

Lapland

Camp Tjuonajokk

North of the Arctic Circle

The agony of choice! The rivers of Kaitum Valley are just teeming with grayling, trout, arctic char, pike and bass - right on the doorstep of Tjuonajokk Camp. Enjoy an unforgettable fishing experience in one of the most fascinating nature reserves in Europe - set in the wilderness of Lapland.

A ticket to Kiruna

There are daily flights from Stockholm to Kiruna, where you will be welcomed at the airport and accompanied to the waiting helicopter. During the 20-minute flight along the Kaitum River you gain a bird's-eye view of your stretch of water - an exciting foretaste of your fishing holiday. Daily arrival and departure dates are flexible, depending on how long you wish to stay on the Kaitum River.

Book now!

The season starts at the beginning of June and ends on September 10.

Prime spot

The Kaitum River and its surrounding waters offer you the best angling options for grayling, trout, arctic char, pike and bass, using fly and spinner. It is advisable to rent a boat for easy access to the best fishing spots.

Rod and reel

Fly fishing: 9-10 ft, 6-8 weight single handed rod, with sinking and floating line on reel with 50 yards (45 m) of backing. Leader: 4-12 lb.

Spinning: 6-5 ft, rod with a casting weight of 0.17-0.70 oz. (5-20 gm), 100 yards (90 m) of 7-18 lb. line on a reel with a strong adjustable drag. Leader: 4-12 lb.



For non-fishing guests

The camp surroundings are a paradise for non-fishing travel companions. Nature lovers can set off to pick berries and collect mushrooms or simply ramble through the unspoiled landscape.

Mosquitoes

Mosquitoes are simply a part of life in Lapland! But not to worry, a light rain or wind is enough to keep them at bay. Otherwise, the camp can supply you with the most effective insect repellent.



The flight to Tjuonajokk

Tjuonajokk Camp is located directly on the Kaitum River system and is the only fishing camp in the vicinity. That is one reason why angling on the Kaitum River has been able to maintain its excellent standards over the years. In its breath-taking mountain setting - with snow-capped peaks dominating the camp in winter - the varied fishing options offered by the camp are outstanding. Tjuonajokk Camp is only accessible by helicopter or hydroplane. Its proximity to countless Kaitum River tributaries and lakes makes it an ideal base for exciting angling expeditions. Ingemar Kristell and his team are always on hand to give you tips on how to best fish the Kaitum Valley and to spoil you with their fine hospitality and professional service.

Grayling at it's best

No exaggeration, grayling fishing in Lapland is simply superb - with the Kaitum River ranked by many well-travelled anglers as one of the world's best grayling rivers. And it goes without saying that here, north of the Arctic Circle in the wilderness of Lapland, you'll land grayling outweighing their Central European cousins by far! Some of these predatory specimens turn the scales at a phenomenal four pounds!



Besides the abundant stocks of grayling, the Kaitum River and its numerous surrounding waters are home to a variety of other species of fish. Pike and bass in the lakes, less than an hour's walk from the camp, or trout and arctic char, which are caught in the short summer months. They

swarm at the mouths of the Kaitum's smaller tributaries to feed on the prolific insect life. Normally the arctic char feed just below the surface. So wet flies or submerged dry fly patterns are obviously the best bet.

Where dreams come true

The Kaitum River is part of an extensive river and lake system, which even after heavy rainfall carries no clouded water. So it's clear water fishing all the way! The river flows from West to East, which means that you will generally be fishing sheltered from the wind. The direction of the wind is also vitally important for insect life. During the short summer months, myriads of caddis, mayflies and stoneflies flutter over the surface of the water and are an important source of food for the count-

less rising fish. The best conditions for fly fishing are when the sky is over-cast. Myriads of insects then start to rise to the surface and form a ready meal for the hungry grayling, trout and arctic char.

Selecting the right fly pattern is no problem in Kaitum Valley: brown, grey and dark-hued caddis, hook size 10-16, are a must. Klinkhammer patterns with beige, orange and olive bodies, and dark hackles are also proving to be extremely successful. Don't forget to bring along a few traditional patterns such as Red Tag, Black Zulu and March Brown, hook size 10-16. And a few nymph patterns such as Pheasant Tail, Partridge & Orange, or Gold Heads are a deadly alternative should the grayling fail to fall for the dry fly.

Wilderness, wine and sauna

The camp has more than a dozen Log Cabins, furnished with gas stove, tables, chairs and bunk beds. The Cabins have heating facilities and offer full country comfort. The central camp building houses a small Store which stocks food and drink, souvenirs, and a full range of fishing tackle. In the same building is the Camp Restaurant, which offers regional specialities and an opportunity to wine and dine in fine style, even in this remote region of Lapland. And naturally, the Camp also has its own fully equipped Sauna Unit.