

# Kelvenne Trail

Medium 9.7 km  
39 m 2-4 h



Great sandy beaches in sheltered bays | Kettle hole pond | Päijänne National Park

The Kelvenne Trail passes through the Päijänne National Park, taking walkers from beautiful sandy beaches to peaceful forests and tops of high eskers. It's an easy-to-follow path with lovely views. Kelvenne is an esker island formed during the Ice Age, and effects of the Ice Age can also be seen in the eskers, kettle holes and sheltered bays.

## Description

The start and end points of the Kelvenne trail are in the south of the island (Kirkkosalmi) and in the north (Likolahti), and the trail can be walked in either direction. The trail passes through the entire island, winding along beaches as well as high eskers. Between Koukunlahti and Supanlahti, the trail splits into two: one that goes up on the esker and one that follows the western shore. These two branches come together again after about 500 metres. There are several nice resting places along the trail, in sheltered bays and on fine sandy beaches. In the middle of the island, there is a kettle hole that has formed a small lake. The trail also passes pine swamps oozing the charming scent of Labrador marsh tea. The Kelvenne island consists of beautiful esker and lake landscapes. Most of the forest is dry peaty forest with sections of broad-leaved forest near the lake.

## Good to know

There are three wild camping sites on the Kelvenne island: Hinttolanhiekka, Nimetön and Isohieta. Kelvenne is also a great destination for a canoe or a boat trip. There are many nice, sandy beaches, for example, in Kirkkosalmi, Hinttolanhiekka, Kyyränlahti, Isohieta, and on the eastern shore of the island, at the northern end of the trail. There are eight campfire sites along the trail, and all of these sites have toilets. In addition, there is a large, sheltered cooking facility in Kirkkosalmi. Things to remember to take with you: toilet paper and, if you are planning to have a fire, a knife and matches. The nearest tourist services are in Padasjoki.

## Difficulty

Due to the elevation and rocky path sections, the Kelvenne Trail is rated Medium. The trail can be walked in running shoes, although in some rocky places hiking boots can be a better alternative.

## Accessing the starting point

In the summertime, you can access the Kelvenne island on a lake cruise or alternatively by boat taxi, which can be booked from Kiuasniemi Marina and Kullasmarina in Padasjoki and from Lehmonkärki in Asikkala. Canoeing equipment can be rented, for example, from Padasjoen Latu ry. There are several excursion harbours for those arriving with their own boat.

### START AND END POINTS:

Kirkkosalmi, south Kelvenne N61 19.723 E25 27.122  
Likolahti, north Kelvenne N61 23.633 E25 26.661

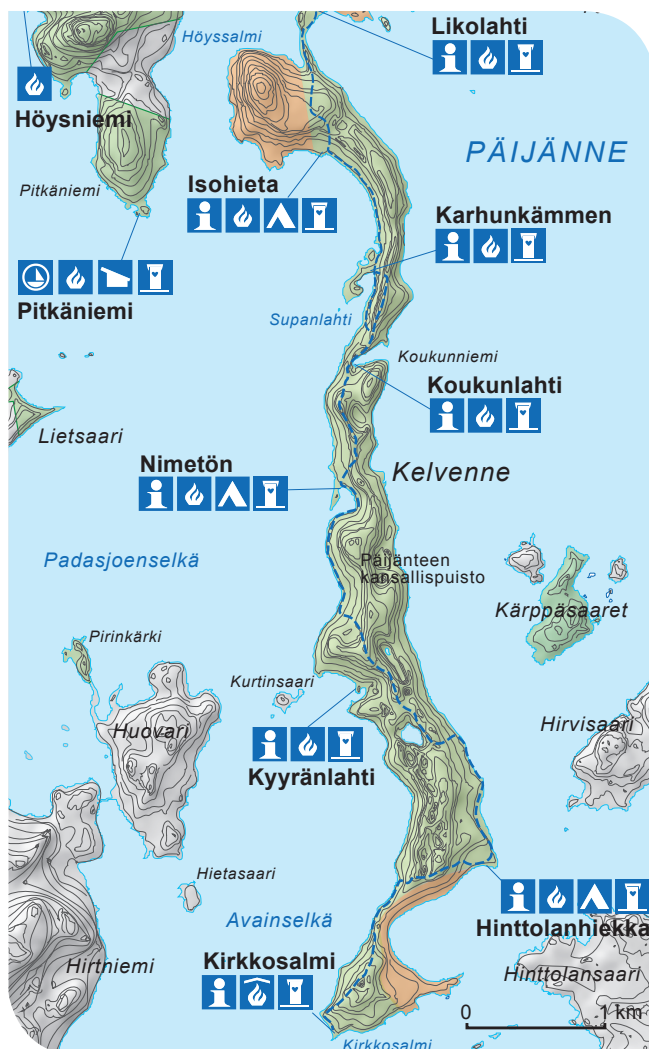
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