SUOMENLINNA REPRESENTS OUR SHARED UNIVERSAL HERITAGE

World Heritage Sites are treasures of the Earth places so amazing that people have decided together to conserve them for future generations. There are more than a thousand World Heritage Sites around the world, and Suomenlinna is one of them.

The World Heritage sites are selected by United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization UNESCO. The sites may have been built by man or shaped by nature, but they have one thing in common: they are so unique that everyone should join in their protection.

Suomenlinna is owned by the state of Finland. The old fortress needs constant repairs and maintenance. These are the tasks of the Governing Body of Suomenlinna, where gardeners, architects, carpenters, plumbers, among many others, take care of the fortress.

Do you want to help us protect Suomenlinna? It’s easy: make sure to put your trash in a bin, stay on the marked paths, and respect the buildings, plants, and animals of the fortress. Thank you!

THE HISTORY OF THREE COUNTRIES

In 1745, when Finland was still a part of Sweden, Augustin Ehrensvärd began the construction work on the sea fortress. The fortress was needed to protect Sweden against Russia. Back then, Suomenlinna was known as Viapori. In 1808, Viapori surrendered to the Russian forces, and the next year, the entire country of Finland became a part of Russia, which it would stay for more than one hundred years. The fortress became the property of independent Finland in 1918, and its name was changed to Suomenlinna, which means “the castle of Finland”.

Today, Suomenlinna is one of the most popular tourist destinations in Finland and attracts visitors from around the world. Suomenlinna is also a district of Helsinki, with 800 residents living there year-round. The fortress is like a small village with a kindergarten, school, grocery shop, and library.

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The tiny café for all ages. Open all year.
The feeling of an old-time grandmother's
home. Delicious pastries and soup of the day.

BASTION BISTRO
Open all year.

CAFÉ VANILLE
The tiny café is as cozy as a doll’s house.
Convenient location close to the main quay.

CAFÉ SILO
Convenient location close to the main quay.
Good coffee and pastries.

VIAPORIN DELI & CAFÉ
Lunches, salads, sandwiches and
pastries, children's lunches half-price.
Open all year.

RESTAURANT SUOMENLINNA BREWERY
Delicious food near the ferry pier.
Special children's menu, some of the dishes can be halved.
Open all year.

SUOMENLINNA CENTER CAFÉ
Savoury and sweet snacks. Also remember to visit the Suomenlinna
Museum and get to know the story of the fortress. Open all year.

ADLERFELT
Suomenlinna's finest neon lights
delicates for visitors of all ages.
Open all year round.

CAFÉ BAR VALIMO
Have some pasta or salmon soup
while admiring the boats in the
guest marina. Children's sizes
available for all dishes.

CAFÉ PIPER
Savoury and sweet snacks in
a charming café building. The terrace
has a splendid view of the sea.

PIZZERIA NIKOLAI
Enjoy a pizza with a crisp crust
inside the fortress walls or on the
sunny terrace at the tip of
Kustaanmiekka.

RESTAURANT WALHALLA (CLOSED 2022–2023)
An optimal place for fine dining.
New children's menu every day.
We recommend reserving a table
in advance.

LONNA RESTAURANT
Beautiful and colourful organic local
food from seasonal delicacies.

LONNA COFFEE SHOP
Paradise for waffle lovers.

Did you know you can
visit Suomenlinna year-round? The sea voyage is particularly
exciting during the winter frost
as the blocks of ice bang against
the sides of the ferry!

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LÄNSI-MUSTASAARI

PikkU Mustasaari

ISO MUSTASAARI

Susisaari

KUSTAANMIEKKA

VALLISAARI

Lonna restaurant & coffee shop
Sail in an 18th century
atmosphere aboard the
cannon sloop Diana.

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