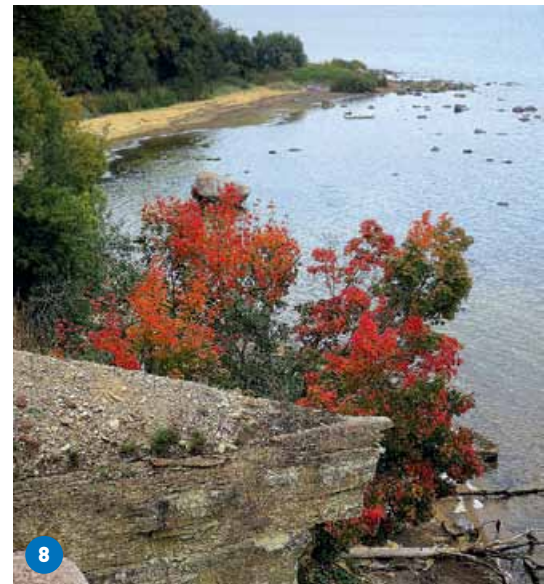


## Paldiski – Kersalu


### Cliffs, a Lighthouse and Military Heritage




The *Baltic Coastal Hiking Route* leads around the *Pakri Peninsula*, from whose rocky shores you will discover the most beautiful coastal landscapes in northwest Estonia. It goes through the centre of *Paldiski* and, after having reached the fortress bastions of Peter I, it turns towards the *Pakri Lighthouse* going across the upper part of the impressive *Pakri Cliffs*. Further on up to *Kersalu*, there are both ups in the shape of rocks and downs where the *Baltic Coastal Hiking Route* meanders along a sandy and rocky seacoast and a beautiful pine forest. *Pakri Cliffs* are alluring both in cold winters, when impressive icefalls are formed here, and during the time of colourful leaves in autumn.





## USEFUL INFORMATION

..... 16 km  5–7 h

 *Paldiski* railway station, **P**


 *Kersalu* village


 *Paldiski – Pakri Lighthouse – Kersalu*

 Asphalt, gravel roads, trails, forest and unpaved roads, sand, short sections of beach covered in stones and pebbles.

 Medium

 None.

 You must not approach the upper part and the base of *Pakri* and other cliffs because rockfalls occur regularly as a result of the waves washing away the cliffs. The cliffs consist of comparatively unconsolidated sedimentary rocks (limestone, dolomite, sandstone, etc.), the slabs or blocks of which often hang over empty spaces. You can encounter vipers at the seacoast.

 There are shops and catering services in *Paldiski* town, in the summer also next to the *Pakri Lighthouse*. Suitable

(closed, water resistant) footwear is necessary, walking poles are advisable for support.



There are stairs between *Paldiski* and the *Pakri Lighthouse* (~ 4,5 km from the railway station) that you can take to go down to the foot of the *Pakri Cliff*. Here you can take up a small (return) hike in search of better photographic views, but be careful! Vigorous walkers can combine this section with the next day's one and finish in *Laulasmaa*.





## WORTH SEEING!

- 1** **Uuga limestone coast (*Uuga paekallas*) and Uuga waterfall (*Uuga juga*).**  
The Uuga limestone coast is 5 km long and 20 meters high.  
GPS: 59.376583, 24.036028
- 2** **The Pakri Old Lighthouse (*Pakri vana tuletorn*).** The 15 meter high lighthouse was built on the orders of Peter I. A new lighthouse was later built because the precipice was collapsing.  
GPS: 59.387205, 24.036126
- 3** **Pakri Lighthouse (*Pakri tuletorn*).** The highest (52 m) lighthouse in Estonia offers breathtaking views.  
T: +372 555 76087;  
GPS: 59.387466, 24.037715
- 4** **Pakri Precipice (*Pakri pank*) and Pakri waterfall (*Pakri juga*).** The highest point of the Pakri coast in the Pakri Horn reaches up to 25 meters high, the 5.8 meter high Pakri Waterfall is located on the eastern part of the precipice.  
GPS: 59.389285, 24.038025
- 5** **Pakri Reserve.** The most important natural objects of the reserve are the Pakri Island and precipice forest situated on the east coast of the Pakri peninsula.  
GPS: 59.387902, 24.048929
- 6** **Leetse Beach.** A quiet and peaceful beach for camping.  
GPS: 59.372725, 24.120269
- 7** **The Leetse Secular Stone (*Leetse Saunakivi*).** A 3.5 meters high square stone. GPS: 59.368946, 24.134451
- 8** **Lahe Precipice (*Lahe pank*).**  
GPS: 59.361666, 24.154516
- 9** **Vanaaseme or Kersalu waterfall (*Kersalu juga*).** Especially beautiful during the spring flood period and in the winter when it is frozen.  
GPS: 59.348996, 24.178713

## SERVICES



### Accommodations

- 1. Seaside summer house,**  
T: +372 5021902; 59.353450, 24.160794



### Catering

- 1. Cafe Pakri Parun,** T: +372 55538880;  
GPS: 59.387207, 24.036331



### Public transport

Public transportation is not available. Bus line No. 145 Paldiski–Kersalu 8x a day.



### Rest areas

5 campfire places, Leetse camping place  
**RMK Leetse,**  
GPS: 59.372503, 24.120422

## TOURIST INFORMATION



[www.visitharju.ee](http://www.visitharju.ee)  
**Cafe "Pakri Parun",** 43 *Majaka tee*,  
[www.pakri.eu](http://www.pakri.eu), T: +372 55538880 ja



**Pakri Lighthouse,** 45 *Majaka tee*,  
[www.pakrituletorn.ee](http://www.pakrituletorn.ee), T: +372 55576087;  
GPS: 59.387527, 24.037712

