

THE KIVISALMI ROUTE, 3 km

Start & Finish:

Kivisalmen Kievari Inn, Rautalammintie 1935, Konnevesi

Co-ordinates:

N 62° 39,901' / E 26° 34,029'

Map Link:

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Difficulty:

Easy

Suitability:

The route is suitable for a person with basic paddling and map reading skills.

Duration:

0.5 to 1 hours

Things & places to see:

The Kivisalmi Harbour, Traveller's Karsikko (a memorial tree), Airplane accident memorial stone.

Route markings: none

The Kivisalmi Route is an easy paddling route of 3 kilometres in length. It starts at the Kivisalmen Kievari Inn, where there's a harbour and a grill/kiosk open in summer. Kivisalmi is located at the border of the municipalities of Konnevesi and Rautalampi. The bridge of Kivisalmi is the real scenic spot of the Road 69. The paddling route runs around the Timosensaari Island and under the bridge. There's a memorial stone by the old stone bridge commemorating the airplane accidents of 1939 and 1941.

The paddling route may be challenging if the wind is blowing hard from the north. There's a "Traveller's Karsikko" close to the parking lot, where you can make your own mark, as many travellers have already done. At the starting point, on a jetty, there's a canoe step from which you can easily embark on your paddling trip.

To commemorate the crash of two Finnish bombers during the Winter and Continuation Wars, a memorial was erected in Kivisalmi in 2015. During the Winter War in 1939, a BL-110 bomber lost in a blizzard crashed in Hämeenniemi at Southern Konnevesi. Three Finnish soldiers died in the crash. During the Continuation War in 1941, when performing a test flight, a DB-14 bomber experienced a fatal spiral and crashed in the Southern Konnevesi Lake, between the Lokkisaari & Haukisaari Islands. Both the pilot and the navigator perished.

Services & Sights:

- Kivisalmen Kievari Inn: hamburger restaurant, bar & grill
- Bridge of Kivisalmi
- Airplane accident memorial stone
- Traveller's Karsikko memorial tree
- KalajaRetkeily & E-K Lines: kayak rentals

SOUTHERN KONNEVESI NATIONAL PARK (luontoon.fi):



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HIKING MAP BY METSÄHALLITUS:



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STORY MAP BY RAUTALAMPI MUSEUM:



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during a forest fire warning,
making fire is strictly prohibited.
You can use a camping stove

You can use a camping stove provided that you observe special caution.





