



POROLUOTO

The buildings can be found at the northern end of Poroluoto. The small hut is suitable as a day trip destination and for overnight stays. The island also has a toilet, information board, campfire site and sauna. Poroluoto is ideal as a rest stop for paddlers and, weather permitting, skiers in winter. Poroluoto is part of Kokkola National Urban Park. The city provides firewood for Poroluoto.

RUOTSALO NATURE AND HERITAGE TRAIL (6.2 KM)

Medium difficulty/easy trail The nature trail is marked with blue paint, tapes, signposts and maps. The trail is mostly easy. There are sections of medium difficulty on either side of Hopeakallio and Maajärvi.

Along this nature trail maintained by Ruotsalo village association, you can find boards with historical information. There is a landing site for paddlers at Vähäjärvi lean-to shelter. Vähäjärvi Lake in Kälviä is known for its freshwater pearl mussels, and you may come across mussel shells on its shores. The soil is calcareous, and limestone was extracted from a quarry located here in the 1950s. Calcareous soil produces unique vegetation. There is a herb-rich forest protection area where the rare Eggleaf twayblade can

HARJUKARI LEAN-TO SHELTER AND **BIRDWATCHING TOWER**

Harjukari lean-to shelter is located in the village of Marinkainen near the coast. The lean-to shelter has a campfire site, firewood shed and toilet. There is also a birdwatching tower in the area. The lean-to shelter is suitable for a rest stop on day trips for larger groups. The coastline areas belong to the Natura 2000 site of Vattajanniemi. The city does not provide firewood for this destination.

MATKUSKORPI

Matkuskorpi lean-to shelter can be found along Matkuskorventie road, around 4 km from Kajaanitie road. The lean-to shelter sits at the bottom of a high rock formation surrounded by forest. There is a campfire site, seats and a toilet in the area. The lean-to shelter is suitable for a rest stop on day trips. The city does not provide firewood for this destination.

RISTILAMPI LEAN-TO SHELTER

Medium difficulty trail

Ristilampi Lake is located near the border between Kälvi and Kruunupyy municipalities in Ristineva mire conservation area. The lean-to shelter is located on a scenic southern slope on the edge of the open mire. The area is an ideal destination for a day trip. There are no signposts leading to the lean-to shelter. The city does not provide firewood for this destination.

LOHTAJA PESÄKIVET ERRATIC BOULDERS

Pesäkivet are large erratic boulders carried along by the ice sheet during the last Ice Age. In the past, the church towers of the three municipalities of Lohtaja, Kälviä and Kannus could be seen from the top of Lohtaja boulders. The boulders are almost ten metres high, which is why care should be taken when climbing on them. They are also suitable for bouldering. Please remember to only go bouldering in the company of a skilled spotter, and ensure that you have a sufficient number of pads in case of a fall. There is a campfire site here but no firewood provided by the city.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKI TRACKS

The ski tracks of Ruotsalo School and Rytinkangas have lights. Ridankylä route is a serviced ski track. The ski tracks are kept open as permitted by weather.



- When hiking, take note of the bird nesting season (from 15 April to 31 July).
- Please follow marked trails to avoid damaging the sensitive nature of this area.

Access

Poroluoto

The landing site is in the bottom of the bay behind the breakwater. Landing may be difficult in northerly winds. Poroluoto island is accessed by water. Weather permitting, Poroluoto can be reached on skis in winter.

Ruotsalo heritage trail

Höökintie 36. Cars can be left in the parking area for Vähäjärvi lean-to shelter, which is located less than a hundred metres from Höökintie road, along which the trail leads.

Ristilampi lean-to shelter

A path leads from Ristinevantie road to the lean-to shelter. The trailhead is difficult to spot.

Harjukari

Kipponpauhantie 50-56.
A lean-to shelter and a birdwatching tower are found at the end of Kipponpauhantie road. The parking area is located along Kipponpauhantie road, 100 m from the lean-to shelter.

Matkuskorpi

Markuskorventie.
The lean-to shelter is located about four kilometres from Kajaanintie road and slightly over half a kilometre further on from Korkianniemenpisto junction.

Pesäkivet erratic boulders

Pesäkiventie Turn to Pesäkiventie from Kajaanitie or Kunkaantie roads. There are signposts at the

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Valuable bird nesting area



Hut



Guest marina



Birdwatching tower





Boat launching ramp



