



Welcome around the year

You have found your way to the countryside of the lakes. Here you can fish, hike, paddle, bike, ski, or ice skate. Perhaps you dream of driving your own dog sled team, or just hike and enjoy the silence of a wonderfully calming landscape. Here you will find the villages of Skaulo, Puoltikasvaara, Moskojärvi, Neitisuando, Killinge, Lappeasuando, Avvakko, Fjällåsen and Kaitum.





Soutujärvibygden

Winter



Cross-country skiing

is a popular way to exercise and there are many fine trails here. In Skaulo there is one 1 km trail lit by electric lights, and another one of 2.8 km. In Puoltikasvaara are several trails to choose from. You'll find the map of the tracks at the starting point at Puoltikasjärvi.

Don't disturb - don't destroy

It is our shared responsibility to follow the Swedish Right of Public Access. Therefore, it is important to find out which rights you have while visiting our region and Sweden in general.

Snowmobile

You pass our villages when you go with snowmobile between Gällivare and Kiruna. If you choose to go east, you will come to the villages Vettasjärvi and Nilivaara. Go west and you

Kaamos

The last weekend in January we celebrate the returning of the light. We do this by making and lighting ice lanterns between the villages Puoltikasvaara and Skaulo. This is often the coldest period of the winter, so we drink hot broth and enjoy local music to warm ourselves from within.

Skiing in the forest

Most houses have a pair of real forest skis. These go well in deep, untouched snow. You can ski wherever you want, no trails needed. This is suitable for anyone who likes to work a little extra and wants to enjoy nature in its winter splendor.



come to the mountains. Kaitum, Killinge, and Fjällåsen are the last destinations before snow-covered expanses. Remember to be careful while driving so as not to disturb animals or destroy nature, and pay attention to local restrictions.

Act like a local

"Spring-winter" is one of the favorite seasons here. Put on your skis or rev up vour snowmobile, get out into nature, and find a place where you can build a sun pit. Soak up the sun and make a fire. Put the coffee in the coffee pan and place it on the fire, grill yourself a parisare or fry a souvas. Parisare are larger sausage slices eaten as hamburgers. Souvas is lightly smoked reindeer meat in smaller pieces, in a rolled-up flatbread with cloudberry or lingonberry sauce. Over the fire it is tasty and fun to bake campfire bread.



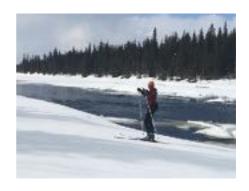


In spring you can go straight out onto the hard snow crust, across the lake, pass a forest, get out on the vast marshland and just glide in the warm rays of the spring sun. It is so wonderful that words can hardly describe it. One thing important to keep in mind is that the sun thins the snow crust – so go early in the morning to be sure that the snow surface holds up on the way back.



Dogsledding Tours

The dogs howl and jerk in the harnesses eager to run, and then suddenly silence when the anchor is unloaded and the sled slides away. In the countryside of Soutujärvi there are several companies that offer wonderful dog sledding tours in wintertime.



Sommar Swimming

Badviken is a nice beach at Soutujärvi, right next to the E10. Here you have the opportunity to sit down, eat your packed lunch, make a fire in the fireplace and just enjoy the view. Easily accessible. Långgrund is another beach on the lake Soutujärvi where you can play

in the sand, sunbathe, and swim if

you feel like it. The water is warm and nice as it is very shallow water, but do not be fooled and relax if you have toddlers who want to go a little further out. It gets deep, but it is usually marked where it begins.

Jag tar med mig mitt skräp!



Fishing

The countryside of Soutujärvi is surrounded by water. If you want to go fishing, there are many beautiful places to visit. There are fish stocked in smaller lakes such as in Marsijärvi or wild fish in the large river systems Kaitumälven and Kalixälven. Several of the companies in Soutujärvi offer fishing tours in extraordinary environments. Buy your fishing license at the grocery store in Skaulo or via ifiske.se search "Soutujärvi". Marsijärvi is perfect for fishing but offers more than that.

Canoe eller Kajak

Canoeing and kayaking allow you to discover nature from the water. You can paddle between the villages and get a completely different experience of the countryside.



