

ENONRANTA OUTDOOR SWIMMING ROUTES

Start & Finish:

Enonranta lean-to. You can reach Enonranta by boat or a canoe/kayak from e.g. Hanhitaipale Fishing Port. By car you can drive to the Kalaja Parking lot and take the marked hiking trail to Enonranta. Please have a map with the routes on hand! There is a large lean-to/hut and an outdoor toilet at Enonranta. Please bring your own toilet paper. Please also note

that no fires are allowed during the forest fire warning!

Co-ordinates:

Euref-Fin (~ WGS84) lat: 62° 34.8509' lon: 26° 39.0972' ETRS-TM35FIN

N: 6938938 E: 482101

Difficulty:

challenging

- To get to the starting point of the swim requires a longer hike or paddling or a water taxi.
- On the Southern Konnevesi Lake the wind may blow hard on large open waters. Keep your eye on the weather which may change rapidly.
- Try to arrange your swim on days with calmer weather. Please also note

that if on the way out the wind blows from behind, it will most likely be against you when you swim back, so it will make swimming much harder.

- This is wilderness, and there are natural rocks, shoals, shallows and underwater trunks.
- There are also cottages, people moving with boats and large cruise ships, so please observe particular caution.
- As a swimmer, you may not be so visible in the water even with the compulsory swimming buoy.
- People may have fishing nets in the water as well.
- Never swim alone!

Mandatory equipment:

- wetsuit
- goggles
- swimming buoy
- map of the area and route
- for longer trips: drinking bottle, energy snacks, shoes, towel, clothes, phone, medication if needed (e.g. asthma inhaler)
- Finnish Swimming Association checklist: urly.fi/13Eh (only in Finnish)

The routes have been planned so that you can shorten your trip by turning back earlier or walking back on land. The routes have not been marked on the terrain/water. All the open water swimming routes are intended for experienced swimmers. The routes have been also planned so that you can combine your swimming visit to the National Park with other activities such as hiking, paddling or mountain biking.

There are 3 routes starting from Enonranta. Two of the routes go along the shoreline and back the same way. The 3rd route goes around the island that is close by.

The Majaniemi Route, 1660 m

The route starts from the landing stage following the shoreline towards Majaniemi. In the beginning of the route there is the lovely Myhkyri Island (on your left). After the island, a little further (approx. 300 m), you will see a beautiful dead tree leaning over the lake. After the tree, you may want to head towards the Majaniemi Cottage. A sauna, shelter and a pier are the distinctive features of Majaniemi. When you move further away from the dead tree, the route will pass by two rocky coves. You will see the larger shoals by the cove to your right, right after the dead tree. The next larger shoals lie just before Majaniemi. Before the shoals, there is a good place to turn around on the route and come back to Enonranta. If you don't wish to swim anymore or are exhausted, there's a path following the shoreline that you can use to get back to where you started from. Please note that the path does not go all the way to Majaniemi. Please also try to avoid getting ashore Majaniemi if you are not currently renting the place.

The Myhkyri Island Route, 860 m

You can see the island when you look to your right from the end of the pier. Swim along the shoreline close to the island and then take a turn towards the island. You might want to go around the island so that there's minimal head wind and also so that if there is head wind, it will face you in the beginning of the route. Please try to swim when it's calm. Try to stay as close to the shoreline all the time as you can, go around the island and come back close to the mainland at the point you have already passed. Swim from that point towards the pier, following the shoreline. There might be bigger waves on the other side of the island.

The Osprey Route, 1000 m

You can shorten the trip by turning back earlier or by walking back. There is a path by the shoreline for that. Please note that the path does not go all the way to Paskoniemi. Take a left from the pier, following the shoreline. About a 500 m away you will see a small, rocky spit just by the beach. From this point forward is the Paskoniemi. The Paskoniemi beach is spectacular and majestically rocky all the way to the tip of the cape. When it's windy, it is challenging to get ashore Paskoniemi. That's why the route will turn back at the spit.

SOUTHERN KONNEVESI NATIONAL PARK (luontoon.fi):

urly.fi/15fx

HIKING MAP BY METSÄHALLITUS:



urly.fi/15fy

STORY MAP BY RAUTALAMPI MUSEUM:



urly.fi/XRK

Please remember that during a forest fire warning, making fire is strictly prohibited.

You can use a camping stove provided that you observe special caution.







