

## MANDROGI THE 18<sup>TH</sup> OF MAY 2012

After we had been in Moscow, Uglich, Yaroslavl, Goritsy and Kitzji, we arrived at Mandrogi at 11.00 o'clock. Most of the site is located on an island in the [Svir](#) river that flows between Onega and Ladoga.

Mandrogi was completely burned down during World War II and people moved away from there. In 1996, an entrepreneur and art dealer came up with the idea to build Mandrogi up again as a tourist spot along the cruise route between Moscow and St. Petersburg. He at first built the hotel. Now there is built several houses, a church and workshops. 150 people live here permanently, plus 200 who come every day to work here.



A church right before coming to Mandrogi.



A bar in Mandrogi.



A vodka museum.



The vodka museum was popular.





A slide.



The slide.



A residential house



The tower on the slide.



A restaurant.



A close-up on the carvings on the restaurant.





Craft workshop and store.



Another craft workshop.



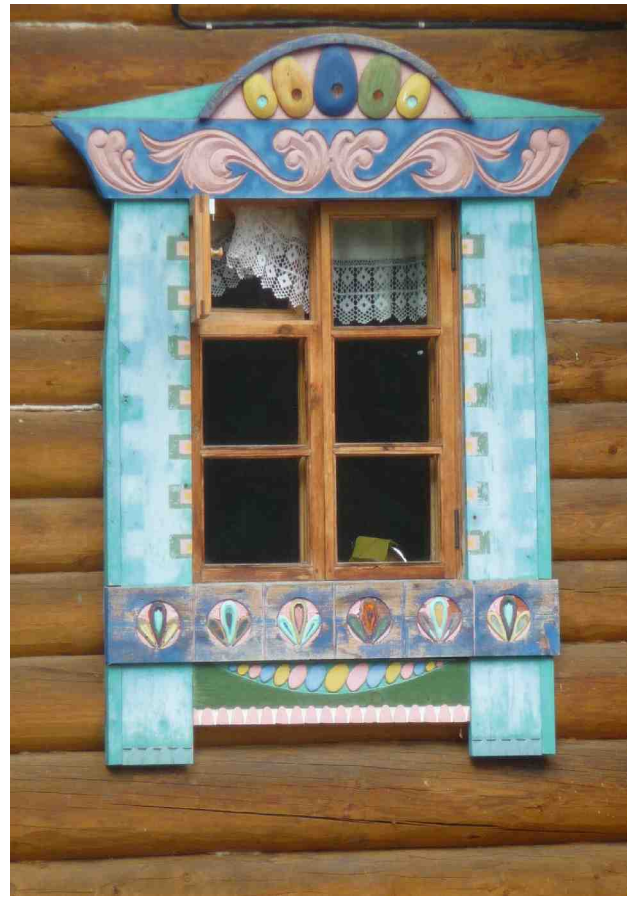
The same workshop.



More houses.







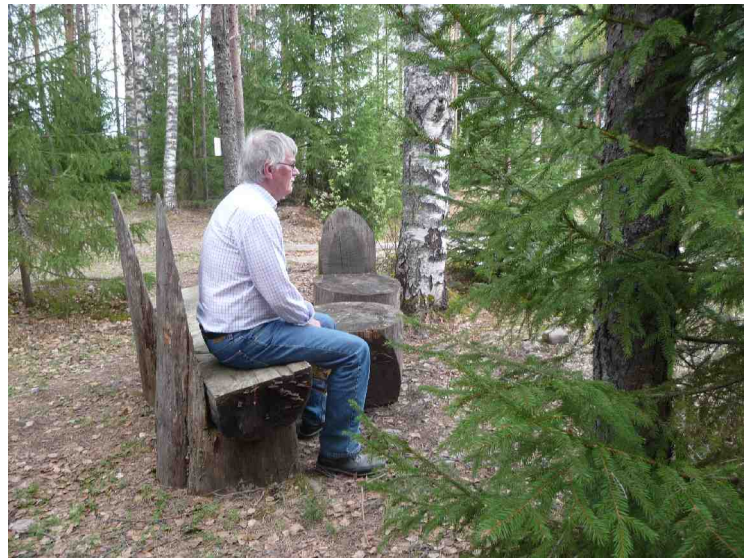
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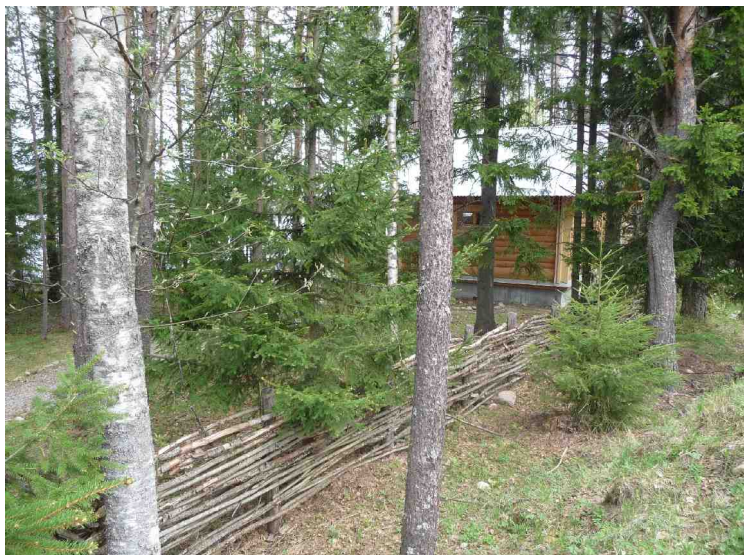
A pond in the woods.



