

## **50 years of Finlandia-Hiihto**

**Pure Scandinavian tradition for the largest marathon  
in the country!**

**Dates: February 23 to 27, 2023**

The city of Lahti can be found 100 km to the north of Helsinki. Even today, it is considered a paradise for sports, in particular cross-country skiing and ski jumping. Since 1926, Lahti has welcomed seven world cross-country ski championships. It is exactly in its world famous stadium at the foot of the three legendary ski jumps that the start and the finish of the largest marathon in Finland occurs every winter.

In 2023 they Nordic skiers will compete on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of February. The first part of the marathon course is the most difficult because the course is the same course used for the cross-country world championships. The second part of the course is flatter (but of course this term is quite subjective), before the race finishes in the stadium surrounded by the three ski jumps. You have the possibility of either a 62 km, 32 km or 20 km classic race on Saturday and a 62 km, 32 km and 20 km skating race on Sunday. Both of the 50 km races count as part of the Worldloppet classification. More than 6,000 skiers will participate in the two courses over the two days.



### **Your Lodgings, Scandic Hotel, Lahti \*\*\***

The superb Scandic Hotel has 3 stars and is situated right in the center of Lahti, only 1 km from the stadium where the start and finish of the races will occur. Walking only takes you 20 minutes. There is also a system of mini buses that the organizing group will put at your disposal for both days of the races. They will run between the center of town and the stadium.

All of the rooms are modern and comfortable with 2 twin beds and a complete bathroom. There is a large lobby with comfortable couches. You will find a restaurant where you can take your breakfasts and your evening meals. There is even a fully stocked bar.



### **Specific Dates During Your Trip:**

#### **Thursday, February 23, 2023**

International flight to Helsinki, and then a transfer via bus to your hotel (about an 1 ½ hours). You'll take over your rooms, and then there will be a meal for everyone that evening and an informational meeting.

#### **Friday, February 24, 2023**

A hardy breakfast, then a walk or mini bus ride to the stadium in order to familiarize yourself with the start and finish of the race. We will also be trying different waxes. If you wish, you can have lunch in the stadium where there will be tents, a hall, and different restaurants. You can do this before you go pick up your race bibs. In the afternoon, ski waxing and a briefing. Finally, a dinner.

#### **Saturday, February 25, 2023, Start of the 62 km, 32 km and 20 km Classic Races**

Hardy breakfast in your hotel. Departure at 10:00 a.m. in order to go directly to the stadium. There will be 4 waves for the 62 km classic race, each starting at 10-minute intervals. The departure for the 32 km and 20 km classic race is at 10:20 am. There will only be one wave. You will be able to eat after the race in either the big hall or in the tents. Then you will be taken back to the hotel. There will be a dinner that evening with a briefing for the next day's events.

#### **Sunday, February 26, 2023, Start of the 62 km, 32 km and 20 km Skating Races**

Hardy breakfast in your hotel. Departure at 9:00 a.m. going directly to the stadium for the 62 km skating race (there will have 4 waves, each starting at 10-minute intervals). The departure time for the 32 km and 20 km skating race will be at 11:15 a.m. with only one wave. You can eat after the race in either the big hall or in the tents. Then you return to the hotel. Everyone will have dinner that evening at the hotel. There is a possibility of leaving by plane that day for those who only will race on Saturday.

#### **Monday, February 27, 2023**

Breakfast in the hotel and then a bus ride to the airport.



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**What You Get for Your Money:**

- ✓ Bus transfers to and from the airport (Helsinki – Lahti – Helsinki)
- ✓ 4 nights in the Hotel Cumulus\*\*\* in Lahti
- ✓ 4 days and evenings of half pension with buffet breakfasts and dinners
- ✓ Full guiding by the Team of Sandoz Concept
- ✓ Minimum number of participants is 4 people

**Price per person in double room:**

For 8 and more participants:	Euro 930,- / CHF 1020,-
For 6 and 7 participants:	Euro 990,- / CHF 1090,-
For 4 and 5 participants	Euro 1130,- / CHF 1250,-
 Additional cost for single room during stay:	 Euro 250,- / CHF 275,-

**What You Have to Pay For Yourself in Addition**

- ✓ Race inscription fees (see below)
- ✓ Lunches
- ✓ Individual trip insurance
- ✓ Air transportation

**How Much Will It Cost to Enter to the Races?**

The sooner you enter a race, the cheaper it is. If you wait too long, you will have to pay an additional fee. Here are your choices.

<b>Entry fees:</b>	<b>62 km/CT,FT</b>	<b>32 km/CT,FT</b>	<b>20 km/CT,FT</b>
Until 30.06.2022	Euro 70,-	Euro 50,-	Euro 30,-
Until 15.10.2022	Euro 80,-	Euro 60,-	Euro 35,-
Until 15.12.2022	Euro 90,-	Euro 70,-	Euro 40,-
Until 01.02.2023	Euro 100,-	Euro 80,-	Euro 45,-

Online registration on the website of the organization: <https://english.finlandiahiinto.fi/Registrate> or we will gladly take care of this service for you for a fee of Euro 30,- per registration.





## Registration Finlandia Hiihto 2023

One form per person

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First name, last name

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date of birth

\_\_\_\_\_

street

\_\_\_\_\_

town, country

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Mobile phone

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E-mail

Registration for:

Distance and style \_\_\_\_\_

I only travel with the group and don't participate at the race.

double room

single room (limited)

Airport, please contact us for flight details \_\_\_\_\_

### Start number (BIB)

The Organising committee of the Finlandia Hiihto decides about your start block. Therefore we need 2 of your results during the last two winters. Worldloppet races and long races over 42 km in classic or skating.

Please give us your time and rang to get the best possible start block.

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### Air transportation

We will willingly make your reservations for your air flight from the airport of your choice to Helsinki and back. Please ask for more details.