

NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa



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NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa where history meets modern elegance

NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa, inaugurated in May 2024, seamlessly blends heritage charm with contemporary elegance. This exceptional hotel harmoniously combines two iconic structures: the New Student House and the Hotel Seurahuone. The New Student House, a masterpiece by architects Armas Lindgren and Wivi Lönn (1910), stands as a testament to their visionary design. Meanwhile, the meticulously preserved gem known as the Kaleva building (completed in 1914) showcases Lindgren's architectural prowess.

With 224 thoughtfully designed guest rooms and suites, the hotel offers a delightful fusion of Scandinavian aesthetics and modern comfort. Some fortunate guests can enjoy enchanting views of the historic Central Railway Station, adding to the hotel's allure. Situated on Mannerheimintie, Helsinki's main thoroughfare, NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa enjoys unrivalled centrality. Whether guests come for business or leisure, convenience is at their doorstep.

NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa follows in the footsteps of its predecessors, shaping Helsinki's central landscape. It stands ready to provide a setting for unforgettable moments, both now and in the future. Guests can still feel the touch of history, now fused with modern hospitality and superior amenities.



Location

Historic property in the heart of the Finnish capital







Situated in the heart of Helsinki, NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa enjoys an exceptional location on the main thoroughfare, Mannerheimintie. As the city's most central hotel, it stands opposite the iconic Central Railway Station, with trams conveniently located just 100 meters away and taxis dropping off right at the doorstep. The nearest parking garages, EuroPark City Forum, EuroPark Eliel, and AimoPark Stockmann, are conveniently situated across the road.

This hotel serves as the ideal base for both leisure and business travellers. Within easy walking distance, guests can explore Helsinki's top attractions, vibrant shopping districts, and a diverse culinary scene. Whether guests come for business meetings or cultural experiences, NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa puts everything within reach. Guest can step inside the storied walls and find 224 thoughtfully designed guest rooms and suites. Among them, the opulent 160-square-meter presidential suite stands out, offering unparalleled comfort and modern luxury. Just a three-minute walk from The Central Railway Station, the hotel provides easy access to trains connecting to Helsinki Airport.

Located on one of the city's busiest shopping streets, NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa is also a stone's throw away from cultural gems like the Amos Rex, Ateneum, and Kiasma art museums. And when it comes to dining, Helsinki offers the finest restaurants in the neighbourhood.

Design

Interior designs that skilfully blends old and new







NH Collection hotels are renowned not only for their high-quality accommodation and gastronomy, but also for their unique art and design. NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa's interior design is the work of architect Carola Rytsölä and skilfully combines old and new. The interior of the historic landmark building was designed to respect the architects' original plans and preserve the spirit of the building, seamlessly combining history with the needs of modern travellers.

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As visitors step into NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa, they encounter Johannes Haapasalo's captivating soapstone sculptures. These human figures symbolize four distinct character traits: melancholic, sanguine, phlegmatic, and choleric.

The building further boasts reliefs by artist Gunnar Finne and a fountain sculpted by Eemil Halonen. Advanced technologies and applications enhance guests' journeys within the hotel. The dome-shaped tower of the New Student House draws inspiration from Paris's Panthéon, evoking the symbolism of knowledge and faith.

Hotel Seurahuone, Helsinki's oldest continuously operating hotel, has a storied legacy. Established in 1833 near the Market Square, it relocated to its present location in 1913. The new building epitomized modernity, offering sumptuously decorated rooms with telephones, hot water, and built-in wardrobes. Central heating, electric lighting, elevators, and even a post office set it apart. The New Student House, too, has a rich history in the hospitality industry, hosting a colourful array of guests. The interior design draw inspiration from archival photographs, capturing moments when the buildings celebrated Finnish cultural and political luminaries. Crafted from high-quality materials, the ensemble seamlessly marries history with contemporary aesthetics.

Notably, the Socis bar opened in 1952 for Helsinki Olympics now serves as a meeting room, adorned with century-old Arabian pots returned to their original positions. The Eemil Halonen shower-fountain, relocated in front of Cabinet 35, adds a touch of nostalgia. Restored reliefs on the ceiling of the Socis Bar evoke their original pale beauty, and ingeniously electrified ceramic hanging flowerpots illuminate the space. Finally, the reception area in the newer annex features sculptural, organic forms - metal-clad desks contrasting against linear flooring.

Restaurant & bar

Discover the timeless charm of the Hansa Café Bar & Brasserie and the Kupoli bar







A key feature of the NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa is its versatile, 24/7 kitchen, which not only caters to hotel guests but also welcomes meeting attendees, event visitors, and locals seeking a cozy spot to unwind. Seurahuone, once a trailblazer in early 20th-century Finnish cuisine and a hub of cultural and social life, attracted prominent figures of the time. The Hansa Café Bar & Brasserie honors this legacy, preserving its historic ambiance while creating a setting for new stories to unfold. Whether for an early breakfast, a relaxed lunch, a refined dinner, or a late-night drink, the Hansa Café Bar & Brasserie offers memorable moments for both locals and travelers. As summer graces Helsinki, the terrace opens up, inviting guests to enjoy a seamless blend of tradition and contemporary flair.

The dome that once housed the power plant chimney providing electricity and heat to the New Student House is now home to the world-class Kupoli cocktail bar. Here, you can savor expertly crafted classical cocktails infused with Nordic natural ingredients. This serene space allows you to experience the changing Nordic seasons through taste, offering an escape from the hustle and bustle of everyday life in a calm and inviting atmosphere.

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Wellness

Outstanding hospitality includes a time of relaxation.







The gym spans 300 square meters and features cutting-edge equipment, offering guests a space to enjoy comprehensive workouts. NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa also provides serene treatment rooms where skilled therapists deliver massages and pampering experiences. Guests can further unwind in the Finnish sauna, steam room, and infrared sauna, perfect for relaxation and detoxification.

The 300-square-meter gym, equipped with state-of-the-art facilities, and the tranquil haven of <u>USVA Spa</u> invite hotel guests to nurture their complete well-being and embark on a personal wellness journey. Inspired by the rich traditions of Finnish well-being and the purity of nature, USVA offers indulgent and restorative treatment rituals designed to nurture your body, mind, and soul, complemented by the soothing effects of sauna and cold therapy. Immerse yourself in a journey that evolves with the rhythm of the seasons.

Events

An inspirational event venue







NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa offers over 700 square meters of event spaces with nine flexible meeting rooms, including an impressive Ballroom. The hotel seamlessly blends historical charm with contemporary service. A separate entrance and reception on Kaivokatu street ensure a grand welcome. Whether it's a corporate meeting, a celebration, or a car show presentation, NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa has covered its guests.

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About NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa

NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa is an upper upscale hotel that blends historic charm with contemporary hospitality. Ideally located in the heart of Helsinki, between the Central Railway Station and Ylioppilasaukio, the hotel offers 224 stylish rooms. A meeting point for both locals and travelers, the Hansa Café Bar & Brasserie serves guests from breakfast to nightcap. For the city's finest cocktails and breathtaking views, the Kupoli cocktail bar awaits atop the hotel's iconic dome. The hotel also features versatile event and meeting spaces, perfect for hosting memorable occasions. On the lower level, guests can enjoy the atmospheric Usva spa—an immersive wellness experience inspired by Finnish sauna traditions – and the spacious 300-square-metre Usva Wellness gym. NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa is part of the international Minor Hotels group. Read more: NH Collection Helsinki Grand Hansa

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