



Hótel Grunnavík

For the adventurous traveller



Hótel Grunnavík - west facade

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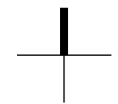
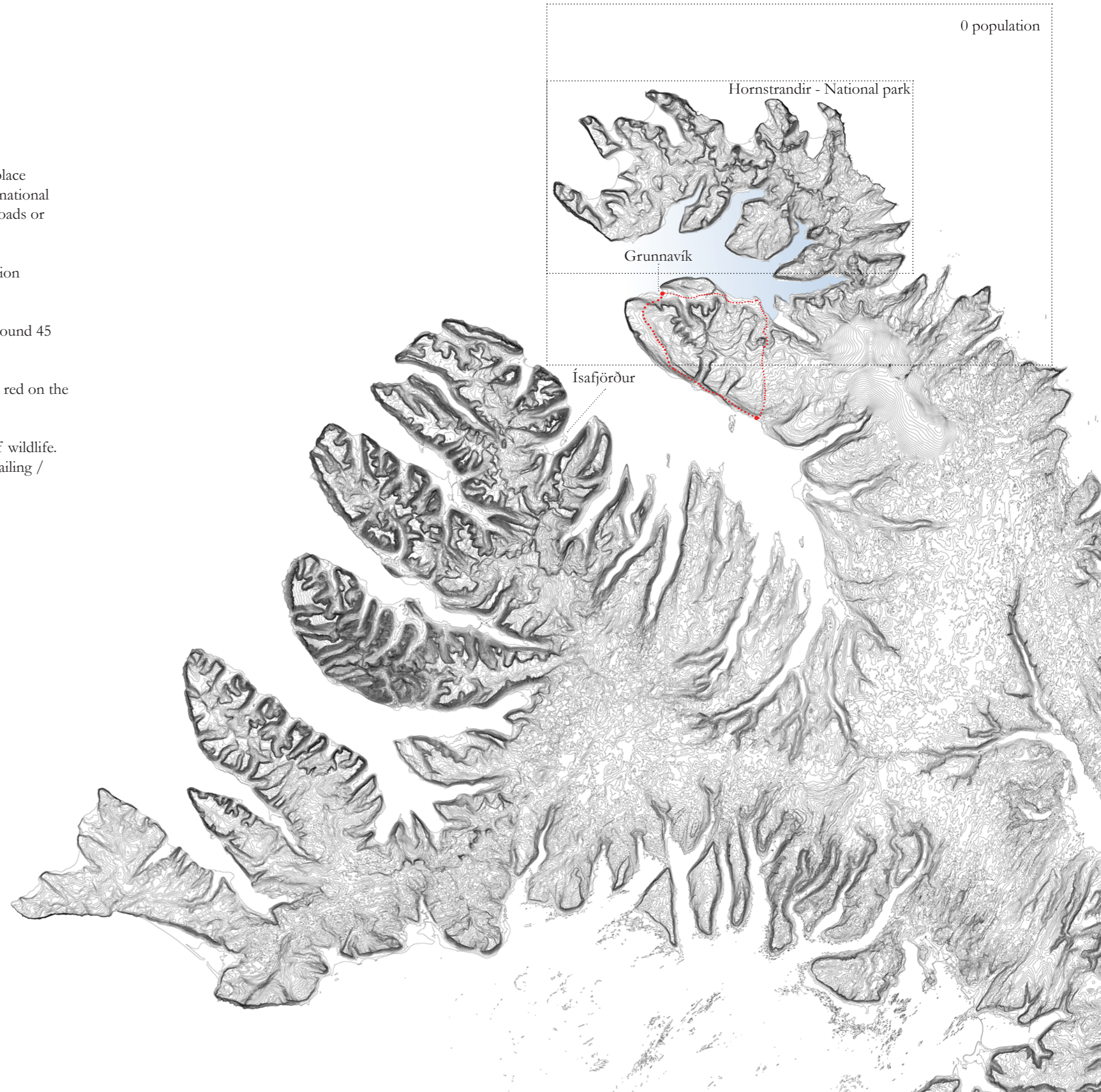
Hornstrandir peninsula and Jökulfirðir is an isolated place full of amazing nature and wildlife. Hornstrandir is a national park where no vehicles are allowed and there are no roads or electricity.