Kjell is sitting on a bench, which is made of a trunk.



Original signs.



It was possible to ride for a sightseeing round in this wagon.









A small quay by the river.



More signs.



There was a cat here, too, but he had not time for us. It was out hunting.





A farm.



Horses.



The horse is talking with Kjell.



Various wagons.



An apartment block.



In the corral is there mini-horses.





The corral.



Riding path.





Garage and storage house.

These trees are growing close together.

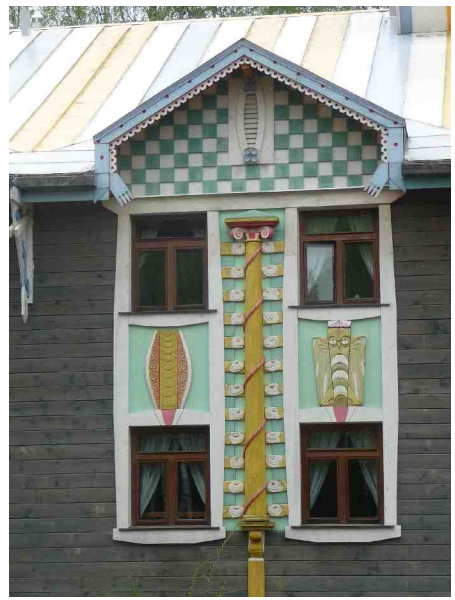


This is the hotel.

A close up of the tower.







There has been put a lot of work into the carvings.



More of the hotel.





Here is a goose and duck farm.



Original poles.



Kjell is framed.



Still another residential house.



Here there is a shooting range.



Bicycle repairation.

Original shields.



There was not much activity at the shooting range today.





A ferry landing.



Here the ferry is arriving. It is crossing the river every 5 minutes.





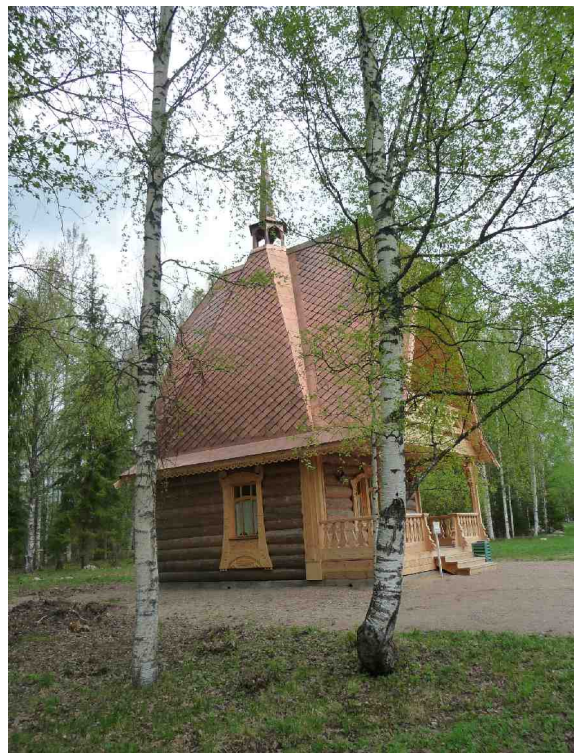
The ferry landing.



There is already arrive new passengers.



Ferry and ferry landing.



A church looking to be quite new.





The running from the gutter.



Mansion.





Park-land.



Windmill.



Crafts workshop.







Modern art?



Sturdy swing.



At the silversmiths.



Approaching a pottery.



Activity at the pottery.







Inside the pottery.



Some of the goods is put on the fence.



A shot for handy craft.



We are going to have lunch in this building.



Now we have finished the sightseeing round and are back to the to the boat.



We went into the pub and had a glass of wine while waiting for the lunch.





In the pub is plenty of space.



Here we are inside the building where we are going to have lunch.

Kjell is talking with a couple from Ilseng in Hedmark.



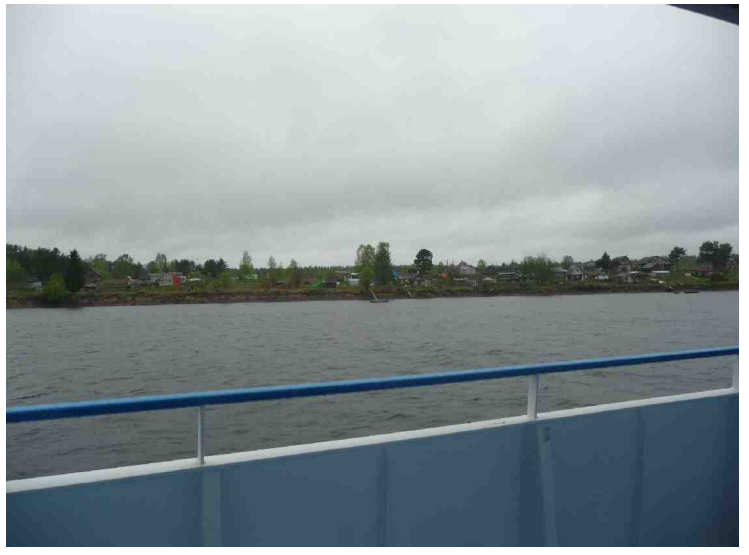
First we get chicken soup, and then it is barbecued food. The musicians from the boat are playing in the background.

