

Vihula Manor restaurant La Boheme has been recognized Estonia's best restaurants TOP 50

Vihula Manor takes pride in its heritage and this is also reflected in our menus with the focus being on local Estonian cuisine, combining hearty traditional countryside dishes and elegant manor cuisine, with quite a few recipes coming from the manor's historical cookbooks which our executive



Another important aspect is our green concept with many of the ingredients coming from the estate's own organic Manor Garden and Eco-Farm and neighboring gardens and farms in order to offer the food as fresh and clean as possible.

By now we are happy to announce that Vihula Manor restaurant La Boheme has been recognized Estonia's best restaurants TOP 50. In none of the six years that the 50 best Estonian restaurants have been selected have so many restaurants made their way back into the table. Four restaurants that have also been included in the table before are back. One circle of the developmental spiral is becoming complete.

Ultramodern cooking is once again making way for classic food based on traditions. All the new restaurants that made a comeback as well as the eight newcomers are representatives of classic cuisine.

Successful restaurant can create a mood and offer experiences. "Classic" is not a slogan, ten years of unchanged meals is not an argument. Dusty memories will be left under dust, because traditional cooking is now done in a novel way, not an ancient one.



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Interview with Chef de Cuisine of Vihula Manor Toomas Lääts

What is this phenomenon that situated in the middle of the forest Vihula Manor restaurant has received such high recognition?

Location does not make a diner with a proper kitchen, people are important. If there is given time to create, to teach people, to make a good team, then there is hope to get good results. One proper kitchen is the result of sustainable and determined effort.

Cooking is like creating a work of art. Where do you get your inspiration for art?

In particular, taking place in nature. Estonia's four seasons are a great gift for all of us, including me.

In nature there are colors, feelings, smells, totally variations - all of it is organic and very honest. I go to forest, pastures, sea every spare moment that I have. It is best to be alone there, and the longer, the better!

Of course, the people and their creations (design, literature, fashion, music, etc.) can often lead to thoughts of new directions that then you will end up with the idea of a smaller plate to reach the customer.

How did you reach to the best of Estonian chefs?

Well, chef grows through hard and intense work of line cook. It is important that the right choices, good examples and people who learn from and then go ahead in own future. The chef has to be creative, free and independent, also resistant. Building a strong team cannot be overstated, as one chef can do it, plus the hard work, talent, passion, and everything will be good.

In what ways do you derive strength for new "work of art"?

The force is needed and holiday for making this work is vitally necessary. Well, over the time spent in the woods as opposed to going to techno parties till the morning, one does not exclude the other.

Every year I make a proper garden on balcony, so the balcony gardener hands in the soil will not hurt. Friends, wine, dinners, outings, music, evening swimming, concerts, books – without it I Can't be.

Interviewed by **Dina Kivi**

VIHULA MANOR HOLIDAY VILLAGE

Vihula Manor Holiday Village offers unique leisure and entertainment facilities. With all its many facilities and activities Vihula Manor Holiday Village has everything to create a perfect day in the countryside for active families with kids.

Vihula Manor Mini- Golf

Vihula Manor Mini-Golf features a completely new mini-golf concept highlighting the nature and architecture of three Baltic countries in a 18-hole facility, which has plenty of both educational and entertaining qualities.

Swimming pool and steam sauna

The old large Cattle Barn features an in-door 15-meter Swimming Pool with a Kids area, Turkish Steambath and Gym. Entrance ticket to the Swimming Pool is available at the Reception and at the Visitor Centre in the Water Mill. Open daily from 10 am to 8 pm.



Vodka Distillery

The Vodka Distillery is featuring a Vihula Manor Vodka Museum with exhibits related to the history of spirits and vodka distillation in Estonia and in Vihula Manor.

Water Mill

The Water Mill itself has been completely restored and is now the best preserved functioning Water Mill in Estonia. Besides, the Water Mill also features a Lifestyle Café with a Summer Terrace overlooking the Mustoja River and the waterfall and a small Manor Museum with exhibits related to the history of Vihula Manor and the history of the Water Mill itself.

Here you also find the Visitor Centre, where you can get more information about all the facilities and activities at Vihula Manor Holiday Village.



Vihula Manor Eco-Farm

All the kids – both the small ones and the adult ones – will certainly be interested in Vihula Manor Eco-Farm, located in the 19th century Horse Stable. You will love to watch the farm animals such as horses, cows, sheep, rabbits and chickens. Open daily.

HOLIDAY VILLAGE DAY PASS

- welcome coffee and light snacks in Watermill cafe
- bike rental for 1 hour
- exciting golf play in
- 18-holes Mini Golf facility
- Boat ride on the romantic Mustoja River

Additional possibilities:

- * manor tour & legends
- * usage of in-door swimming pool and steam sauna
- * easy meal to take with
- * lunch or dinner in Kaval Ants Tavern

Price per person
15 EUR

PASS FOR FAMILY (2 adults + 2 children)

- coffee and light snacks in Watermill cafe
- visiting Vihula Manor eco-Farm animals
- exciting golf play in 18-holes Mini Golf facility
- manorview Golf Car Tour with legends)
- boat ride on the Mustoja River

Additional possibilities:

- * bike rental
- * usage of in-door swimming pool and steam sauna
- * with family day pass coupon 10% discount on a lunch or a dinner in the Kaval Ants Tavern

Price per family
40 EUR

SUMMER SPECIAL OFFER FROM ECO-SPA

Summerday special in Spa 60 minutes only 30€

Package includes:

Hand treatment „Silky Hands“ 30 min.

