



Kilpelänkangas

- Areal 0,72 km²
- Established 1970
- Location Kainuu, Kuhmo



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Kilpelänkangas and the forests around river Kuusijoki are known as the battle fields of the Winter War. Even though nature has almost completely repaired the traces of war, there can still be seen ruins of trenches and trees split by artillery fire.

Near the parking place stands a Memorial to the victims of the battles at Kilpelänkangas.

The 3,5 km long footpath, marked with blue paintings, is easy to walk. It circles the heaths of Kilpelänkangas and leads to river Kuusijoki and Petrankoski rapids. After the war the forests were largely cut and river Kuusijoki was used for log floating. By the river there are constructions telling about life and work in those days. Now the lean-to shelters and campfire sites serve all visitors.



In Kilpelänkangas, the following are allowed

- walking, skiing, canoeing
- picking berries and edible mushrooms
- camping at the campfire sites
- fishing and hunting according to the legislation

forbidden

- lighting campfires if a forest fire warning is in effect
- littering and damaging constructions
- disturbing and harming the environment and animals
- digging soil and taking any war items
- driving motor vehicles on land areas outside marked roads and routes

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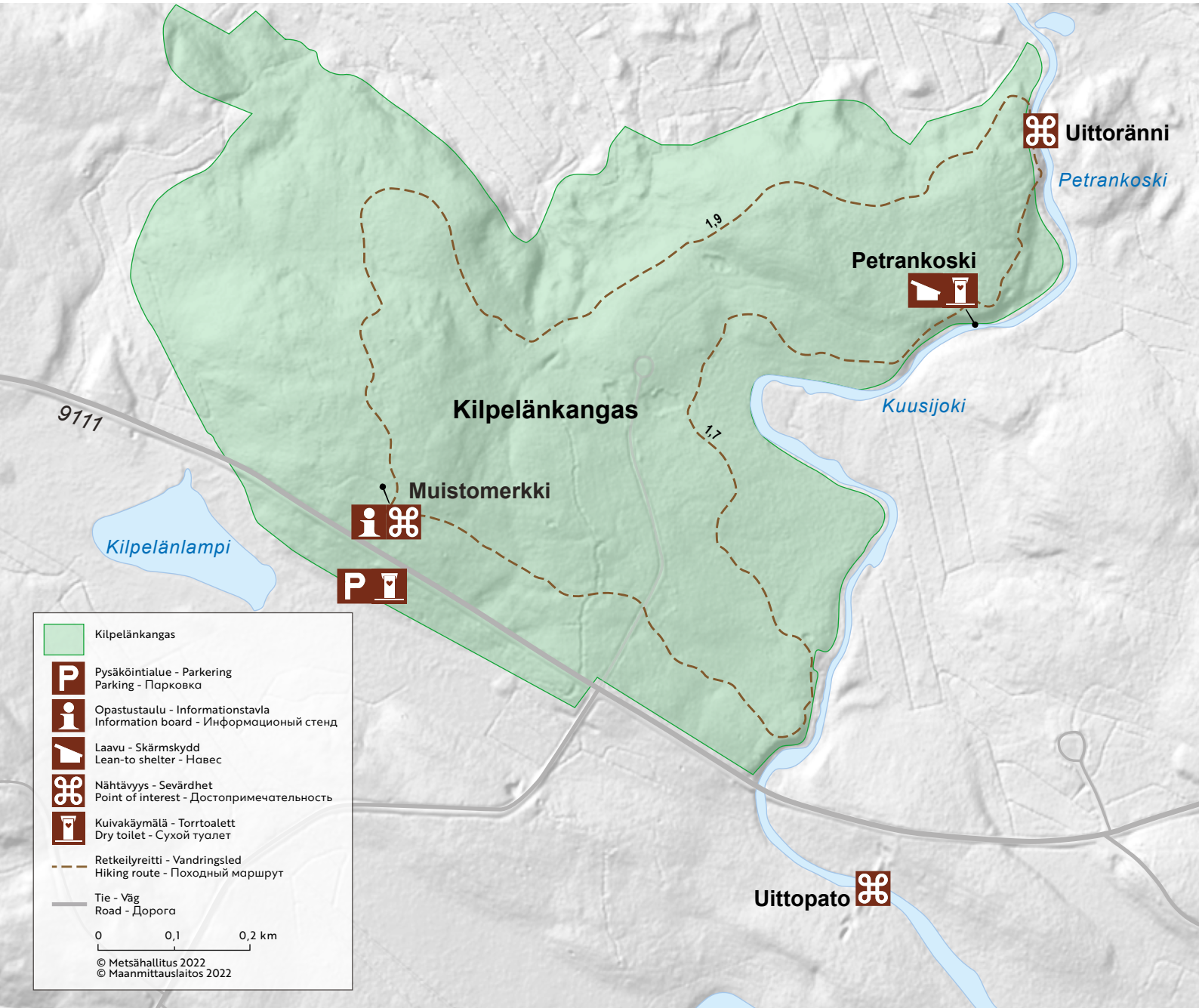
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How to get to Kilpelänkangas

From Kuhmo take the road Nurmestie (no. 75) to the south and drive 20 km. Turn to the left to road Lieksantie (no. 524). Drive 4,5 km and turn to road Saunajärventie (no. 9111). Drive 26 km. Kilpelänkangas parking area is next to the road. For navigator use the address Saunajärventie 2566, Kuhmo.

Respect nature!

Leave no traces of your visit behind. Burn burnable waste, if possible, and put bio waste into a composting toilet. Take all other litter out of the area.

Remember Outdoor Etiquette!

