

# Marketing in Matsalu National Park

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#### National Parks in Estonia



### Matsalu National Park (48 610 ha)

- 1500 landowners;
- 657 homesteads (+ 420 in ruins);
- 210 permanent homesteads;
- 520 permanent inhabitants (0-20=87; 20-40=64; 40-60=172; 60-90=197).

#### Nature Visitor Centres in Läänemaa



#### Matsalu Visitor Centre

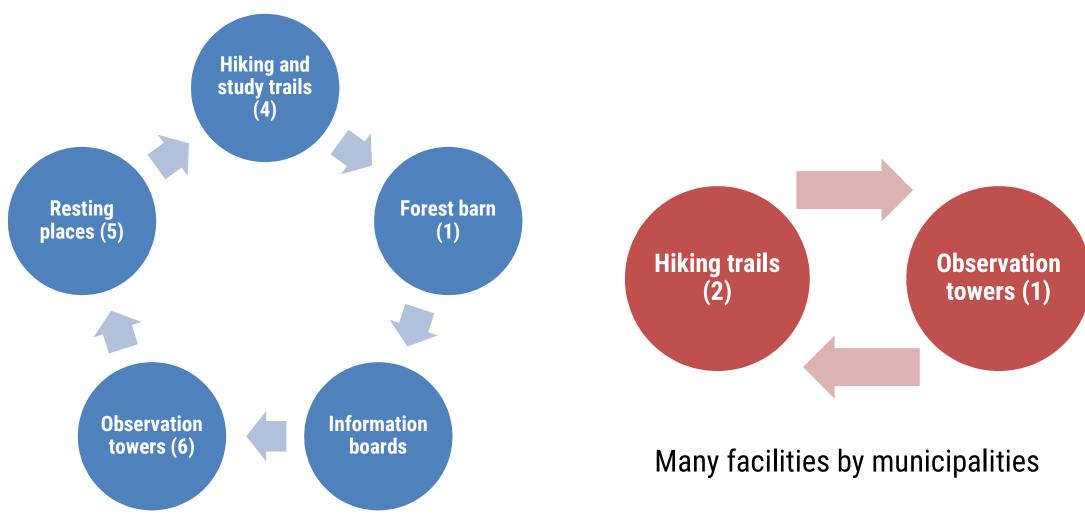
- \* 2015- 5214 visits
- \* 2016- 5280 visits