The nearest town to Grunnavík is Ísafjörður (population approx. 2500)

The most convenient way to Grunnavík is by boat (around 45 minutes) from Ísafjörður

A popular 3-4 day hiking trip to Grunnavík is marked red on the map

Jökulfirðir Glacier fjords, (blue) are remote and full of wildlife. During summer time these fjords are well suited for sailing / kayaking.



Grunnavík was permanently inhabited until 8. November 1962, but is today only occupied seasonally, as a summer retreat.

This new addition to Grunnavík is to serve the travelers who visit the place. The objective of this project in Grunnavík is to provide a place for travelers to dwell after a great day of discovering the surrounding nature and landscape.



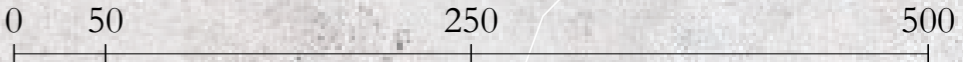
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Hótel Grunnavík
(Sætún)

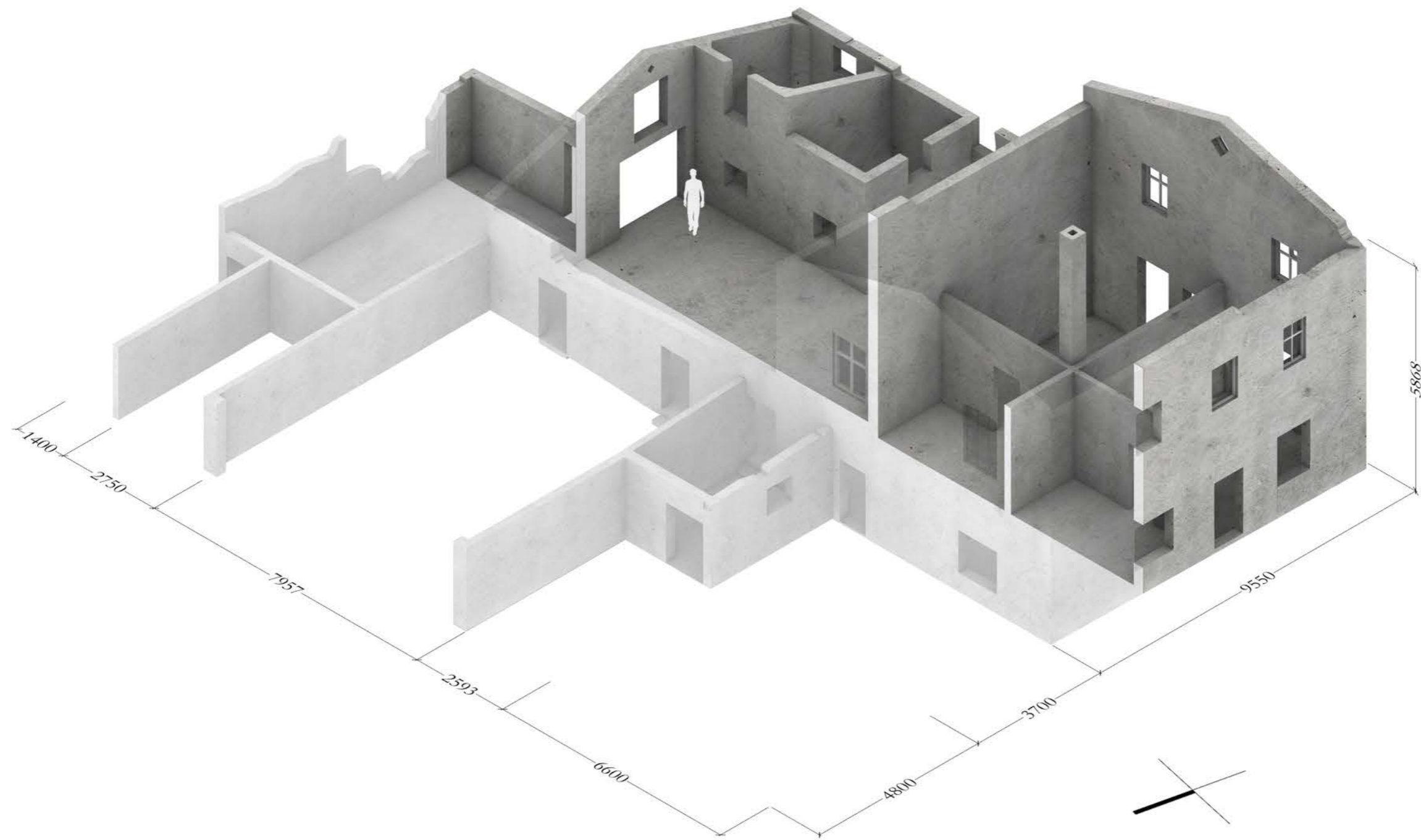
Villa Nes



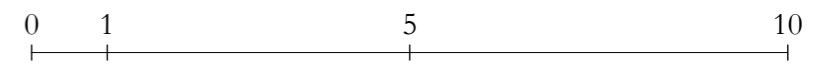
Grunnavík - siteplan







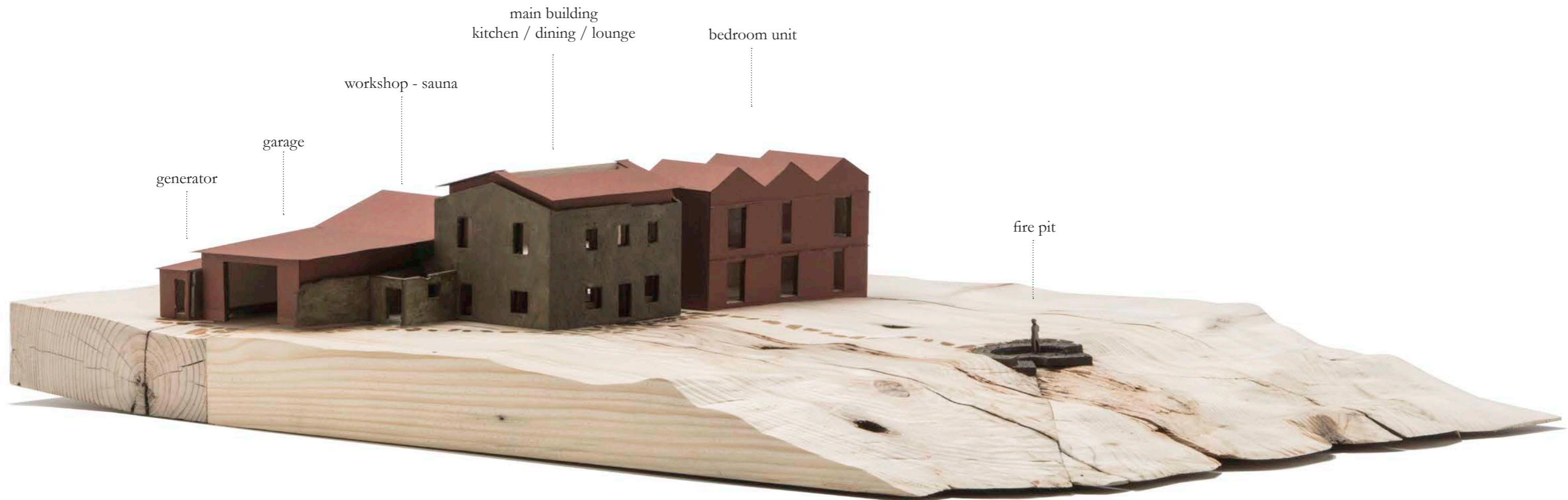
Sætún - isometric section - today's situation



