# WE ARE A HOSTEL RECOMMENDED BY THE FINNISH NATURE LEAGUE

- We use green electricity
- For lighting we use primarily LED- or energy-saving lamps
- Our detergent in the sanitary facilities and guest kitchens are eco-labelled and cruelty-free
- Our toilet-, hand towel-, kitchen-, office- and printing paper is eco-labelled
- We change bed linen and towels on guest's request
- In the common premises can be found a book recycling point
- We rent bicycles/ we cooperate with local bike rentals
- + If the below mentioned is offered in the hostel:
- We offer organic-/fair trade coffee and tee
- We offer vegetarian food and prefer local food service/organic products

# WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Turn off the lights and electricity when leaving a room
- Use water only as much as you need
- Drink tap water instead of bottled water
- Inform the staff in case you find a water tap or a toilet tank leaking
- Minimize the amount of waste
- Sort waste
- Leave used batteries at our reception
- Use public transportation whenever possible and explore the area's attractions by bike and walking
- Give preference to stairs
- Give preference to local services
- Donate your already read books to circulation in our book exchange point





# CRITERIA, TO WHICH THE HOSTEL IS COMMITTED BEFORE RECEIVING A REFERENCE:

# **ENERGY**

We use EKOenergy-labelled electricity (www.ekoenergy.org).

We use LED- or energy-saving lamps for lighting and/or renew lamps always by LED- or energy-saving lamps where possible.

# WATER

In our hostel are water saving taps, showers and toilets installed and/or we purchase water saving taps, showers and toilets as we renew the old.

We do not change guest's sheets and towels every day, unless the guest specifically requests it.

# **TRANSPORTATION**

We rent bicycles or work together with local bike rentals.

### **PAPER**

Our toilet-, kitchen- and potential hand towel papers are eco-labelled.

Our office papers and printing papers are eco-labelled.

### **DETERGENT**

Our guests have in the sanitary facilities and guest kitchens access to detergents which are cruelty-free and eco-labelled.

We give preference to cruelty-free and eco-labelled detergents for cleaning.

Our cleaning has been outsourced, but our guidelines instruct to use cruelty-free and eco-labelled detergents and we give weight to ecological detergents already at the service provider selection stage.

# FOOD (if offered)

Our guests can without any requests enjoy as well an always available vegetarian option (contains only herbal raw materials). Coffee, tea and soft drinks can be found also as a fair trade or organic alternative.

In our food variety we give preference to organic products/local raw materials, which we let our guests know.

If drinks/fruits etc. are sold, there are also domestic/local/organic or fair trade alternatives offered.

# WASTE

We sort waste in accordance to the Waste Act and municipal waste management regulations.

# **LIBRARY**

Our guests have access to the book recycling point.

# COMMUNICATION

Our information folder in the room contains information, how it is possible to stay in the hostel in an ecologically way and what the hostel does in advance (finished basic material received by the Hostel Association).