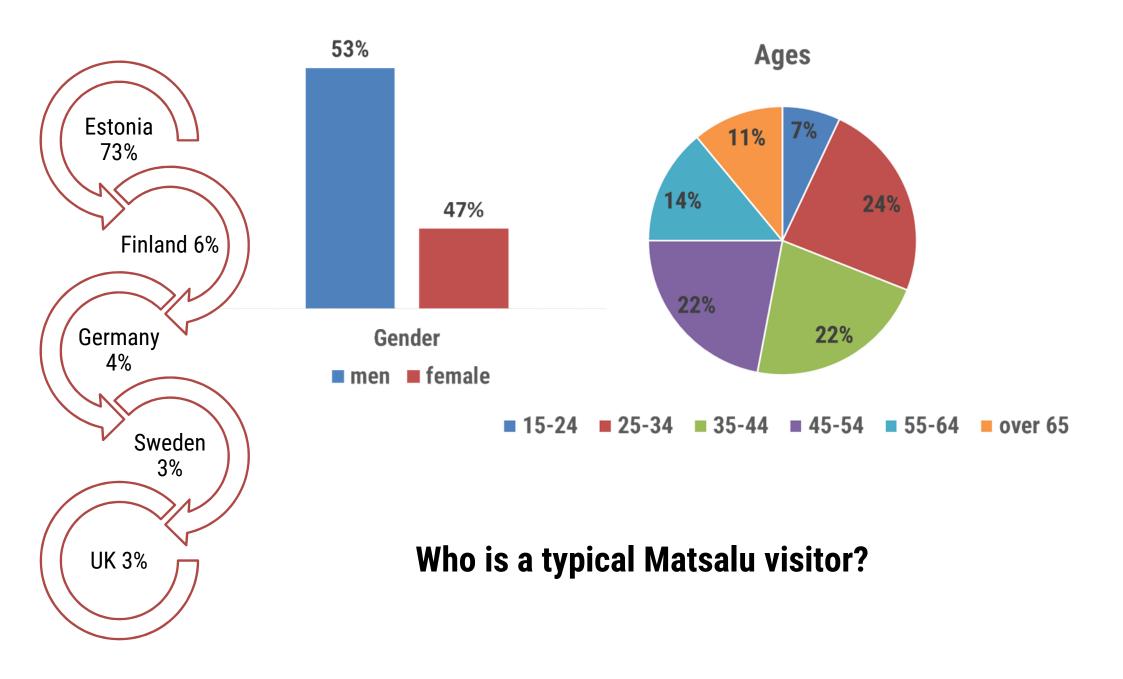


Nõva Visitor Centre

- \* 2015- 9099 visits
- \* 2016- 9114 visits

### Facilities by RMK vs private owner



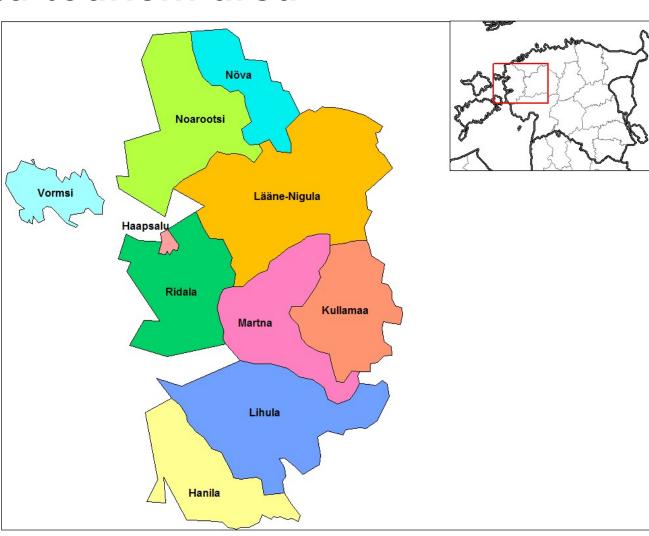


#### Who is a typical Matsalu visitor?

- Mainly 2-5 people in a group;
- Activities such as hiking, nature observation, birdwatching, photography;
- 33% visits in spring, 32% in summer, 23% in autumn & 12% in winter;
- 72% one-day visitors, 28% overnight visitors.

#### Matsalu tourism area





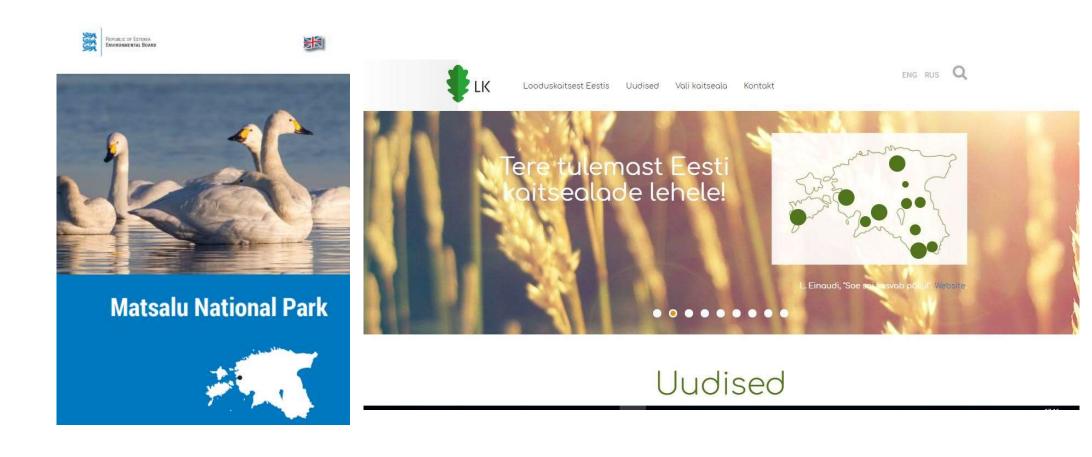
#### Tourism development in Matsalu area

#### Strategy with action plan 2014-2020+

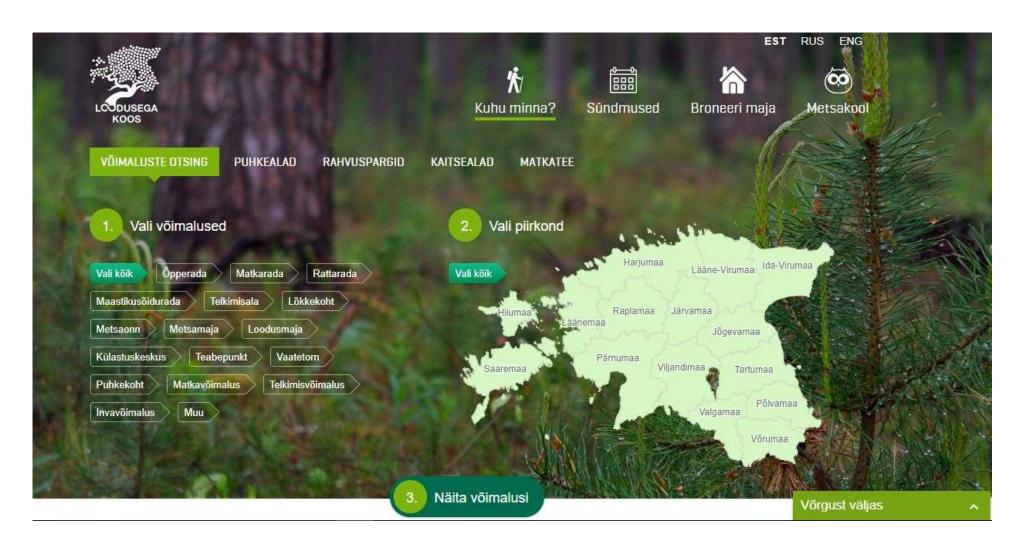
- ✓ Goal 1: Supporting the vitality of the natural and cultural heritage;
- ✓ Goal 2: Supporting the sustainable development of enterprises in the tourism sector and supporting fields;
- ✓ Goal 3: Supporting cooperation between interest groups and engagement with communities;
- ✓ Goal 4: Destination marketing and managing visitor flows;
- ✓ Goal 5: Supporting development of tourism products, including quality.