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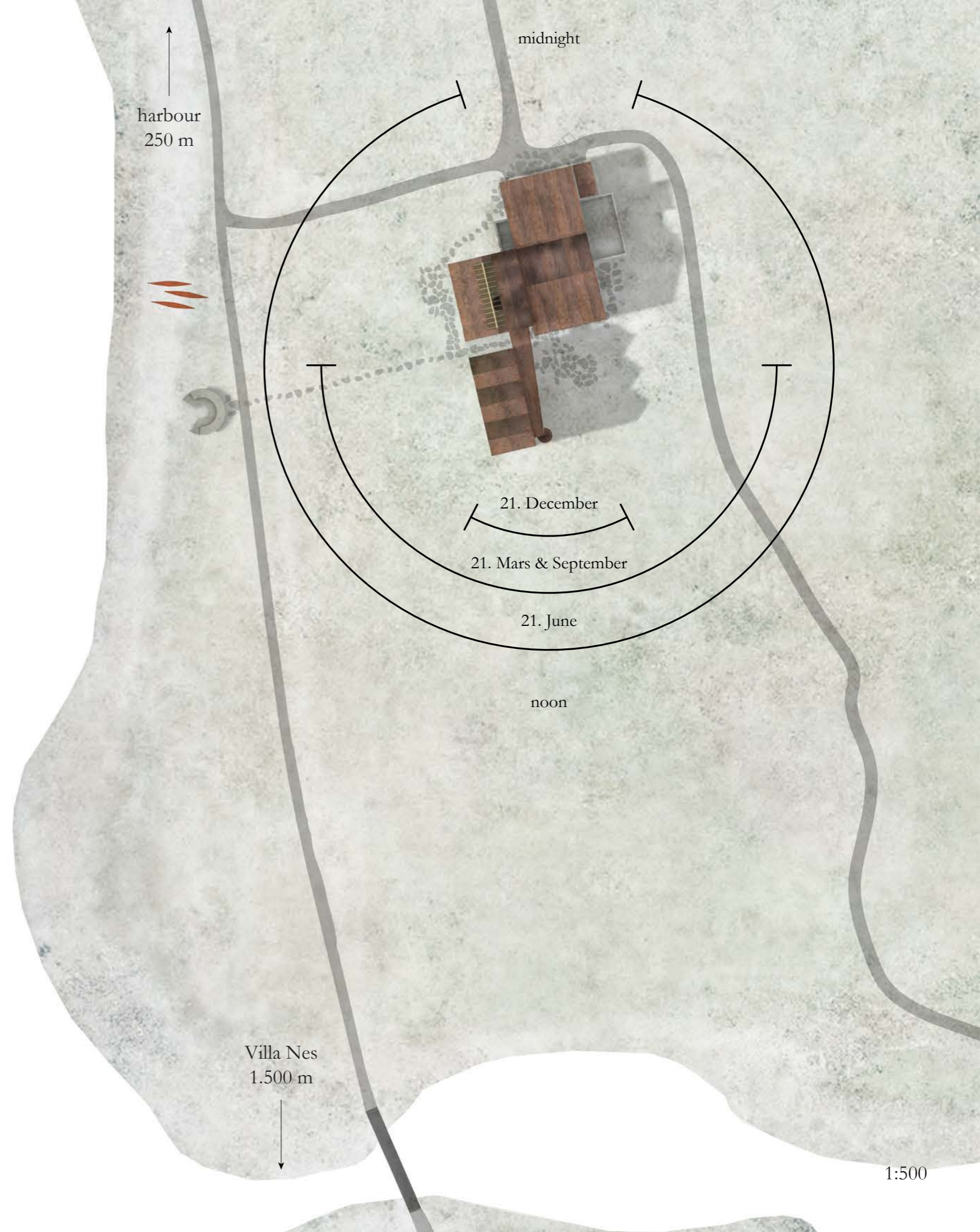
Hótel Grunnavík is a shelter for travelers who are in search of isolated places and beautiful nature. Areas around Grunnavík can be further discovered by hiking, kayaking, cycling or ski touring. This hub will serve as a peaceful place to dwell at and host the outdoor tourism in Grunnavík. Buildings are carefully placed and extended in and besides the ruins of two farms, Sætún and Nes.



The farm Sætún sits on a flat land right next to a black sand beach which is good for soft landings for the kayaks.

Placing the hotel / hostel there gives Sætún a new chapter as the story continues and people have a chance to bring back memories or create new ones.

The bedroom unit is placed in the same axis as the existing structure, creating a path between the two buildings leading to the firepit on the beach. The sun sets into the ocean in the west which makes the fireplace a great viewpoint to experience the sunset or midnight sun.



The bedroom unit is shaped with 3 pitched roofs honoring the Icelandic turf house tradition and earlier farms in Grunnavík. Roofs and walls are clad in Corten steel which is familiar material to the area. All the existing metals in Grunnavík are corroded. Using this durable material was a decision taken early in the process.

A local tradition in this area is to prepare the houses for winter. This was executed by installing shutters on each window or door opening as protection from harsh weathers during winter. These sliding steel shutters serve both as curtains and window protection, much needed due to the midnight sun.

The workshop and garage is where service for outdoor activities are provided, such as bike and boat hiring.

