

Trollhättan bath and spa

An alternative vision for part of Malmö's industrial area, Trollhättan

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Trollhättan in Malmö is located on the east side of Varvsstaden; an industrial area that is going through major changes in the near future. The site today is not living to its potentials. Despite its condition a lot of people choose to walk by or have a break at the area due to its views and closeness to the water. According to Malmö municipality Varvsstaden is going to be developed in different stages under a 20 years time period or more. With its strategic location, the area has good potential to integrate the surrounding blocks and connect the city center with the west harbor.

Bathing has always been a popular activity through history and even view of water can have therapeutic effects on people. Green spaces in our hectic urban life are a desired quality for many of us and have clear benefits for our physical and mental health.

This thesis project challenges the current municipality plans for Trollhättan 4,6, 7 and suggests an alternative vision for the place. Instead of working with high-density offices, residential buildings and retail, the project aims to work with a program such as bath and a spa with a distinct public character.

Can a bath and spa integrate large scale and valuable public space? The ambition in this project has been to give life to the harbor and make it more available to the public.