



LOCATION

Ropinsalmi is located about 116 km from Hetta, about 57 km from Kilpisjärvi. Pättikkä is located about 108 km from Hetta and about 65 km from Kilpisjärvi.

ATTRACTIONS

A path starts from Pättikkä, along which you can get close to Aatsa's wilderness hut. The hut is located in Könkämäeno on the southeast shore of the pond in the western branch of Aatsajoki, which flows from Tarjutunturi fell.

SERVICES

Café Ropinpirtti is located in Ropinsalmi.

ROPINSALMI

The attractive coffee oasis of Ropinsalmi, Ropin Pirtti, in the middle of Enontekiö area, has served the residents of Ropijärvi's shore and stopped people here throughout the ages. There has always been a special creativity and relaxation here. The bus is also known to have transported reindeer and cows when necessary. Guests and villagers are still served in Ropinsalmi with the same relaxed attitude, "in Ropi's style" so to speak.

ROPINSALMI IS IN AN excellent location in terms of natural economy, such as fishing, hunting and picking berries, by the beautiful fells and hills, near the channel Könkämäeno. Ropinsalmi is especially well known among tourists and locals for the Ropin Pirtti located there. Ropin Pirtti was built in 1965 and the people of Ropinsalmi still feel that it is the most central spot in the village.

Before Ropin Pirtti, Ropinsalmi also had Kievaritalo house, Siiri's kiosk, so it has always been known as a tourist stop. The Benjamin's house was also a well-known building.

The village is located in the middle of unique nature, which also offers excellent opportunities for outdoor activities like walking with the dog on Ropinpolku path. A hiker can walk in the wilderness even as far as Halti fell.

Next to Lake Ropijärvi lies an old sami village of Ropinjärvenperä. After the wars, it was a village of five houses and about 20-30 residents. Today only a few lives in the area yet it still is an important pasture for the reindeer.

The stories of Ropinsalmi also include a bus driver who has transported people, goods, mail and, if necessary, reindeer and cows in the area. There were no real timetables at the time either, but the children traveling on the bus knew that it would wait until everyone was on board – often with other passengers. Stories and community still keep the village alive.

PÄTTIKKÄ

Pättikkä means a short steep part of the rapids. In the village of Pättikkä lived perhaps the most famous Enontekiö resident, Nils-Aslak Valkeapää, aka the legendary "Ailu", "Áillohaš". This is where Ailu drew content for his poems and songs. While walking in nature, he made friends with birds. Maybe while passing by the village, you too will find your own songbird for your travels!

PÄTTIKKÄ IS BEST KNOWN for Nils-Aslak Valkeapää who lived there, who was a prominent Sámi artist and is known internationally for his art and representation of Sámi culture.

At Pättikkä, the road cuts through a rolling, open wilderness, a scenery which reindeers pasture. A scenery worth stopping to admire. In the landscape you can distinguish wonderful wind deposits created on ridges.