A trip to the sauna after a long day in the mountains or seas is as good as it gets.



ocean view

sunset - dinner outside



ocean view

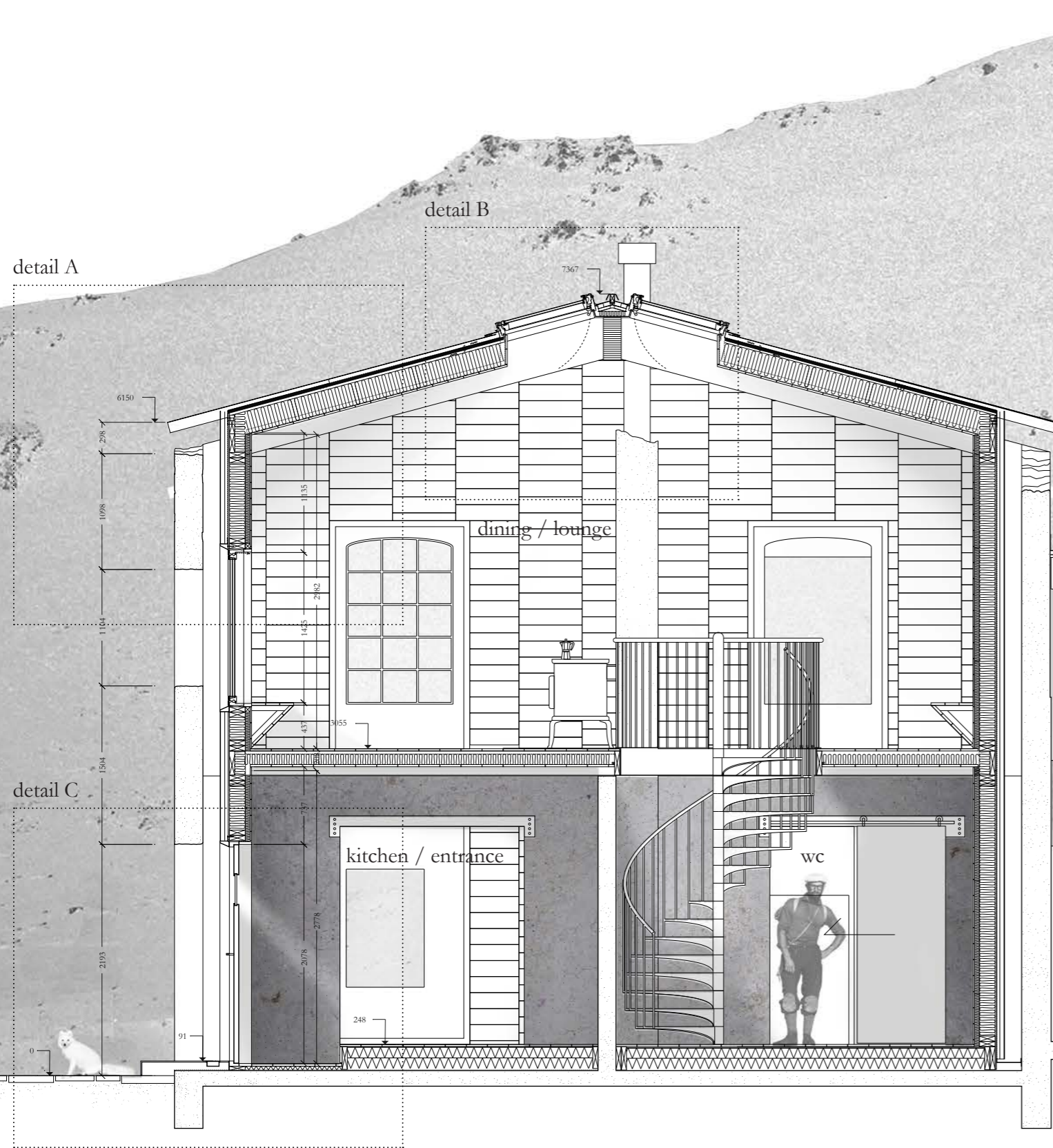


Both of the buildings are timberframe structures with purlin roof.

A bridge on the second floor connects the two buildings and gives the guests easier access to the lounge. A circular staircase is placed outdoors on the south east corner of the bedroom unit. That gives the persons staying in the rooms on the second floor a comfortable and quick access out of the building.

