

Second Hand

STORES – HELSINKI

A guide for
thrifting in
the capital
area

by OSA

HELLO, FELLOW THRIFTER!

Among many things, Finland is known for its environmental consciousness that leads to an alive thrifting lifestyle that goes beyond Facebook groups. Independent of your social status, **thrifting is good for the planet and also for your bank account.** So, join us!

We prepared this guide to help you to know the main second-hand stores in the capital area, as well as to find which store could fit you best.

Hope it helps.

Sincerely,
OSA





UFF

The largest second-hand franchise in the country, you can find a UFF pretty much throughout Finland. At UFF you can find treasures for every style (if you have the patience to search for them). Part of their income from selling clothes is invested in projects to promote education and economic development in African and Asian countries. The Helsinki region has 14 UFF stores, of which 5 are focused on vintage pieces/styles.

Price range: 4€ - 60€

How to save money: Every two months UFF has a sales week before starting a new collection. Starting at 8 euros, the price goes down every day until it gets to only 1 euro. This is the perfect opportunity for you to fill your closet with good clothes and shoes paying less.

TASARAHALLA KAIKKI TUOTTEET!

MA 11.9	TI 12.9	KE 13.9	TO-PE 14-15.9
8€	7€	6€	5€
LA-MA 16-18.9	TI-KE 19-20.9	TO-PE 21-22.9	LA 23.9
4€	3€	2€	1€

VINTAGE AND **UFF** SECONDHAND

How to buy famous brand clothing: Every change of collection has brand clothing spread through all UFFs (Diesel, Prada, Guess, DG, etc). There's a competitive queue for those, so if you want to buy one of those exclusive pieces, follow UFF's Instagram. They will post the pieces, in which stores they will be available, and be sure to be there as soon as they open the store (:

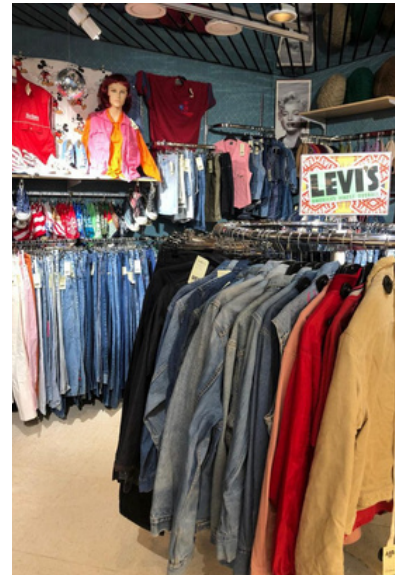
How to donate: If you have clothes of good quality to donate, UFF has around 40 collection points spread throughout the Helsinki area. In 2022 around 12.3 million kilos of clothes were donated and recycled by UFF.





Here are some suggestions of where you can find the best deals:

- **Fredrikinkatu 36 (Keskusta), Vintage Shop**
 - **good for:** Coats, vintage sneakers, skirts.
- **Helsinginkatu 22**
 - **good for:** Shoes, female sports clothes
- **Runeberginkatu 44 (Töölöntori), Vintage Shop**
 - **good for:** Coats and layers
- **Runeberginkatu 4 c (Kamppi)**
 - **good for:** shoes
- **Hämeentie 4 (Hakaniemi), Vintage Shop**
 - **good for:** layers and party dresses
- **Turunlinnantie 12 (Itäkeskus)**
 - **good for:** denim pants



 <https://uff.fi/>

 @uff_fi



Fida

Fida is another well-known second-hand franchise in Helsinki. Differently from UFF, Fida also sells second-hand furniture and as a responsible project for the environment, their non-sold items are used in energy production and/or other recycled uses.





The Helsinki region has 7 Fida stores, where you can find treasures for the Nordic style.

Price range: 8€- 100€

How to save money: By showing the student card, students have a 15% discount.

How to donate: If you have good quality things to donate, you can call 050 300 5035 for a free pickup.

Here are some suggestions of where you can find the best deals:

- **Fida Hakaniemi, Hämeentie 5a**
 - **good for:** Bags, books, and ethnic clothes (ex: abaya).

 <https://www.fida.fi/>

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Kierrätyskeskus

This is the Capital Region Recycling Center, and there you can find pretty much everything (from clothes and toys to bikes and furniture). Their goal is to reduce the consumption of natural resources in Helsinki

As part of their initiative, they also promote environmental awareness in schools as well.





The Helsinki region has 13 stores spread throughout the capital.

Price range: 0€- 150€

How to save money: During the entire year their stores have a FREE AREA, where all the goods in the determined space are for free.

How to donate: You can take your treasures to a store near you or order their pickup service (tax will be charged)



<https://www.kierratyskeskus.fi/>



@kierratyskeskus



Relove

Relove is a second hand space where people can rent racks and sell their clothing treasures. The space even counts with a lovely cafe shop where you can enjoy a macchiato with a good piece of cake.

The Helsinki region has 3 Relove stores, where you can find treasures for a more exclusive style.





Price Range: 20€- 150€

Here are some suggestions of where you can find the best deals:

- **Fredrikinkatu 25**
 - **good for:** exclusive pieces with color and personality.



 <https://www.relove.fi/>

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Flea Second Hand

Flea is one among the dozens of second-hand stores in Helsinki focused on luxury items. Just like Relove, Flea rents their sales place for people who have good treasures to sell. If luxury is your thing, but you are not a millionaire yet, this is the place for you. There you can find anything from Mari Mekko to Chanel dresses.

Price range: 80€- 400€





<https://fleasecondhand.com/>



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Summer Time

During summer you can find good second hand deals at food fairs.

Outside Helsinki Area

Outside the capital area you can also find amazing deals at:

- **Red Cross Kontti in Vantaa and Espoo.** There you can have amazing finds of decorations, curtains, books, furniture, and sometimes even brand new clothes still with price tags.
<https://sprkontti.fi/>
- **UFF Matinkyla.** Their brand new store at Iso Omena has a wide offer of boots and accessories.





Keep your eyes open!

This guide is focused on clothing. However, in Helsinki, you can find second-hand stores of everything (toys, DVDs, electronics, vinyls, etc). If you know any other good places for thrifting in Finland, don't forget to share the tip with your friends! Let's make recycling our way of living (;

