

A summer job can become a habit

During high season, both the number of passengers and staff are at their peak on cruise ships sailing on the Baltic Sea. In the summer, a lot of summer employees work on board the ships, many of which have been part of the staff for several summers.

The maritime team of Tallink Silja Oy, a subsidiary of AS Tallink Grupp, includes the staff of the cruise ships M/S Silja Serenade and M/S Baltic Princess, flying under the Finnish flag. The staff is made up of about 1,000 people.

About 200–320 people work on the ships in one shift, depending on the season and the number of passengers. In the summer, the passenger numbers are huge, which naturally also increases the number of summer employees. **Sami Mäenpää** and **Mikko Saarijärvi** have both worked on board a ship for several summers.

Mäenpää has worked as an Assistant Purser already for four summers, and he says that one of the advantages of the job is meeting a lot of different people every day. – I'm definitely going to apply for a job on a ship again next summer. This job also goes really well with studying, he says.

Saarijärvi, who worked as a Deck Officer last summer, has worked for Silja Line for three summers now. – I've enjoyed working here very much, and I don't feel any need to go anywhere else as long as there's a job here for me. Who knows, I might be working here still for many years to come, Saarijärvi says.

Work also for landlubbers

Around 400 people work in Tallink Silja Oy's land-based team in Helsinki, Turku, Mariehamn and Tampere. **Minna-Liisa Kazonen**, who worked at the check-in at the West Terminal in Helsinki in the summer of 2015, mentioned working with people and variety as one of the plus sides of the job. – Every day is different, as are the customers and the departures, says Minna.

How to work at Tallink Silja?

All employees must be at least 18 years of age. The search criteria vary according to the task, but they are described in more detail in each recruitment notice. Tallink Silja Oy always notifies of vacancies on the company's website. Open applications are also always accepted. Fill in your application by visiting tallinksilja.fi/rekry.



