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The total length of the route

is 8750 steps (7 km).

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Map Base:

Helsinki Metropolitan Area Service Map

- Uikunpesä, Villa Elfvik Villa Elfvikin pihamaa, Elfvikintie 4
- Ruukinrannan satama Ruukinrannantie 27
- Linnean vanha puutarha Ville Vallgrenin tie 8 A
- Ruokarouvan fiktiivinen täysihoitola Ville Vallgrenin tie 14:n ja Joel Rundtin tien risteyksen välissä
- Perkkaan viljelypalstat Majurinkulma 3
- Perkkaan asukaspuisto Majurinpolku 3
- Puutarhurin mökki Sokerilinnantie 7

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- Vanhan Albergan puutarha Upseerinkadun päässä
- Hatsinanpuisto, Monikonpuron rannat Perkkaantie 2
- Leppävaaranraitin Ruusupuisto ja Muukalaispuisto Leppävaaranraitti
- Monikon koulun kosteikko Lintuvaarantie 12 (Veräjäpellonreitin puolella)
- Leppävaaran urheilupuiston peltoaukea
- Leppäsillan viljelypalstat ja mehiläispesät

The locations marked in red

have a varied program from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Destination and event descriptions can be found on page 2.

Villa Elfvik Uikunpesä

At Uikunpesä in the yard of Villa Elfvik, there are guided activities for children in the midst of nature, and adults can learn about the activities of the Espoo Garden Association from 11 am to 2 pm. The Nature Center showcases Raimo Palmu's memorial exhibition "Four Seasons of Laajalahti," and the café is open throughout the event. A trail marked with ribbons and signs leads from the Nature Center to the next destination. Along the route, you can explore the beautiful Rantaraitti.

Ruukinranta Harbor

From the main route of Rantaraitti, it's worth visiting the current marina, where you'll find an information board about the history of the harbor area. This includes details about the 18th-century brick factory that supplied bricks for the construction of Suomenlinna fortress. Steamboats have transported summer visitors to Alberga.

Linnea's Old Garden

Linnea Cohen awaits visitors in her garden from 11 am to 2 pm, sharing the intriguing history of her over 100-year-old log house, Villa Bjökås. She'll also talk about the neighboring villas and their residents. The frequent visitors of the garden, deer, sometimes interrupt the floral beauty.

The Fictional all-inclusive Inn of Ruokarouva An information board introduces visitors to the world of Ida Eriksson's fictional all-inclusive inn. Author Enni Mustonen has placed the events of the popular Ruokarouva novel in this location, fittingly next to the sculptor couple Ville and Viivi Vallgren's villa. You might even meet Ville and Viivi's pet pigs. The motorway is passed through a tunnel between Ville Vallgren's road and Perkkaa's Majurinkulma.

Perkkaa Cultivation Plots
At the cultivation plots managed by Perkkaa-Vermo Association, visitors can learn about the activities of the plot cultivators and witness the late summer abundance of crops. There's an information board at the site, and you can get more information about the association's managed cultivation plots at location 7.

Perkkaa Resident Park

An information board reveals that the popular playground is actually located on the old Suurhuopalahti hill. There used to be a splendid fruit orchard in the same location. The village's houses were granted to Johan Gyldenär by the King of Sweden, who established Alberga Manor in 1622 from his lands. Only Bergans remained independent on the same hill. Present-day Perkkaa and part of Vermonniitty were built on Bergans'

Gardener's Cottage

Visitors can explore the charming gardener's cottage that once belonged to Alberga Manor and its history from 11 am to 2 pm. Perkkaa-Vermo Association presents the rental opportunities for the cottage, which can be rented for small events. The rustic cottage features accordion music, and the Pop-Up Café offers refreshments, including the Espoo Day signature pastries and other homemade treats.

Old Alberga Garden

The baroque garden of the old Alberga Manor is a rarity in Finland. Established in the 18th century, the garden's patterns included not only flowers but also useful plants. A fishpond was located on the lowest level of the terraces. The garden was restored in 2016, and there's a splendid city information board about the garden's history on site.

Hatsina Park, Monikonpuro Shores Hatsina Park presents the restoration status of Espoo's streams and discusses the living conditions of water bodies and fish in an urban environment. Visitors will learn how residents can observe the condition of water bodies themselves. It's also a great opportunity to explore the vegetation along the stream. In addition to fish, other aquatic creatures have been spotted in the stream.

Leppävaaranraitti's Rose Park and Muukalaispuisto Park

Leppävaaranraitti celebrates the recently completed renovation from 11 am to 2 pm and raises a toast to the preservation of the beloved Rose Park. At the Leppävaara-Seura booth, you can learn about the active efforts of residents to improve the local environment. Guided walking tours on the renewed park terraces will help you recognize park vegetation and its seven different species of roses. The events at the location also extend to the adjacent Muukalaispuisto Park.

Monikko School Wetland

At the corner of the new Monikko School, visitors can admire how stormwater management has been elegantly integrated into the construction. The Environmental and Building Control Committee, along with the Environmental and Building Supervision Center, recognized the stormwater wetland in 2021. There's an information board at the site.

Leppävaara Sports Park Field

The explorer's journey through an open landscape designated for preservation in the regional plan. Just a year ago, the expanse waved with crops, but now the area lies fallow. Nutrients remain in the soil, attracting first grassy weeds and later willows and birches. Alien species and garden escapees are also visible. Unfortunately, wildflowers that require nutrient-poor soil do not thrive here. Nevertheless, there is some benefit to the environment: lapwings and larks successfully nest here, undisturbed by agricultural machinery. An information board is located at the site.

At Leppäsilta, there are cultivation plots and beehives

On the city-managed allotment area, one can observe plants from grapevines to carrots. You can practice identifying wildflowers and learn about the benefits of plants like the buckwheat plant. Near the allotment beehives, you can explore the life of domesticated bees in presentations starting at 12 and 1 pm. If the honey is ready, there will be tastings. Children can participate in a nature-themed storytelling exercise at the edge of the vegetable garden and practice playing with hay. There will be activities in the area from 11 am to 2 pm.



