

#42. ALLAS SEA POOL

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Helsinki, Finland
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Partnership

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WHY IS THIS A GOOD EXAMPLE?

Allas Sea Pool is a project where the city and the seaside are taken over for the use of every citizen. Allas Sea Pool creates an active space within a formerly fenced off concrete area, while the previous parking lot was replaced by plants and a beach area. Even though the Sea Pool is not free to use, we acknowledge that it requires financial means to keep this kind of facility operating and with the wide range of discounts, it should be accessible to the local population. In addition to the pool, there is a Baltic Sea Center and a rooftop garden that are free to use for the general public. This is a good example of mixing different concepts.



Photo credit: <https://www.allasseapool.com/front-page.html>

DESCRIPTION

Allas Sea Pool proudly stands in one of the best central locations in Helsinki. A giant floating lounge and exercise terrace with swimming pools can be found on the side of the dock. This sea pool boasts several saunas, two big outdoor swimming pools and a restaurant. It is a one of a kind oasis in the middle of the sprawling city. Allas Sea Pool introduces the Baltic Sea spa culture of olden times when people would gather to discuss, to relax, and to live the good life by the water. With the heated outdoor pools, it is used all year long and has also emerged as one of the top tourist attractions in Helsinki.

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