Refreshing orange-peach paraffin is ideal care for the skin care, it also improves blood circulation, relieves the pain and has a joint mobility-enhancing effect. This treatment gives you moisturized skin and your hands feel more soft and silky.

Wellness Foot Treatment 30 min.

Wellness foot treatment is nourishing and moisturising well-being treatment. First, the feet are cleaned with warm moist towels. For smoothing skin the feet are exfoliated with AH acids, A and E vitamins and natural sugar crystal exfoliator. Then a moisturising mask is applied and let to take effect for 5 minutes. The treatment is completed with massage of feet and legs to knees. This treatment doesn't include classical pedicure with nail and callus care. Here the exfoliator gives the result by removing dead skin cells, which makes feet smooth and soft.



Offer is valid Sun-Thu

Team building events in Vihula Manor Country Club & Spa

Why not take few days off and spend a wonderful time with your colleagues? Vihula Manor Country Club & Spa has organized a lot of free time and motivation events for companies and is cooperating with professional event organizing companies. If you have not gotten any plans or ideas for your team event, Vihula Manor is a great option for team building events.

Vihula Manor team will be happy to share with you the experience and variety of nice ideas and solutions for a memorable summer team building event.

Basis package includes:

- Light soup-buffet upon arrival
- Minigolf as a team building exercise
- Boat rally along the Mustoja river (4 boats = 8 pax)
- „Treasure hunt“ on golf buggies (3 buggies= 12 pax)
- „Make your own Vihula Mojito“
- Dinner

Price per
person
75
EUR

Additional possibilities:

- * Sauna rental with party room
- * Vodka degustation program
- * Beer degustation program
- * Wine training + degustation
- * Evening host and musicians
- * Snacks and drinks

Traditional Midsummer party at Vihula Manor on the 21st of June



Midsummer the period of time centered upon the summer solstice, and more specifically the European celebrations that accompany the actual solstice or take place on a day between June 21 and June 24 and the preceding evening.

The exact dates vary between different cultures.

Midsummer is especially important in the cultures of Scandinavia, Estonia, Finland, Lithuania and Latvia where it is the most celebrated holiday apart from Christmas.

All visitors are welcome from 7 pm.

As before, people can sing and dance, and play games and swing. You are welcome to visit a number of dining and drinking places: Tricky Ants Tavern, a watermill and in several nice places in the park

at 7.30 pm – Brave men and women funny competitions – Manor Tour and Vihula Manor legends – Accordion music helps to create a mood

at 9 pm – Midsummer's Eve band starts playing for dancing – Horse carriage rides will be fun

at 9.45 pm we lighten the bonfire. Bonfire evenings are always made, and it usually lasted until early morning, so it will also be Vihula Manor. – Brave men and women funny competitions

at 10 pm – Midsummer's Eve band starts playing for dancing – Brave men and women funny competitions.

Midsummer Night is special here is that you are able to find the hidden treasures of life and love!

Tickets available at Piletilevi – 6 €, on spot 8 €

Family ticket (2 +2) at Piletilevi 16 €, on spot 20 €

Entrance in folk costume – 6 €

EVENTS IN VIHULA MANOR

08-09 June

Sporty weekend – ZUMBA training with Jorge Hinojosa

Friday, 08.09.13,

Zumba (55 min) at 6 pm

Aqua Zumba (50 min) at 7.15 pm

Saturday, 09.06.2013

Zumba (55 min) at 10 am

Aqua Zumba (50 min) at 11.15

Price per person: 16 EUR/per person for two training day

12 EUR/per person for one training day

14 June at 6 pm

Hand craft weekend in old manor

You are welcome to make a new antique furnishings element from the old-fashioned and unused things.



15 June

Mindlessly fun weekend

It is more than just that exiting weekend awaits you in our old manor from 2.30 pm

16 June

“Bridal Waltz” and wedding dance lesson



21 June at 7 pm

Traditional Midsummer party

All visitors are welcome from 7 pm

As before, people can sing and dance, and play games and swing.

28 June at 7 pm

Youth Jazz Orchestra of Northrhine-Westfalia (YJO NRW) from Germany in Vihula Manor

Mindlessly fun weekend at Vihula Manor on the 15th of June

What could be more exiting than to spend a cosy eve with friends, having fun in manor park, making your own cocktail and enjoy your „blind dinner“

Its more than just that..exiting weekend awaits you in our old manor.

We welcome you to the manor from 2.30 pm

- * a fun and engaging GPS game in the manor park
- relaxing in swimming pool and steam
- * coffee and tea time in the library
- * preparation of your own Vihula cocktail
- * 2-course blind dinner with a glass of wine

Price: 58 EUR/per person

Minimum number of participants 10 people and duration of the program is 5 hours



Youth Jazz Orchestra of Northrhine-Westfalia (YJO NRW) from Germany in Vihula Manor on the 28th of June at 7 pm

The Youth Jazz Orchestra of the German federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia (NRW) is one of the most famous youth orchestras in Germany. Founded in 1975 the Youth Jazz Orchestra of North Rhine-Westphalia has since then become known for performing extraordinary concerts and implementing innovative concerts. It associates most vibrant young jazz musicians of the federal state of NRW and has long been considered a “hotbed of talent”. The orchestra has toured around the world and performed in various countries representing Germany and the federal state of North Rhine-Westphalia abroad.