



KONNEVESI RAPID ROUTE, 22 km

Starting point:

Häyrylänranta Harbour, Satamatie 60, Konnevesi
Finish: Saksalansaari, Akkosilta lean-to, Saksalansaarentie 155, Hankasalmi

Co-ordinates:

N 62° 37,526' / E 26° 20,714'

Map link:

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Difficulty:

challenging paddling route; there are Class 1 and 2 rapids and sections where you have to paddle on the lake.

Suitability:

suitable for independent paddler with basic white-water paddling skills.

The Konnevesi Rapid Route is part of the historical Rautalampi Route and one leg of the Konnevesi-Laukaa Paddling Route. It consists of 7 rapids: Siikakoski, Taikinainen, Karinkoski, Kellankoski, Yläisenkoski, Keskisenkoski and Hannulankoski.

The route starts at the Häyrylänranta Harbour in Konnevesi and ends by the Akkosilta bridge in Saksalansaari, Hankasalmi. The first 4 rapids form a tight and unified rapid route, and the other 3 rapid section lies on the other side of Lake Liesvesi and the Pesiäissalmi Inlet. Both routes work also as independent white-water routes.

The most valuable of the treasures of the Konnevesi Rapid Route is the Lake Trout (Salmo trutta m. lacustris) which still breeds in these rapids. Mieronvirta Oy rents the rapids for C&R fishing. The paddlers should take the fishers along the route into consideration. Fishing supports the protection of the Lake Trout.

The route will lead you from Siikakoski (fishing place of late President of Finland, Mr. Urho Kaleva Kekkonen) towards the cultural history route rich with stories of treasures, Stone Age dwellings and by the grave of a warrior from the Iron Age. The remainder of the route will be on the property of the House of Timola, in the village of Kärkkälä.

The cultural landscape of the Rossinkylä Village by the Rossinkylä Road is a place of the Haronmäki Hill rock Karsikko (memorial place). The cultural landscape and the Karsikko are accessible by land and by road.

Services and Points of Interest:

- Häyrylänranta Harbour, Konnevesi
- E-K Lines Oy: Caravan area, cruises to the national park, kayak rental, guide services, harbour kiosk
- Lunch Cafe Ranta Hätävara: café & store with local produce
- MVH Services: cruises to the national park
- KalajaRetkeily: Guided paddling trips, kayak rental, lean-to dinners
- Showers and toilets are free to use for the customers.

Duration:

3 to 5 hours

Places & things to see:

Siikakoski Rapid, Kellankoski Rapid, Lake trout (Salmo trutta m. lacustris) habitat.

Route markings:

not marked.

Please note that some of the rapids might be reserved for fishing at certain times!

When you are paddling with a group, please check in advance if there's a reservation by calling + 358 40 5833 235 or by e-mail: wesku@konnevedenkosket.fi

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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Please remember that
**during a forest fire warning,
making fire is strictly prohibited.**
You can use a camping stove
provided that you observe special
caution.



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