To promote and support the economy of the Matsalu tourism region by sustainably valuing people, the natural environment and cultural heritage.

## Marketing by Keskkonnaamet (PA authority)



## Marketing by RMK (PA visitor management)



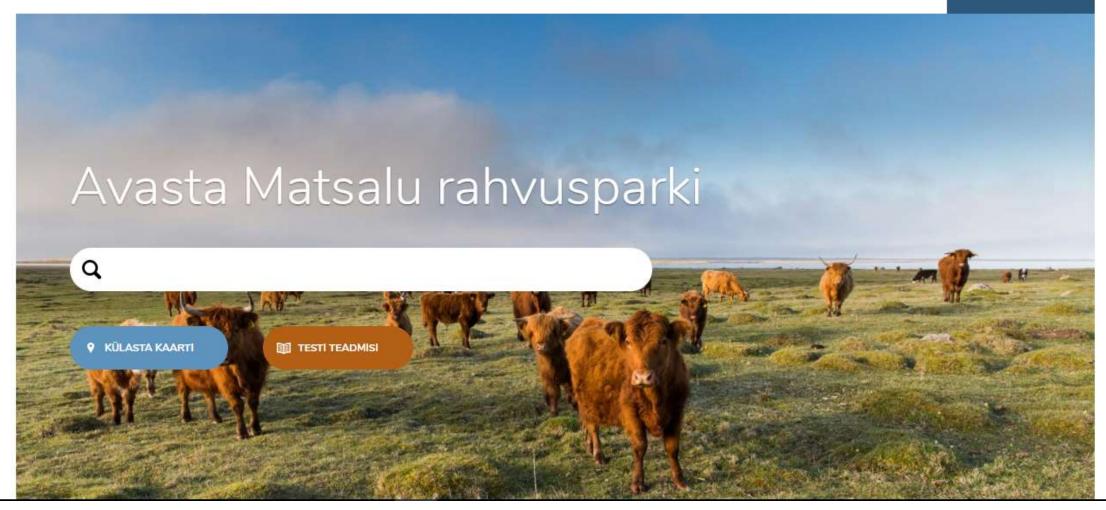


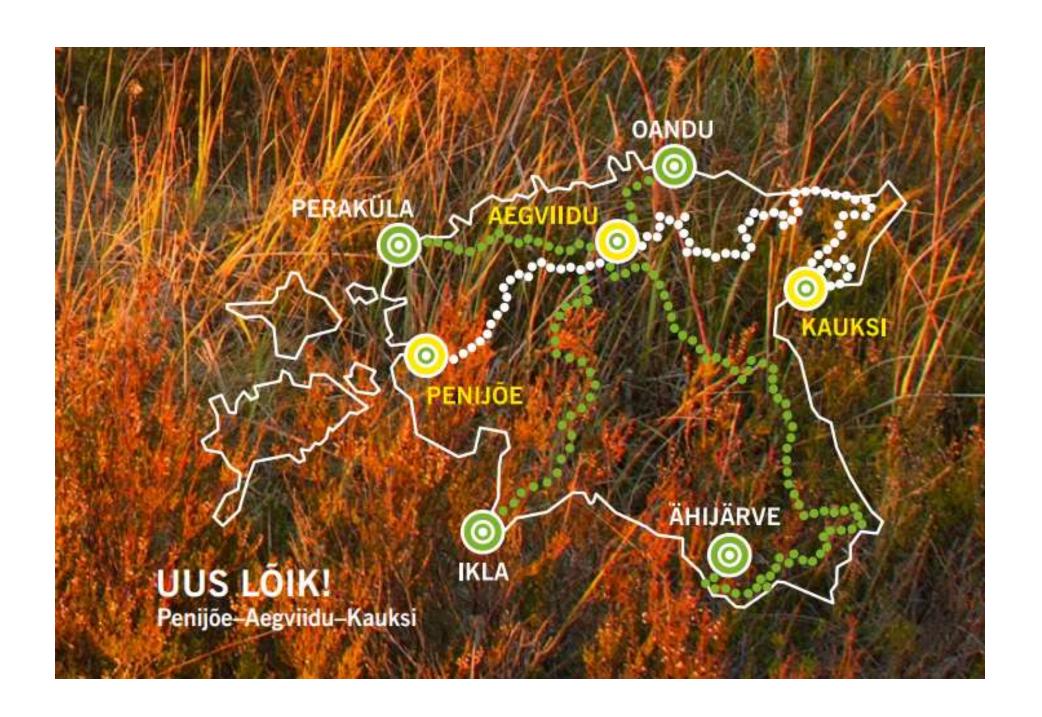












#### Marketing by NGO Terra Maritima

- Photo bank
- E-newsletters for foreign market and informative newsletters for locals
- Ads in nature magazines
