

# ESTONIA COASTAL ROUTE

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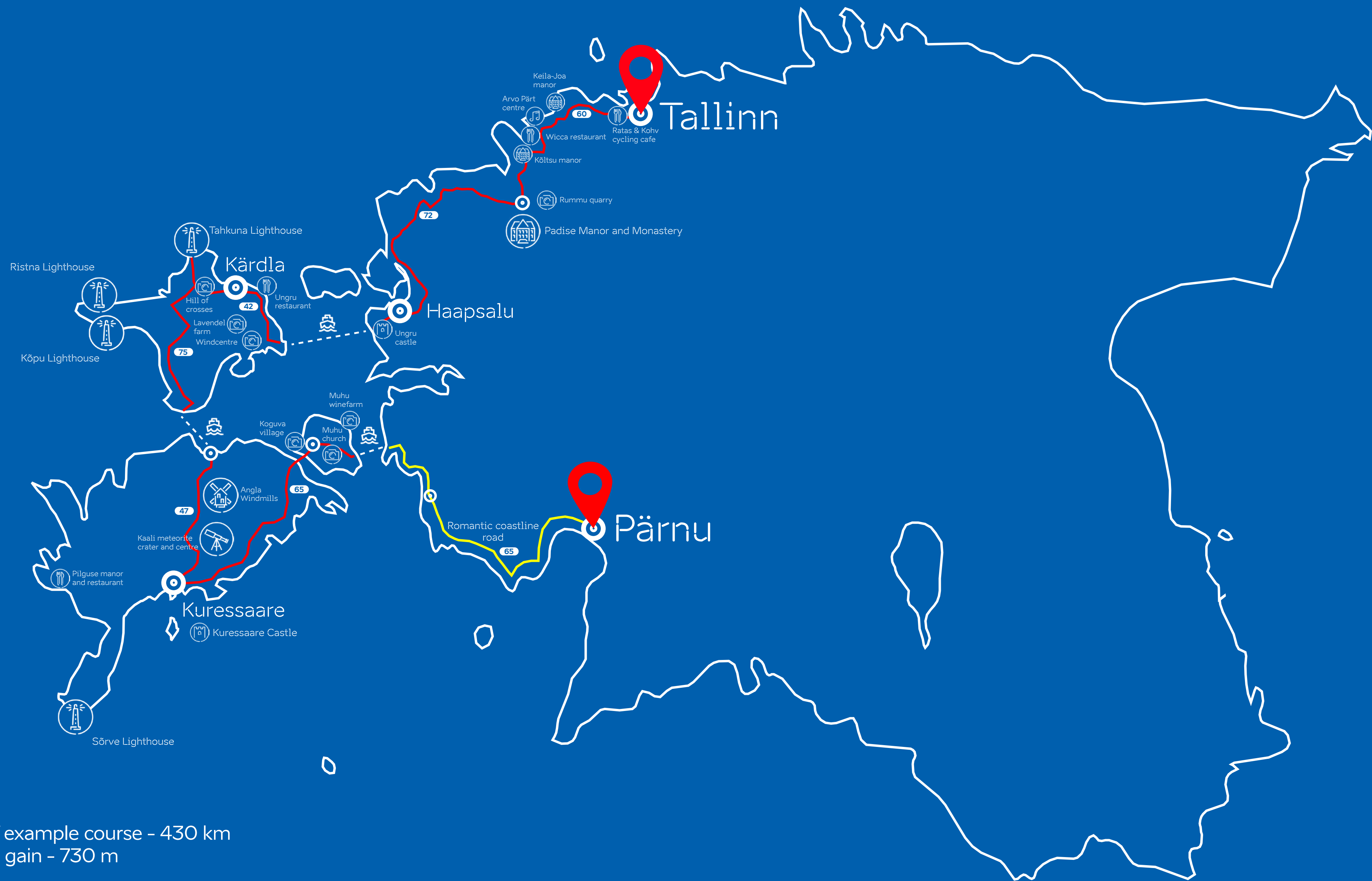


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Total length of example course - 430 km  
Total elevation gain - 730 m

## ARVO PÄRT CENTRE

The Arvo Pärt Centre is a serene cultural space dedicated to Estonia's world-renowned composer Arvo Pärt. Nestled in a quiet pine forest near the sea, the modern building blends beautifully with nature. Visitors can explore exhibitions, manuscripts, and a rich archive of the composer's work. It's an inspiring destination for music lovers and anyone seeking a peaceful atmosphere.