This is she who served us on the boat at all meals. She was always happy.

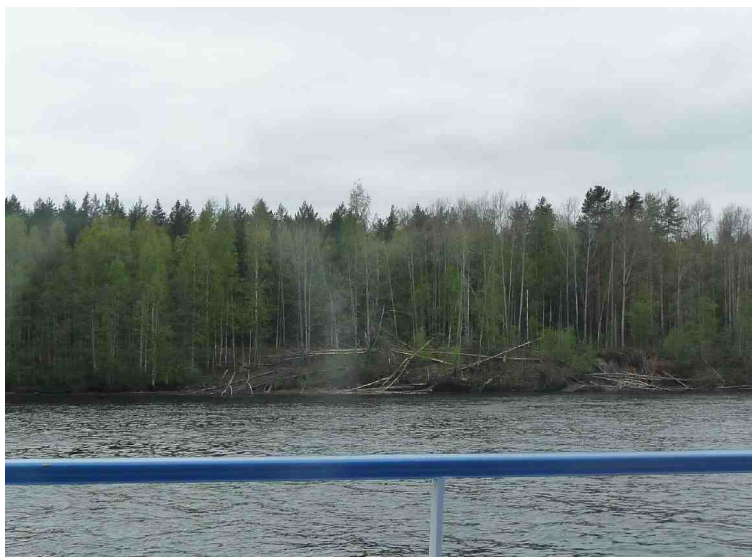




Back on the boat.

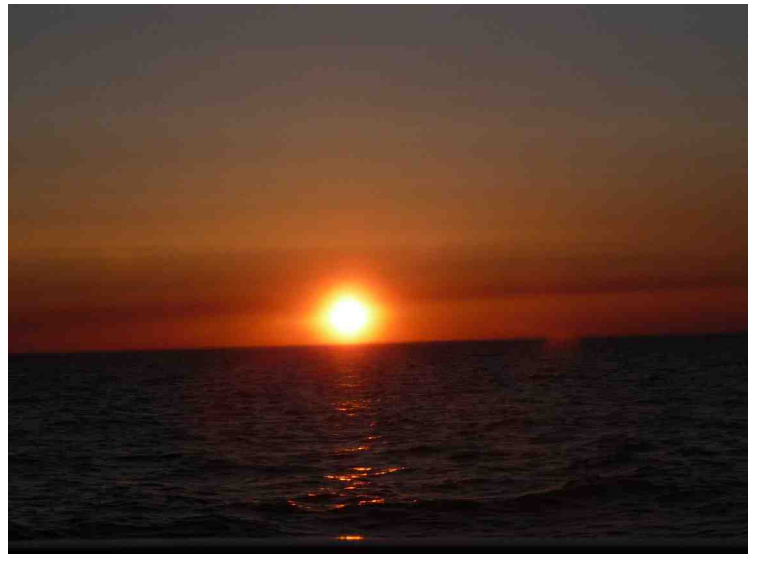
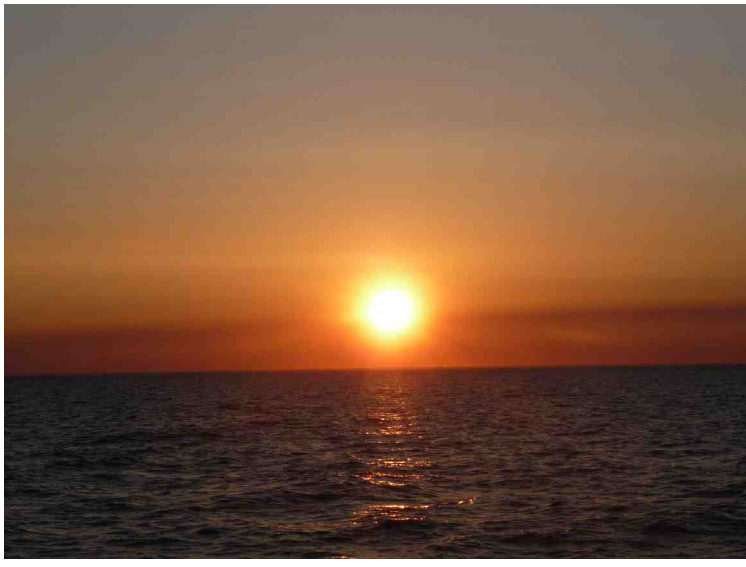


Houses along the Svir river below Mandrogi.



Here there are no more houses.





Evening mood on Ladoga.