Around the lake there is a walking path that is accessibility-adapted with stone meal walkways. There are also barbecue areas and outdoor toilets, "dass", as we Swedes say. A quiet place, both in summer and winter. During the winter you get here with skis, snowshoes or snowmobiles, the road is not snow-cleared.

Restless for a walk?

Be in nature in the way that feels good to you. From Kaitum there is a route to Nikkaluokta and Tjuonajokk. If you are visiting Kaitum you should definitely take a moment to admire the Kaitum chapel, built in 1964 to honor Dag Hammarsköld. You can reach Kaitum by train.

On the way to Kaitum you pass Killinge, with its waterfall. Next to the waterfall there is a cottage and a cold spring to refill your water bottles. Here is the starting point of some shorter hikes.

In Puoltikasvaara you can take a hike up the mountain Isovaara. The trail is about 3 km and easy. At the top there is a lookout tower. Taking the bakery in Puoltikasvaara as a point of reference, the trail starts at the same level, but on the other side of the road E10.

Pyhäkielinen is the mountain in the middle of the Soutujärvi countryside. This little hike begins in the village of Skaulo from a parking lot along the road towards Killinge.







This beautiful mountain offers a wonderful view of our fantastic lake Soutujärvi and the villages Skaulo and Puoltikasvaara.

The mountain next to Avvakko village is the beauty of the southern part of the Soutujärvi countryside – a low mountain with many faces. In

summer you can park on the turnaround and hike to the top.

Kainunjänkkä is one of the marshlands whose grass was harvested by scythe. There is a walking path to Kainunjänkkä and if you want you can take a break in the cottage.







Autumn

Enjoy the forests pantry

Some years mushrooms grow like weeds and if you are a mushroom expert, there is a lot to pick. Knowledge is important when it comes to mushrooms – do not pick if you are unsure. Cloudberries, blueberries, lingonberries and crowberries are some of the other healthy delights you can find here.



Ice Skating

In the fall before the snow arrives, when the ice has settled like a mirror, you can go skating on many of our fine lakes.



Hiking

Early autumn is a great time to hike – you avoid the mosquitoes and the air is fresh. Have a look at the tips above!







Tip! Check out the app "Norrbottens Naturkarta"



Camp Killinge

Cozy accommodation all year round with individual charm. killinge.com/camp/

Koskis stugor

Two simple cabins, one 4bedded and one with 2 beds. For more information call Ingela +46 (0)76 812 56 88

Kaitum River Resort

Naturebased accommodation with fishing opportunities in the Kaitumälven. kaitumriverresort.com

Snowtrail Dogcamp

Package tours with dog sledding and fishing with kayaks in the cozy Moskojärvi. snowtraildogcamp.com

Service office

serves as a mini-tourist agency and answers all questions. Bergvägen 10, Skaulo. soutujarvi.se



Tiny Lakeside Home offers

to Lake Soutujärvi with dogs as neighbors simplelifebasics.com

accommodation next

Tjuonajokk

Europe's best grayling fishing in the summertime and magical spring winter fishing fishyourdream.com

Nordic-Trail

Nordic trail offers accommodation and activities in Skaulo and Puoltikasvaara. nordic-trail.se



Lappeasuando

Offers accommodation, food, dog sled tours, scooters, and summer fishing. lappeasuando.com

Avvakko Adventures

Offers dog sled tours and rentals of kayaks next to the beautiful Avvakko mountain. avvakkoadventure.se

Livs Nära Dej

The village's grocery store along E10 in Skaulo. There is also a fuel pump here. skaulolivs.se

Bakery in Puoltikasvaara

Test the rumor of the local dating site.
Call +46 (0)970-500 70 or check out Facebook

Piilijärvi camping

Get a feeling of the northern farm environment. piilijarvi.com

Words worth knowing

- No niin Finnish expression meaning "yes" or "exactly", used very often here in the countryside. The emphasis will determine if it is a question, something positive, or if you are in trouble.
- Järvi and Vaara you will often find at the end of many place names. The words mean lake and mountains in Tornedal Finnish (Meänkieli).
- Jokk a stream in the mountains, in size almost equivalent to a stream. The word is a Sami loan word and in Northern Sami it is called johka.



The Soutujärvi countryside is located along the E10 and in the middle of what locally we call "the ore field". Since our countryside is adjacent to the E10, it is very accessible. Here you can find many cozy activities both summer and winter.

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