The dorm is on the ground floor where the sanitary core divides in 2 separate rooms.



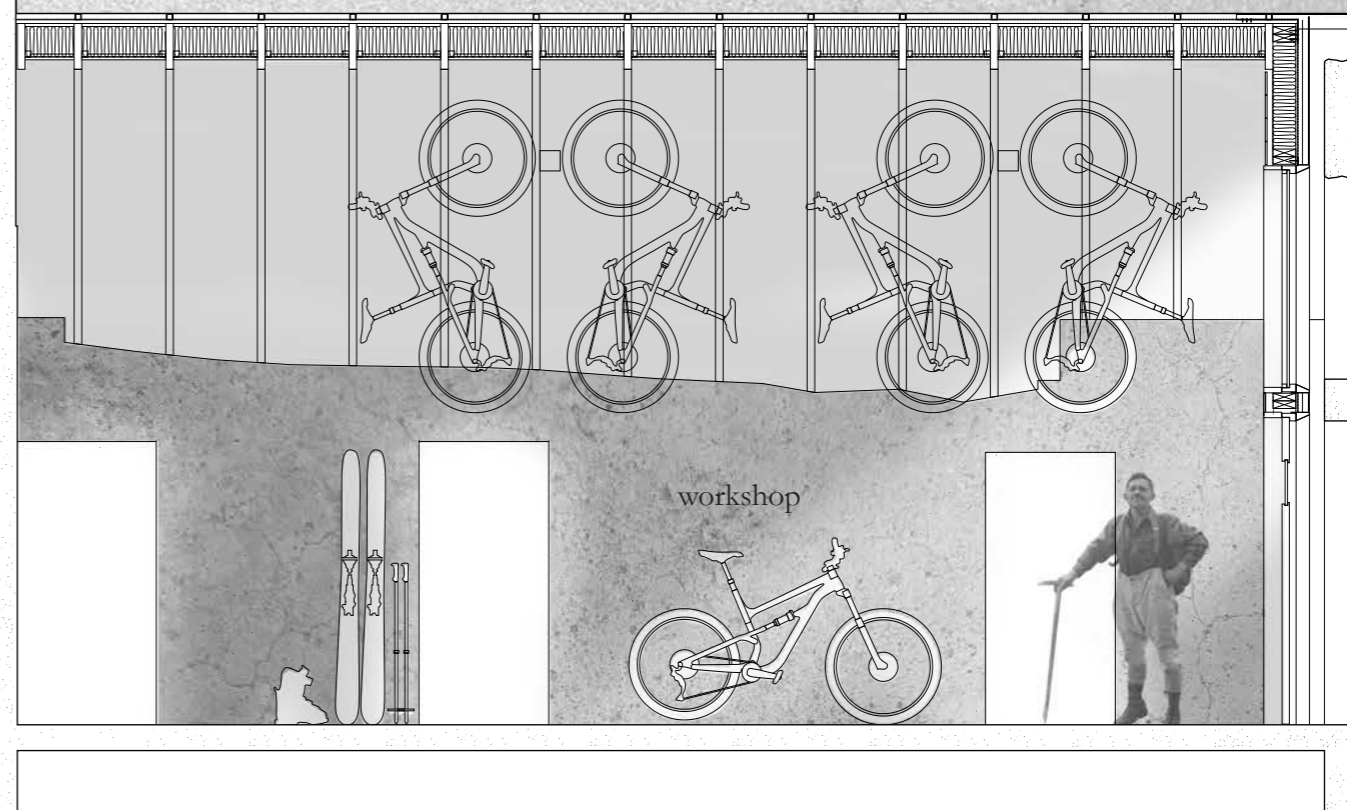


The new building is built inside the existing ruins of Sætún. A government owned property.

A light timber frame structure is carefully built on site. The structure is built on the ground and clad in corten steel, then raised vertically. Insulation and indoor cladding is done afterwards.

The existing concrete walls are kept untouched and the new structure carefully wraps itself around the “inner” concrete walls.

(Due to the isolation and few people in Grunnavík the arctic fox rules the area.)









The bedroom unit is a two storey timber frame structure. The building is connected to the concrete building with a Corten bridge / patio on the second floor. The door to the lounge on the second floor used to be a window (800x1100). The door shape is the same as the window opening on the other side. This window had this shape originally.

