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MÄNTTÄ

– a strong concentration of industry,
high tech and culture

VILPPULA

Mänttä and Vilppula are rapidly developing industrialized municipalities offering you diverse opportunities for work, living, study and leisure activities alike. The district's companies are continuously on the look-out for new skilled labour.

A significant proportion of jobs in the Mänttä & Vilppula district are in technology. The district's leading employers in the wood-processing industry include Metsä Tissue Corporation, Finnforest Corporation and Formica IKI Ltd. The strong roots of Mänttä's paper industry date back to the 1860's, when the pharmacist G. A. Serlachius arrived to establish a groundwood mill at the brink of the rapids. Metal industry companies represent international leading-edge expertise. Major metal sector employers include Sulzer Pumps Finland Ltd, engineering subcontractor Javasko Ltd, machinery service company Koneosapalvelu Ltd and Kojair Tech Ltd specializing in clean air technology. In addition, the district's service sector offers jobs for more and more competent people.

With several museums and changing high-class art exhibitions here, Mänttä is one of the leading arts towns in Finland. In a show of courage and broad-mindedness, Mänttä is in the running to be European Capital of Culture for 2011.

The district covers several industrial areas designed for business, the most significant being the Kangasmaa Industrial Estate and the Isoniemi Industrial Park. Companies operating in these areas form the basis of the district's high-tech industry. The industrial areas offer high-quality facilities and an effective cooperation network for businesses. Our latest and growing industries include the plastics industry and environmental engineering.



IT and media businesses are rapidly developing operations in the district, which also hosts one of the oldest IT and media business clusters actively operating in Finland. The service sector network includes shops such as Vilpun Vintti, which offers customers organic products and gift items from local producers.

Development of business activities and creation of new jobs within the district is the responsibility of MW-Kehitys Ltd, the joint business development company of Mänttä and Vilppula. The company is involved in activities such as seeking facilities and workforce for companies, developing business operations, devising various financial solutions and assisting companies to settle in a new environment. MW-Kehitys is also responsible for building the district's networks and implementing various projects and ventures. In this work, MW-Kehitys is supported by the district's diverse and effective development network.



Part of the most beautiful Finnish Lake District

Mänttä and Vilppula form an attractive industrial, artistic and educational district of about 13,000 inhabitants amid the beautiful lake and forest sceneries characteristic of the Tampere Region. It is a good and safe place for families with children to live, offering affordable plots for one-family homes and good basic services for people of all ages. Leisure activities are easy to find in the district. This is guaranteed by diverse exercise and sports opportunities, the Vilppulankoski Rapids brimming with fish, a Blue Flag level guest quay, a golf course, equestrian sports opportunities and high-quality cultural services.

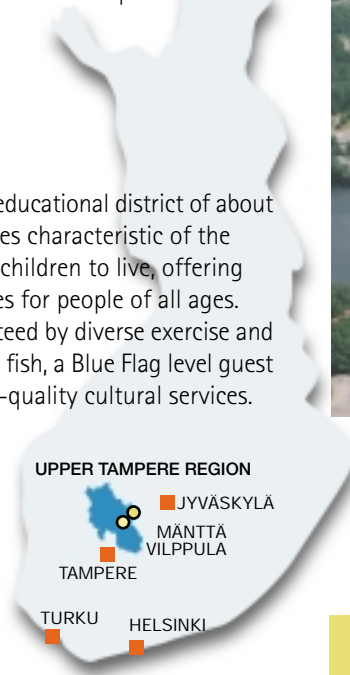


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 Turku 240 km
 Helsinki 240 km

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www.vilppula.fi



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- Major employers: Metsä Tissue Corporation (paper mill), Sulzer Pumps Ltd (pump manufacturer), Finnforest Corporation (sawmill), Formica IKI Ltd (laminare surfacing solutions), Javasko Ltd (engineering subcontracting), Kojair Tech Ltd (clean air technology)