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Kruunuvuorenranta

Urban living on an island





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Lights on the horizon

The city district of Kruunuvuorenranta will be built on the southwestern part of Laajasalo Island, where the large oil harbour containers have so far been the most dominant feature. In fifteen years, Kruunuvuorenranta will offer approximately ten thousand people a seaside residence close to nature.

Kruunuvuorenranta is impressively surrounded by the sea and the nature of the archipelago. On the varying shoreline you can enjoy the views to the sea, go swimming on the beaches, or walk along the boat harbours and shore promenades. In the west you can see the old city with its church towers; Suomenlinna lies to the south and towards the east you can gaze the island scenery.

From closure to leisure

The Kruunuvuorenranta region is unknown to the city dwellers. The oil harbour has been closed to the public, and hikers have not found their way to the cliffs of Kruunuvuori. Only a few people have known that the manor park of Stansvik is open to the public.

Now at the beginning of the 21st century, Kruunuvuori, the shores of Haakoninlahti, and Koirasaari and Stansvik are opening up for all of the city to enjoy. The construction of the first areas will start in 2012. Kruunuvuorenranta will be a short tram or water bus ride away from the centre. The area will become a varied seaside centre for leisure time.

Urban living in the 2010s

Kruunuvuorenranta is designed as a diverse area consisting of residential neighbourhoods of apartment buildings and houses. The range of residential buildings includes different types of housing units, small blocks, terrace-houses and urban single-family houses, a few plots with their own beaches and floating housing units.

1 Borgströminmäki

The residential quarters of the wooded Borgströminmäki area are partially located as islands between the cliff tops, and partially as a ribbon along Koirasaarentie. The planning of the area was performed as a partnership. Borgströminmäki will also house a day-care centre, grocery store and the Laajasalo rescue station.

2 Gunillankallio

Gunillankallio is connected to the residential quarter of Laajasalo. The residential quarters have been inserted into the rocky terrain. The new buildings, with 3-5 floors, are tucked into the lower hillside. Small houses will also be built in the area.

3 Kaitalahti residential area

The residential area in Kaitalahti will be expanded. Hopeakaivoksentie will be extended to Koirasaarentie, and will house 43 new plots for detached houses. The twostorey houses are based on the "Helsinki" detached house plan, which fits on small plots and in an urban environment.

4 Hopealaakso

A block-intensive residential quarter, school, day-care centre and exercise park serving all of Kruunuvuorenranta will be built in Hopealaakso. Hopealaakso is located along Koirasaarentie, bordered by the natural areas with cliffs.

5 Haakoninlahti

Haakoninlahti will mostly be constructed as block-intensive residential quarters. The shoreline will become a pier-like promenade with restaurants, surrounded by urban houses. Haakoninlahti will become the centre for services at Kruunuvuorenranta.

6 Kruunuvuori

The southern part of Kruunuvuori will be built into small-scale quarters that rise up the hillside in terraces. The floor level of the buildings will rise up the hill, so that all apartments have a sea view.

Koirasaaret islands

In the Koirasaaret islands, which are separated by channels, small urban houses and blocks of flats are located near the water, with their own beaches or as floating houses. The banked park on the southwest





shore is designed to protect against the fierce sea climate of winter.

8 Stansvikinnummi

Stansvikinnummi has been designed with small-scale, garden-type quarters reminiscent of old Finnish towns with wooden buildings.

9 Stansvik Manor

Recreational areas of Stansvik Manor are open for everyone. The manor has been restored and is managed by the City of Helsinki and is used for summer home activities.

Services

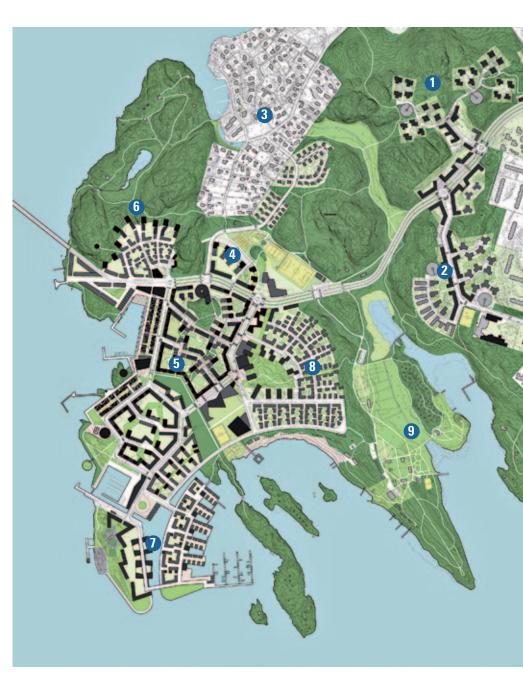
Kruunuvuorenranta will include its own basic services: elementary schools, daycare centres and grocery stores. Some of the services will be available at the centre of Laajasalo. Constructing Kruunuvuorenranta will give a better starting point to the whole of Laajasalo for developing services.

Bridge connection

The current traffic connection from Kruunuvuorenranta to the city centre, via Herttoniemi, is about 10 kilometres long.

The planned bridge connection from Kruununhaka via Sompasaari to Kruunuvuorenranta will bring all of Laajasalo closer to the centre. The connection will also shorten the trip to the centre for cyclists.

Water transport is also under consideration. The water traffic connection between Kauppatori and Kruunuvuorenranta would emphasise the marine nature of Kruunuvuorenranta and all of Helsinki.





Estimated construction start

Gunillankallio and Hopealaakso	2012
Kaitalahti	2013
Borgströminmäki	2013
Haakoninlahti	2014
Kruunuvuori	2014
Koirasaaret	2016
Stansvikinnummi	2018

Kruunuvuorenranta in numbers

Gross floor area for housing, m ²	500000
Gross floor area for offices, m ²	50000
Residents	10000
Jobs	700–800
Housing quarter and traffic areas, ha	95
Recreation and nature areas, ha	106
Construction work	2010-2025

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Lights over Kruunuvuorenranta

Kruunuvuorenranta has a unique location. From the centre, the area looks like another city behind the sea. By lighting up Kruunuvuorenranta, we are creating a landscaping work of art and a stage for lighting events, visible from both the city centre and the sea.

A few oil containers and pier structures will be preserved as mementos in Kruunuvuorenranta. The largest container will be converted into a covered, versatile outdoor space, a piece of light art and a landmark.