament Building.

10:50 - 11:20 Our guide then will take you to see the Rock Church. This is a unique highlight in Helsinki and is considered to be one of the Europe's most interesting churches. Being carved out of solid rock, it has a copper dome installed.

The church's interior is bathed in natural light which enters here through the dome. The church is used frequently as a concert venue due to its excellent acoustic, which is ensured

by the rocky surfaces.

11:20 - 11:50 Our panoramic tour concludes by relaxing walk in the city center of Finnish capital. Being a step closer to the beauties you've seen from the window - what could be better? After the walk you can either have your lunch in a local restaurant in the center and have some free time for shopping, or you can

> return back to the ship together with your group.

11.50 - 12.00 Back way to the port of Helsinki

12:00 - 12:15 Return back to the ship Attention! The specified tour start time is the earliest available or an example! Usually, all tours start 30 minutes after your ship docks. Your tour start time will be adjusted accordingly after you book. If you have questions, please talk to our Shore Excursion Specialist to find out the exact tour start time for your ship.

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### **INCLUDED IN TOUR**



### **NOT INCLUDED IN TOUR**



## **IMPORTANT INFO**

- Private professional tour guide (4 hrs)
- Pick-up from port of Helsinki by tourist-class
- Panoramic driving tour of Helsinki

**DAY PLAN** 

- Guided walking tour of city centre
- Entrance fee to Rock Church (\*upon availability, might be closed due to religious and private event)
- Drop-off at the port of Helsinki

- Meals / snacks
- Drinks / coffee break
- Any other admissions / donations
- Tips / Gratuity

IMPORTANT: NO refunds for late

passengers or for those who don't read their Helsinki Meeting Instructions and have been waiting at the wrong location.

Please note, a surcharge of 25% applies on Sundays and all public holidays. This additional charge is added to the total group price given in the booking form. Public holidays in 2020: 19.06, 20.06, 31.10, 06.12, 24.12, 25.12 and 26.12

