

Conference Excursion

Time: 09.00 – 12.00

Starting Point: Museum Center Vapriikki

Tour will take approximately 3 hours. Please make sure to wear good shoes.

Tour description

We will begin the walking tour at 9 am at Museum Center Vapriikki. The tour will take us through the National Landscape of the [Tammerkoski Rapids area](#). The Tammerkoski flows between the Näsijärvi and the Pyhäjärvi Lake and has been central to the growth of industry of this area and the establishment of the city of Tampere in 1779. During the tour we'll visit the most important sites of Tampere's industrial heritage.



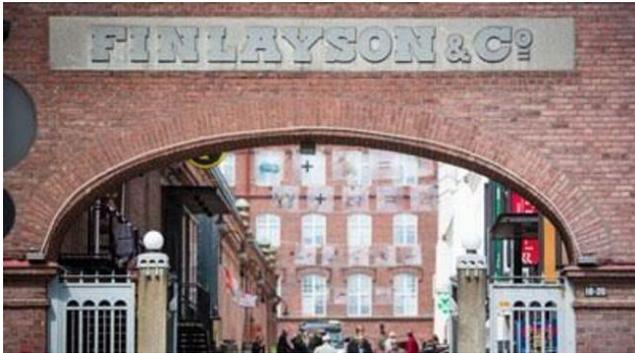
First we will visit the Tampella linen and iron industry factory area, which dates back to 1842. Here we will take a look at the industrial buildings that have been given a new function and new residential blocks from the 2000's. We will also pay attention to the natural heritage of the area.



From Tampella the walking tour continues to the [Finlayson area](#) which can be defined more or less as “a state inside of the town”. On our way, when we cross the rapids, we will have a very unique view of the National Landscape as well as the fascinating structures of the water power plants located on the rapids.

In Finlayson we will see the old factories from the 1830's that have new functions now. Next to the industrial buildings there are also an old wooden housing estate and residential palaces, which were

originally built by the owners of the Finlayson Company, the Nottbeck family. We will make a short stop at the Nottbeck family's old "Stable Yard", which nowadays houses a lively shopping center with a café. There is possibility to do some shopping before we'll go on.



Next, we will stop at [Milavida's cellar](#) (also known as Olgas's Cellar), which is one of the [Adopt A Monument](#) Sites in Tampere. Adopt-a-Monument is a Community Archaeology scheme that provides volunteer groups with the practical advice and training they need to care and conserve their local heritage. The project encourages groups to get involved in hands-on activities to improve the condition, accessibility and interpretation of their chosen site.



The tour ends at the [Milavida palace](#), with the Milavida museum and a nice restaurant and café. Milavida is surrounded by the beautiful Näsipuisto Park with a wide view over the northern lake called Näsijärvi.