## KEILA-JOA MANOR

Keila-Joa Manor is a striking neo-Gothic estate located beside the scenic Keila waterfall. Built in the 19th century, it has hosted notable historical figures and offers a glimpse into aristocratic life. The surrounding park, river views, and restored interiors make it a popular spot for both history and nature enthusiasts. It's especially beautiful during autumn and winter.



## KÕLTSU MANOR

Kõltsu Manor is an elegant seaside manor known for its picturesque setting on the Estonian coast. Surrounded by pine forests and close to sandy beaches, it offers a peaceful retreat atmosphere. The restored building is often used for cultural events and weddings, giving it a lively yet refined charm. Visitors are drawn to its blend of history, architecture, and coastal beauty.



## RUMMU QUARRY

Rummu Quarry is a striking turquoise lagoon formed in a former limestone quarry, now one of Estonia's most unique outdoor destinations. Partially submerged buildings and prison ruins beneath the clear water create a surreal landscape popular with swimmers, divers, and photographers. In summer, visitors can relax on sandy shores or try paddleboarding and hiking nearby. It's a fascinating mix of industrial history and natural beauty.



## PADISE MONASTERY

Padise Monastery is a well-preserved medieval Cistercian monastery dating back to the 14th century. Surrounded by forests and a peaceful river, it offers a glimpse into monastic life and Gothic architecture. Visitors can explore its massive stone halls, towers, and atmospheric ruins. The site combines history, tranquility, and scenic surroundings, making it a memorable cultural stop.





HAAPSALU CASTLE

  
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## HAAPSALU KUURSAAL

Haapsalu Kuursaal is a historic seaside pavilion known as one of the most beautiful wooden buildings in Estonia. Located right on the promenade, it offers lovely views of the bay and a relaxing coastal atmosphere. Visitors can enjoy a café or restaurant inside while soaking in the charm of this 19th-century resort town. It's especially lively in summer with concerts and events.



## UNGRU CASTLE

Ungru Castle is a striking neo-Baroque ruin just outside Haapsalu, surrounded by open fields and coastal landscapes. Although never fully completed, the building impresses visitors with its grand architecture and romantic, slightly mysterious feel. It's a popular spot for photography and exploring Estonia's lesser-known historical sites. The nearby sea views and quiet surroundings add to its unique atmosphere.





ROHUKÜLA - HELTERMAA (Hiiumaa), trip length 1:15h and ferrys depart every 1:30h [TICKETS/INFO](#)

SÕRU (Hiiumaa) - TRIIGI (Saaremaa), trip length 1h, ferrys go up to 4x a day [TICKETS/INFO](#)

KUIVASTU (Muhumaa) - VIRTSU, trip length 27min, ferrys depart every 35min [TICKETS/INFO](#)

\* West Estonian Archipelago is part of the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme

## UNGRU RESTAURANT

Ungru Restaurant is a cozy seaside dining spot on Hiiumaa, set in a historic former customs house by Suursadam harbour. It is known for combining traditional island ingredients with modern cooking, creating simple yet memorable “soul food” experiences. The restaurant has earned recognition in international guides, including by the White Guide Baltic and the Falstaff Restaurant Guide Nordic, highlighting its high-quality cuisine and service.



## TAHKUNA LIGHTHOUSE

Standing tall on the northern tip of Hiiumaa, Tahkuna Lighthouse is one of Estonia’s most iconic coastal landmarks. Built in the 19th century, it offers sweeping views over the Baltic Sea and nearby forests. The area is also historically significant, with memorials commemorating maritime tragedies. It’s a peaceful spot for both history lovers and nature enthusiasts.



## RISTNA LIGHTHOUSE

Ristna Lighthouse stands on the rugged western tip of Hiiumaa, where powerful Baltic Sea waves meet rocky shores. Built in the late 19th century, its metal structure was manufactured in the workshop of the French engineer Eiffel, as a prelude to the famous Paris Tower completed fifteen years later. Visitors are drawn to its remote location, dramatic coastal scenery, and breathtaking sunsets. It's a perfect spot for those seeking wild nature and striking sea views.



