

BYE BYE FINLAND

After spending 128 days in Finland, it was time to come home...And I'm crying and laughing at the same time! I know it might sound like a boilerplate, but all in all I had a wonderful time and learnt a lot not just about Finland but mostly about myself too!



wonders in daily life

Finland is the place where you barely want to go to sleep, because there is always something beautiful! Sometimes it's just bent white birches, small wooden houses in the middle of nowhere, clumsy reindeers walking on the road, the golden autumn, the frozen sea, the northern lights or just a smiling unfamiliar face. Yes! They are smiling all the time. Elderly people random start to talk to you in Finnish/Swedish and then they just apologize that they can't speak the your language. Furthermore you always get a warm welcome from Finnish people - which is sometimes all you need in the dark and cold winter nights.



A piece of my Finnish postcard project

But these nights aren't that scary!

When I told my friends that I'm going to study in Finland they thought that I'm crazy, going up North at that time of the year. Later on, people in town warned me that 'uu long nights are coming!' For me early sunset wasn't that big deal, but the mornings! When you're drinking your morning coffee in dark, but it's already 9:15! That was weird; but at least there was sunlight during the day!

Finland is famous for its saunas and also the education system is well-known. I'm really happy that I had the chance to experience it! As I mentioned in earlier posts, education is mainly focused on group work, but if it's an individual project, then there's no wrong! All you do is great, or if it doesn't fit the tutor's taste then you will discuss it together, and find every good part of it.

This was really heart warming for me and helped to build a little self-confidence. Don't get me wrong - of course our works were criticized, just we received more positive feedback than negative.

Moreover the other thing you can be amazed by (almost everyday) is the prices! It wasn't a joke, when people told me, that everything costs 2-3 times more!! And Last but not least I was also amused by the safety! You could leave your stuff almost everywhere without even worrying, that someone would take!

All in all just go to Finland!

You won't be disappointed that's for sure! Experience the calmness of nature, the silence and the kindness of people there! Just take a breath and slow down or just run into the icy water from the sauna!