

Organically grown

Herbal Products

from Finland's pure nature since 1981



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Frantsila Organic Herb Farm is a pioneer of organic herb growing and has been a natural health product manufacturer in Finland since 1981.

The Frantsila Organic Herb Farm

is located 40km north west of Tampere, Finland. The area is environmentally clean with a high percentage of organic farms adjoining the Frantsila property. The farm has been in the same family for at least 300 years. The growing of herbs on the farm started in 1981 when Virpi Raipala-Cormier and her husband Jim Cormier decided to establish a herbal centre on the family farm.



The philosophical base of Frantsila Organic Herb Farm is to do as much

good as possible and to help uplift the overall physical, mental, and emotional health of the public with high quality Finnish organic herbal products and holistic health education.

Development of herbal medicines and other herbal products has been an ongoing process from the early days to present. More than 200 natural health products have been developed over the years.

Virpi and Jim have led Frantsila Herb Farm through various phases of development.

The early years were full of experimenting with different forms of organic growing. Many different types of medicinal plants were put through growing trials. The plants most suitable to the Finnish climate and those with the best medicinal quality were selected for growing and production.



The early years were also very busy with the development of an educational facility and educational programs to meet the thirst for knowledge of plants and healing. Frantsila School of Natural Healing was formed and continues schooling herbalists and other complementary medicine professionals.

[Frantsila Well-being Centre](#) is the heart of holistic treatments and also acts as wellness center for visitors and groups.

"VITALITY FROM FRANTSILA HERBS

The main aim in the processing of our products is to preserve the healing powers of Finnish plants as much as possible. Finland's pure nature, biological farming and optimal timing of harvesting and processing ensure the effectiveness of our herbal products."



By 1986 the public demand to visit the farm had grown to such an extent that an other centre in the beautiful riverside of Hämeenkyrö village was established to meet this need. A public herbal exhibition garden was established. In the same area a vegetarian cafe and a herbal health product shop

Frantsilan Kehäkukka were opened. Here lectures are given to the public on different herbal topics such as growing, plant medicine, herbal beauty treatment and culinary use.

By being a very dynamic company, Frantsila has won several awards for its contribution to the welfare of the community. Frantsila is networking also with other organic farmers and wildcrafters in Finland as well as natural, health shops, therapists, spas and holistic education professionals.

About the founder's of Frantsila:



Virpi has worked with herbs since early childhood. She started making herbal tea mixtures and growing culinary herbs as a young girl. She has had a continual interest in herbal growing and herbal medicine throughout her life. She studied Agriculture at the University of Helsinki and graduated as an agronomist. Besides herbalism, she has studied homeopathy, aromatherapy, flower essences and traditional chinese medicine.

She has actively promoted organic growing methods and holistic views of life and all of Frantsila's work is of

course based on those principles.

Jim worked in gardens and was interested in nature since early childhood. His interest in medicinal plants blossomed after completing high school and before entering university. He studied Agriculture and selected Plant science as his area of study. Throughout the University time and afterwards his interest in herbal medicine grew.

Luckily Virpi and Jim found each other, so Frantsila could be established. Now Jim is leading the production and Virpi is responsible for product development and education.

DIRECTIONS:

Public transport:
From Railway station
or bus station
in Tampere,
40 km towards Vaasa.

Cars:
From Tampere
drive towards Vaasa
for 40 km.
road number 3

