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WILDLIFE TOURS ORGANISED BY NATOUREST

Evening in Matsalu National Park - birds, elk, and beavers

Matsalu National Park is an internationally recognized and important bird wetland, but due to suitable habitat and strict protective measures there are also great populations of elk, beaver, jackal, and other mammals. Towards the end of May, the first orchids, including the lady's slipper (*Cypripedium calceolus*), start to bloom on the limy meadows of Matsalu. The migration of birds is over, but the later nesters are here and actively singing. On this tour, we visit Haeska, a birdwatching tower holding the northern European record in birdwatching. We walk along a wooded meadow to look at the first orchids. At sunset, we will take a boat ride on River Kasari in order to see the elk, beavers, and listen to nightly singing birds - nocturnal birds nesting by the rivers such as nightingale, river warbler, etc.

We take off from Tallinn on May 27 at 16:00. First, we take the minibus to Haeska bird watching tower, then walk along the wooded meadow and head to the boat trip. We will be back in Tallinn at night.

Price per person, 75€, is inclusive of:

- boat ride on River Kasari;
- transport;
- picnic in the boat;
- tour guide.

Group size 4-16 people

