

Finland

Country Profile

2019 Going Global Exchanges



4-H in Finland

The Finnish 4H Federation - or "Suomen 4H-Liitto" - officially formed as an organization in 1928. It has more than 70,000 members, aged 8 to 28, and close to 3,000 clubs. 4-H in Finland has a presence in both rural and urban areas, and plays an active role in providing employment opportunities for youth through its "Three Steps to Employment" approach.



What to Expect

You will likely live with multiple host families during your stay.

You will have the opportunity to:

- participate in lots of Finnish 4-H Federation events and programs
- be part of numerous popular, community-based, Finnish events and activities
- work on family farms, do farm chores, and tour local agricultural operations
- learn about the way of life in Finland - the work, culture, and people

"My trip to Finland was one of the biggest learning experiences I have had in my life. Not only did I learn about a new culture and language, but I learned a lot about myself." - Chelsey Fitzsimmons, Finland, 2016

Quick Facts

- The culture of Finland combines indigenous heritages with Nordic, Russian, and European cultures.
- The Finnish drink more milk per capita than any other country in the world.
- Small-scale farms are highly regarded in Finland, as they restrict agro-industrial operations and keep barriers to entry more manageable.

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