## KÕPU LIGHTHOUSE

Kõpu Lighthouse is one of the oldest continuously operating lighthouses in the world, dating back to the 16th century. Located on a hill, it offers panoramic views over forests and the surrounding sea. Visitors can climb to the top for a memorable experience and learn about its long maritime history. It's one of Hiiumaa's most iconic landmarks and a must-see for history lovers.



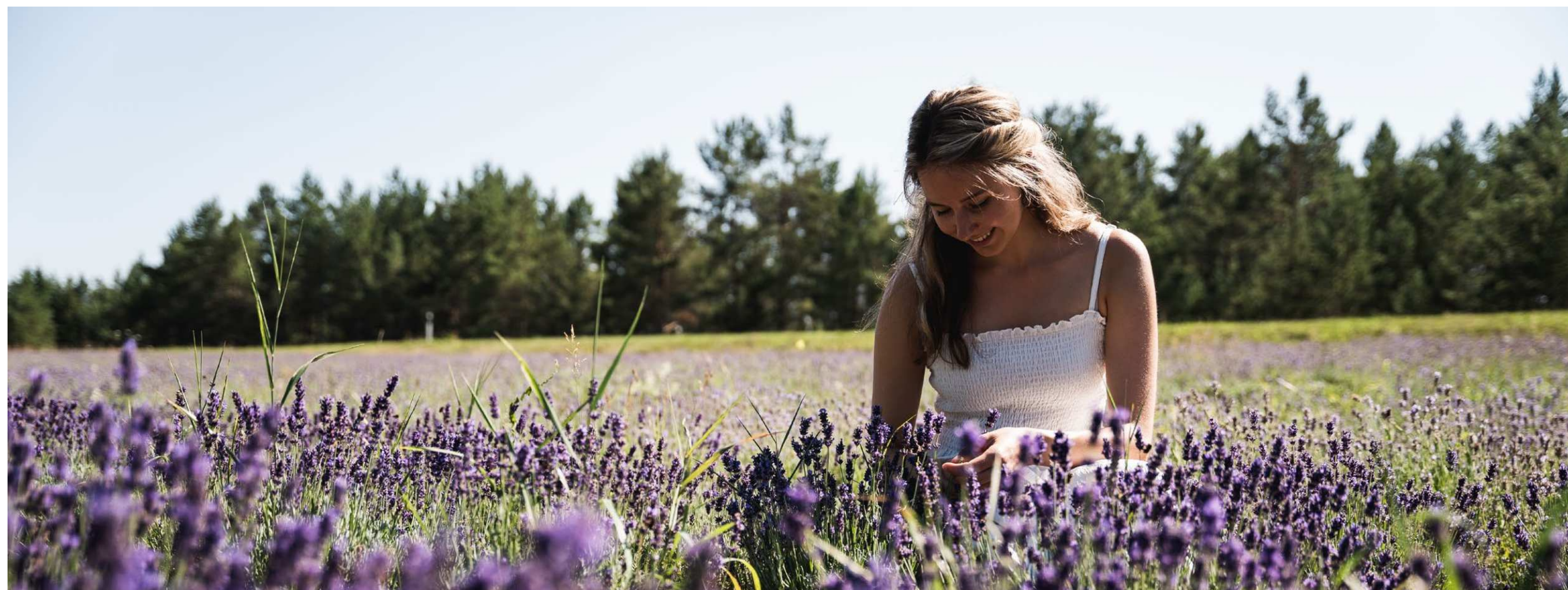
## HILL OF CROSSES

Ristimägi, or the Hill of Crosses, is a unique cultural landmark where travelers traditionally leave a cross for good luck before continuing their journey. The hill is covered with hundreds of crosses, creating a striking and symbolic landscape. This long-standing tradition reflects local beliefs and the island's history. It's a quiet, meaningful stop that invites visitors to take part in the custom.



## LAVENDEL FARM

Lavendel Farm is a beautiful countryside destination known for its fragrant purple fields in full bloom during summer. Visitors can stroll through the lavender rows, enjoy the calming atmosphere, and take stunning photos. The farm also offers locally made lavender products, from oils to handmade souvenirs. It's a peaceful and aromatic escape, perfect for a relaxing day trip.



