Kalasatama
Kalasatama is becoming the eastern heart of Helsinki’s city center bringing with it a whole new look. Earlier, this area housed a cargo port and small-scale industry, but today it offers homes and jobs to thousands of people. Redi Shopping Centre offers good commercial services. The excellent location, lively urban culture and a seaside promenade are attracting new residents. This former industrial area is undergoing a major transformation, emerging as one of the most modern city districts in Finland.

Smart Kalasatama – Smart solutions
Kalasatama is a platform for smart urban construction that tests new kinds of smart city solutions. Residents, companies and city experts are developing new services together.

Kalasatama has an innovative pipeline-based automated waste collection system that applies advanced technology to waste management. Waste travels to the collection point through an underground pipeline in just a few seconds, becoming recyclable raw material, combustible energy waste or composted soil.

Kalasatama also features flexible spaces, such as community rooms in residential buildings, which different societies like hobby groups can use when the space is available. Reservations are made through an online service and the smart locks on the premises can be unlocked with a code or by smartphone.

Kalasatama is becoming the world’s most extensive integrated area that follows building services engineering standards. In day-to-day life, this is seen, for example, in the way residents can control electrical devices using smartphones or tablet devices.
1 Sörnäistenmetsi
Sörnäistenmetsi, a residential district offering housing to nearly 5,000 people on the south side of the Kalasatama metro station, is almost complete. The area has two day care centres and a comprehensive school. The other education facilities in the area include the Kalasatama High School, which serves as a student physical education venue during the day, and will be open to residents in the evenings. Sörnäistenmetsi also features a comprehensive park.

2 Kalasatama campus area
Kalasatama is also being developed as a student district. The campus area located in Kalasatama houses the University of Applied Sciences and student apartments. The campus will soon be complemented by the sports hall of the University of Applied Sciences, which serves as a student physical education venue during the day, and will be open to residents in the evenings. The Kalasatama–Arbasani campus area also incorporates a six-kilometre running and walking route.

3 Verkossaari
Apartment construction has started in the southern part of Verkossaari, situated just north of the metro station. The plan is for about 2,000 residents to be built in the area by the mid-2020s. Redi will become the centre of Verkossaari. In the early 2020s, floating apartments will be built along the seaside.

4 Redi
Redi will become the centre of Kalasatama as it gradually takes shape around the metro station by the mid-2020s. Redi is a complex consisting of eight 20-37-storey high-rise buildings located on the largest shopping centre in Finland’s eastern downtown area. The 2,000 residents will have easy access to the metro station and the shopping centre and its range of services. The metro station and the shopping centre were opened in autumn 2019, and the first residential tower, Majakka (Lighthouse), will be completed in 2023. When finished, it will be the tallest residential building in Finland.

5 Sompasaari
Homes for about 4,500 residents will be built in Sompasaari by the late 2020s. The Sompasaari project is located directly south of Redi and will be built as a recreational area in the central part of Sompasaari. The park will be open to the public, such as restaurants, shops, and various services.

6 Nihti
Nihti is located at the southernmost point of Kalasatama. The area has a diverse mix of stores and dining venues. The city centre and Korkeasaari Zoo. Residential construction in Nihti is scheduled for completion by the mid-2020s, with apartments for 1,500 people planned for the area. The park will be a park for residents.

A visit to the Zoo
From Kalasatama, it is easy to walk or cycle along就是Kalasatama outdoor exercise and recreation area and further to Korkeasaari Zoo. After the Crown Bridges tramway connection opens, Korkeasaari can also be accessed directly from Nihti, the southernmost point of Kalasatama.

In the future, a six-kilometre award-winning Marina will run along the shores of Kalasatama, offering a beauty view of Mustikkamaa’s swimming beaches and walking and jogging routes. Nihti has a temporary public sauna and a summer café, which will close before the housing construction starts.