

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

How to reach the city and the hotel from the airport

By taxi

Taxis can always be found in front of the airport arrivals hall. The going rate between the airport and the centre of Helsinki is approximately 40 €.

By bus

Finnair City Bus and Airport Bus no 615 (no 620 during night time) operate to and from Helsinki City Center (central railway station).

Ticket prices

Airport Bus: 5 €/one way ticket, transfer allowed to tram, bus, metro or commuter train during one hour

Finnair City Bus: 6.30 €/one way

For further information: www.finnavia.fi/en/helsinki-airport/arriving/

How to reach the hotel from the city centre

By taxi or tram

To reach the hotel Scandic Grand Marina in the city centre (railway station)

- take the taxi from the front of the railway station OR,
- take the tram number 4 (destination Katajanokka) from Mannerheimintie from front of the department store Sokos. Alight at the 5th stop and the Scandic Grand Marina hotel is one block down on the right hand side.

By foot

It is about 1,5 km destination from the railway station to the hotel.

From railway station follow signs toward Katajanokka. Head along Kaivokatu to Keskuskatu, turn left at Stockmann´s department store. Then left along Pohjoisesplanadi towards Market Place and Katajanokka. After passing Market Place (on your right) and the Presidential Palace (on your left) turn right into Katajanokka and you will see the Scandic Grand Marina hotel.

For further information:

<http://www.scandichotels.com/Hotels/Finland/Helsinki/Scandic-Grand-Marina/?hotelpage=overview>

Getting around in Helsinki

By tram, bus, underground

The HSL (Helsingin Seudun Liikenne) is responsible for most of the public transport in the Helsinki Capital region. Helsinki and neighbour cities (Espoo, Vantaa, Kauniainen, Kerava, Sipoo and Kirkkonummi) have an integrated ticketing system, and HSL´s tickets are valid on all buses, commuter trains, trams, underground and the Suomenlinna ferry.

The price of the ticket depends on the zone(s) in which you wish to travel: the price varies according to the number of zones in which you travel. You can transfer from one vehicle to another with the same ticket during one hour.

- **One-zone journeys:** Journeys within one municipality in Helsinki, Espoo and Kauniainen, Vantaa, and Kirkkonummi, Kerava and Sipoo form one zone.
- **A regional ticket:** entitles you to travel in Helsinki, Espoo, Kauniainen and Vantaa.
- **A 2-zone:** extended regional ticket (Region 2-zone) entitles you to travel in Espoo, Kauniainen, Vantaa, Kerava, Sipoo and Kirkkonummi. The ticket is not valid in Helsinki and it does not allow travel via Helsinki.
- **A 3-zone:** extended regional ticket (Region 3-zone) entitles you to travel in Helsinki, Espoo, Kauniainen, Vantaa, Kerava, Sipoo and Kirkkonummi.

Ticket fares in Helsinki area and in regional area Helsinki-Espoo-Vantaa-Kauniainen

Ticket fares	in Helsinki area	in regional area	Valid
Single ticket from a ticket machine	2,50 €	5,00 €	from the moment of purchase
Single tram ticket from a ticket machine			only on trams from the moment of purchase
Single ticket from a bus, train or tram from a driver or conductor	3,00 €	5,00 €	from the moment of purchase
Night-time single ticket 2.00am - 4.30 am	5,00 €	6,00 €	from the moment of purchase
Two-hour ticket from a retail kiosks (R-kioski)	4,00 €	7,00 €	from when is showed to a card reader
Suomenlinna ticket, valid for 12 hours	5,00 €		only on the Suomenlinna ferry
One-day ticket from bus, train or tram	8,00 €	12,00 €	
One-day ticket from a ticket machine	8,00 €	12,00 €	
Two-days ticket from a ticket machine	12,00 €	18,00 €	

By taxi

Taxis in Helsinki are top quality and the drivers are professional. Taxis have yellow roof signs, which say in black TAKSI or TAXI. When the taxi light is on, the cab is available. Please note, the passengers in taxi must use seat belts. Taxi rates depend on the distance between where you are picked up and where you are dropped off. It also depends on your final destination. For further information: <http://www.lahitaksi.fi/en>

The weather in Helsinki in June

In June, the weather in Helsinki could be sunny, cloudy or rainy. The number of days' rain for this month is around 14. It is recommended that you bring an umbrella with you, just in case. The average temperature is 20°C but it can be as low as 9°C or as high as 28°C.

Notice that in June, the sun is only few hours below the horizon, you might find it difficult to sleep during the night. For example, in 16th June, the sun rises at 3.54 am and sets at 22.49 pm.

Recommended hotel

The Criminal Sanction Agency in Finland has negotiated preferential rate at the following hotel:

Scandic Grand Marina, Katajanokanlaituri 7, FI-00160 Helsinki, tel: +358 9 16661

grandmarina@scandichotels.com

<http://www.scandichotels.com/Hotels/Finland/Helsinki/Scandic-Grand-Marina/?hotelpage=overview>

Negotiated rates, breakfast included	Single	Double
Standard room	129 €	149 €
Family superior	149 €	169 €
Superior extra	159 €	179 €
Junior Suite	299 €	-
Bigger Suite without Sauna	329 €	-
Bigger Suite with Sauna	339 €	-

Getting to the meetings

Meetings will be held from Tuesday 17 to Wednesday 18 June 2014 at the **Scandic Marina Congress Center**, situated at Katajanokanlaituri 6, 00160 Helsinki. The Marina Congress Center is across the street of The Scandic Grand Marina Hotel.

Venue of the welcome reception on 16 June

A welcome reception will be held on 16 June 2014 at the **Government Banquet Hall Smolna**. Reception is hosted by Ms Tiina Astola, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Justice of Finland. Transport will be provided by the organisers from the hotel to Smolna.

Venue of the official dinner on 17 June

An official dinner will be held on 17 June 2014 at the Wanha Satama restaurant, situated in Pikku Satamakatu 3-5, 00160 Helsinki. Wanha Satama restaurant is about 150 metres walk from the hotel.

Emergency numbers

The following numbers may be useful in case of emergency:

- **Firemen and ambulances:** 112
- **Police emergency number:** 112
- **Chemists open outside normal hours:** 0300 20200
- 24-hour health service information: +358 9 10023 or www.0910023.fi

Useful to know

Drinking water, Tap water is perfectly safe for drinking.

Local time, Finland is in the Eastern Europe Time Zone EET: GMT +2 hours.

Electric appliances, the electric current in Finland is 220V (230V), 50 Hz. A two-pin plug is used.

Tipping, Tips are welcome when you are satisfied and happy with the service, but are not obligatory.

Things to do and see in Helsinki

On your arrival the organisers will give you brochures indicating leisure-time activities, tourist routes through Helsinki and other tourist information. For further information: www.visithelsinki.fi