

# Natures Images

## Wild Brown Bears

**Day 1** - Travel to Kajaani airport in Finland and transfer to forest guesthouse accommodation followed by your initial briefing.

**Days 2-5** Every night will be spent in one of the selection of hides (offering swamp, forest and meadow habitats) but because of the time of year the sun barely sets ensuring excellent photographic opportunities throughout this time when good numbers of dominant male bears, females and cubs will visit the area for the food that they have routinely come to expect in the area thanks to our Finnish hosts. You can expect several hours photography and activity every night. The daytime will be spent relaxing and sleeping back in our guesthouse, but if you have the energy there are forest hides available for photographing small birds such as Siskin, Bullfinch and Redpoll and very tame red squirrels.

**Day 6** Transfer to airport for your connecting and return flights

**Recommended Kit:** You will need to provide your own photographic equipment - anything from 300mm to 500mm (with converters) should meet your needs, and shorter lens options offer good and different possibilities too. Beanbags are provided so there is no need for a tripod in the bear hides, but you may like to use it for other photographic opportunities. If you would like to talk through our camera and lens hire options for this trip then please just ask.

**Additional information:**

Temperatures will be pleasantly warm, but evenings can be cooler so you will need some suitable clothing, and footwear for the walkthrough the forest to the hide. Of major note though is that mosquito levels can be high and potentially irritating, so good quantities of strong repellent are essential.

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