



# HELSINKI CUP

## International Tour

### Helsinki, Finland



**Helsinki Cup Tour.** Since 1988 United Soccer Academy has been providing youth players and teams from across the United States with quality opportunities and experiences to travel and compete internationally. The Helsinki Cup tour will give the players an excellent soccer playing experience and opportunity to travel and compete in Finland. This program will provide players with a magnificent experience; both on and off the soccer field, from tournament play in the Helsinki Cup to experiencing the history and culture of Finland.



## GENERAL PROGRAM



### Day 1

Excitement builds as your players, staff, and boosters (family members) depart a US gateway city in on an overnight flight to Helsinki, Finland for their 9-day soccer tour to Finland with participation in the Helsinki Cup. Due to the time differences between Europe and the United States, the group will arrive in Helsinki the following morning.



### Day 2

Upon arrival in Helsinki Airport (HEL) the group will be met by their bi-lingual Finnish representative and will transfer to the hotel in the heart of Helsinki. Following check-in, the team will have time for a light training session before tournament registration. Welcome dinner and group meeting. Evening at leisure. (Helsinki)

### Day 3

Competition begins in the 44th Helsinki Cup which will draw over 1,100 teams from around the world. Group/bracket play. Sightseeing and team activities will be scheduled based on the game schedule. Helsinki, the capital of Finland and the country's largest city, is one of northern Europe's most important cities regarding culture and history. In the evening the players will attend the Helsinki Cup opening ceremony. (Helsinki)



### Day 4

Participation in the Helsinki Cup in group/bracket play. Sightseeing and team activities will be scheduled based on game scheduled. Option: visit Suomenlinna Maritime Fortress, founded in 1748 and is one of the biggest sea fortresses in the world. Team activities in the evening. (Helsinki)

### **Day 5**

Participation in the Helsinki Cup with last games in group/bracket play. Sightseeing and team activities will be planned based on the game schedule. Option: visit Senate Square and the Helsinki Cathedral. Team activities in the evening. (Helsinki)

### **Day 6**

Participation in the Helsinki Cup, playoff games. The team will either advance into the A or B playoffs. Option: visit Market Square and Old Market Hall. Team activities in the evening. (Helsinki)

### **Day 7**

Participation in the Helsinki Cup, playoff, and finals. If the team is not playing in the finals, friendly matches and or team activities and sightseeing will be coordinated. Option: visit Olympic Stadium which hosted in the 1952 Olympic Games. Team activities in the evening. (Helsinki)



### **Day 8**

Participation in the Helsinki Cup, finals. If the team is not playing in the finals, friendly matches and or team activities and sightseeing will be coordinated. (Helsinki)

### **Day 9**

Following breakfast, the players, coaches, and boosters transfer to Helsinki International Airport (HEL) for the return flight back to the United States with same day arrival in the USA.



## **INCLUSIONS**



- Tour price guaranteed in US Dollars
- One (1) free tour spots for coaches/staff every 15 full paying participants
- Round trip international air transportation/flights departing from a US gateway to Finland. Airline taxes are included.
- Hotel Accommodations:
  - 7-nights: Helsinki, Finland: Holiday Inn Helsinki
- Meal package:
  - Helsinki Cup. Three meals per day. Breakfast at the hotel and lunch and dinner at the tournament restaurant. Starting with dinner on Day 2 and finishing with breakfast on Day 9
- Transportation: Tournament transportation during the Helsinki Cup. Private motorcoach for airport transfers and throughout the tour
- Participation and team fees for the Helsinki Cup, including Opening Ceremony and tournament transportation.
- United Soccer Academy tour manager will provide the group with assistance throughout the tour and at each destination.
- Full service and support from United Soccer Academy including extensive pre-trip assistance, fundraising, player handbook, and newsletters.



## EXCLUSIONS



- Airline taxes and fuel
- Meals as noted in the meal package
- Passport and visa fees
- Items of personal of nature
- Health insurance
- Travel insurance



## TOUR COSTS



Tour costs are based on the overall number of participants (players, staff, family members) traveling on tour and the originating US gateway city. Contact United Soccer Academy for a specific tour proposal and price for your team.



## PROGRAM FOR BOOSTERS (Parents & Family Members)



The "Booster Program" is for parents and family members interested in participating on tour. The program and itinerary are the same for parents and family members. Additional tour inclusions can be added such as wine and food tastings, golf outings, and in-depth sightseeing excursions. Exact tour costs are based on the overall number of participants (players, staff, family members) traveling on tour and the originating US gateway city. Tour prices are based on either single, double, or triple occupancy.



## FUNDRAISING



In conjunction with our fundraising partner, Reaching Our Goal ([www.reachingourgoal.org](http://www.reachingourgoal.org)) will provide players and families with a fundraising program that can raise a large percentage of the tour costs. Interested players and families should contact Jon Goldman at Reaching Our Goal at 914-364-4311 or via email at [jon@reachingourgoal.org](mailto:jon@reachingourgoal.org).



## CONTACT INFORMATION



United Soccer Academy can customize tours that fit within the needs and desires of your team. The tour proposal will include a detailed itinerary, terms and conditions, and registration information. Also, please contact United Soccer Academy if you are interested in a group meeting where one of our representatives can meet with your coaches, players, and team parents to review and discuss the tour and international soccer travel and competition

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# TRAVEL INSURANCE



Travel insurance through Alpha Travel Assist has included each participant's tour costs and consists of the following benefits:

Benefits	USD 50,000
Geographical Coverage	Worldwide
Medical assistance in case of an accident	USD 50,000
Medical assistance in case of non-preexisting illness	USD 50,000
Medical assistance in case of preexisting illness	USD 500
Telemedicine	Yes
Prescribed medication	USD 300
Dental emergency	USD 300
Repatriation or sanitary transfer	USD 50,000
Funeral repatriation	USD 50,000
Transportation of family companion in case of hospitalization	Econ. class air ticket + hotel
Accommodation of family by hospitalization of the holder	USD 350
Hotel expenses for convalescence	USD 800
Expenses for delay or canceled flight	USD 350
Expenses for the delay in returning the luggage	USD 350
Total and definitive loss of baggage	USD 1,500
Guidance in case of lost documents/luggage	Yes
Trip cancellation	USD 2,000
Follow-up of beneficiary over 75 years of age	Econ. class air ticket + hotel
Minors escort	Econ. class air ticket + hotel
Amateur sports coverage (medical)	USD 50,000
Return trip due to the death of an immediate family member	Econ. class air ticket + hotel
Trip interruption for catastrophe	Econ. class air ticket + hotel
Travel tracking/cruise	Econ. class air ticket + hotel
24-hour consultation line	Yes
Transmission of urgent messages	Yes
Transfer of funds	USD 4,000
Transfer of funds in case of bonds	USD 3,000
Legal assistance in case of a vehicular accident	USD 4,000
Return trip guarantee	Econ. class air ticket + hotel
Executive replacement	Yes
Concierge counseling	Included