- FAMs (trips for journalists)
- Materials to Birdfair
- Renewing <u>www.visitmatsalu.ee</u> (EST, ENG)
- Brochures and flyers
- Facebook page (EST, maybe ENG in the future)

### Marketing by Estonian Tourism Board

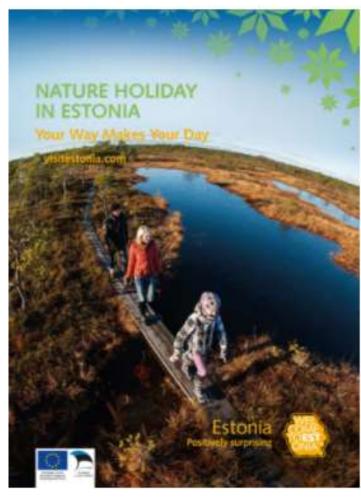




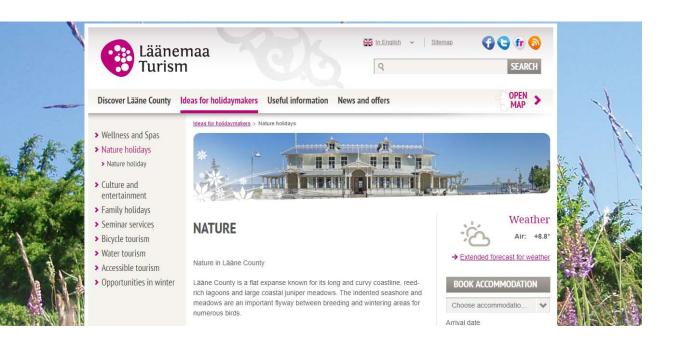


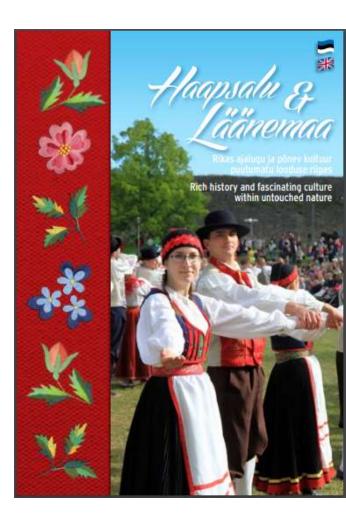






## Marketing by county tourism NGO











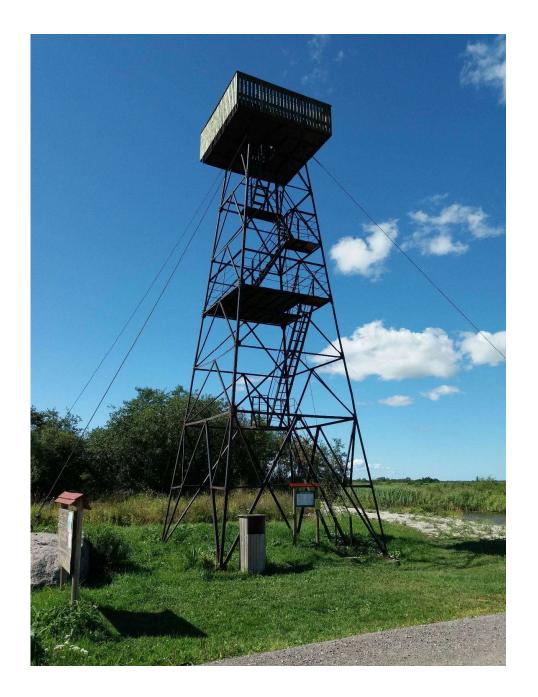
















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