## ANGLA WINDMILLS

Angla Windmills are the best-preserved group of traditional windmills in Estonia, located on Saaremaa island. These historic wooden mills showcase how locals once ground grain using wind power. The site also features a small heritage center where visitors can learn about rural life and craftsmanship. It's a picturesque stop that captures Estonia's cultural past.



## KAALI METEORITE CRATER AND KAALI VISITOR CENTRE

The Kaali Meteorite Crater is one of Europe's most remarkable natural wonders, formed by a meteor impact thousands of years ago. The main crater, now filled with water, is surrounded by smaller craters and forested landscapes. Nearby, the Kaali Visitor Centre provides interactive exhibits explaining the science and history of the impact. Together, they offer a fascinating mix of nature, geology, and myth.





KURESSAARE CASTLE

SÖRVE LIGHTHOUSE



# VÄIKE VÄIN CAUSEWAY



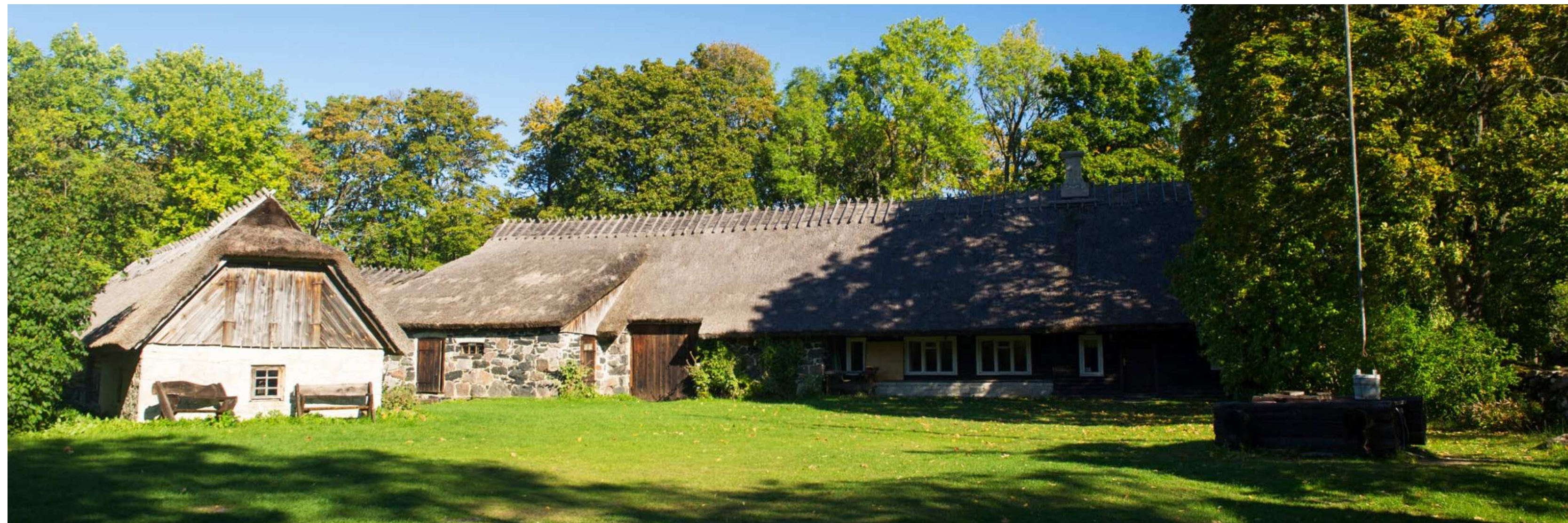
## MUHU CHURCH

Muhu Church, officially known as St. Catherine's Church, is one of the oldest and most distinctive churches in Estonia. Dating back to the 13th century, it features thick stone walls and fascinating pagan symbols carved into its architecture. Inside, visitors can admire unique wooden sculptures and a historic atmosphere. It's a peaceful and culturally rich stop that reflects the island's deep history.



## KOGUVA VILLAGE / MUHU MUSEUM

Koguva Village is one of the best-preserved traditional villages in Estonia, offering a glimpse into rural island life from centuries past. Its thatched-roof farmhouses, stone fences, and narrow paths create a charming, timeless setting. Visitors can explore the open-air museum and learn about local traditions and culture. It's a perfect place for a quiet walk and an authentic Estonian countryside experience.





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