



## REPUBLIC OF FINLAND

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### About Consul Suokko

Matti Suokko was appointed the honorary consul of Finland in the state of Washington in August 2000 with the U.S. State Department accreditation in November 2000.

Mr. Suokko emigrated to the United States from Finland in early 1993 and lives in the greater Seattle area with his wife, Heli Suokko, and two young sons, Niko and Erik.



### About Finland

**Location:** Northern Europe, bordering the Baltic Sea, Gulf of Bothnia, and Gulf of Finland, between Sweden and Russia

**Size:** 130,666 square miles (slightly smaller than New Hampshire and Vermont combined)

**Population:** 5,266,114 (July 2013 est.)

**Major Industries:** Metal and metal products, electronics, machinery and scientific instruments, shipbuilding, pulp and paper, foodstuffs, chemicals, textiles, clothing.

Finland has a distinct Nordic identity and is known for its beautiful, unspoiled, natural environment. It is the birthplace of the sauna and the composer Sibelius.

### Embassy of Finland

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