The ground floor sleeps 16 persons in two rooms with the sanitary core in the middle creating more privacy for different group sizes. The second floor has 3 separate rooms. A suite with windows facing two directions west and south. The two others have bunkbeds for 4-6 people each

All the rooms have big openings facing the ocean. The dorms on the ground floor have window openings facing both directions.



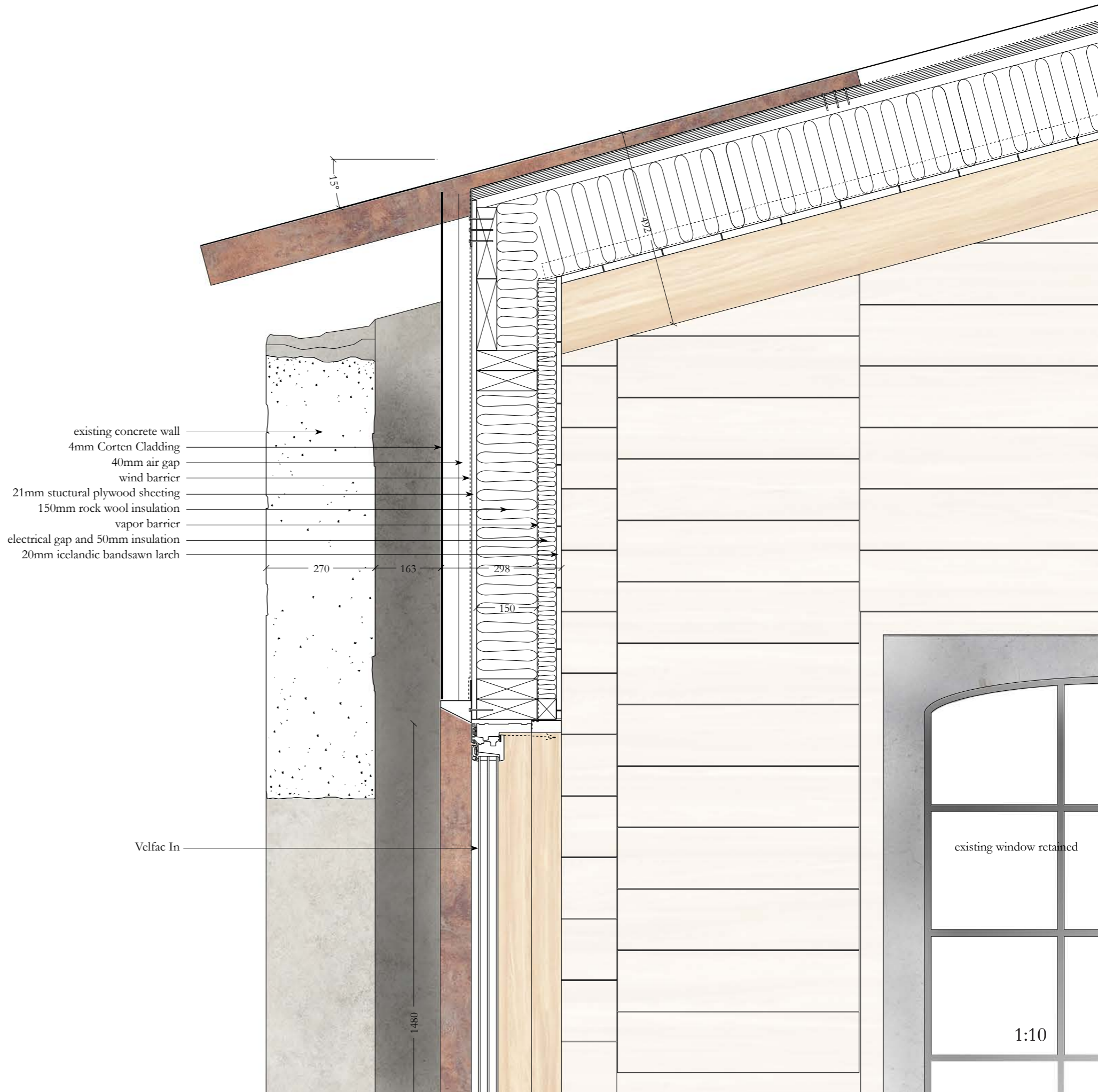
Hótel Grunnavík - bedroom unit interiors

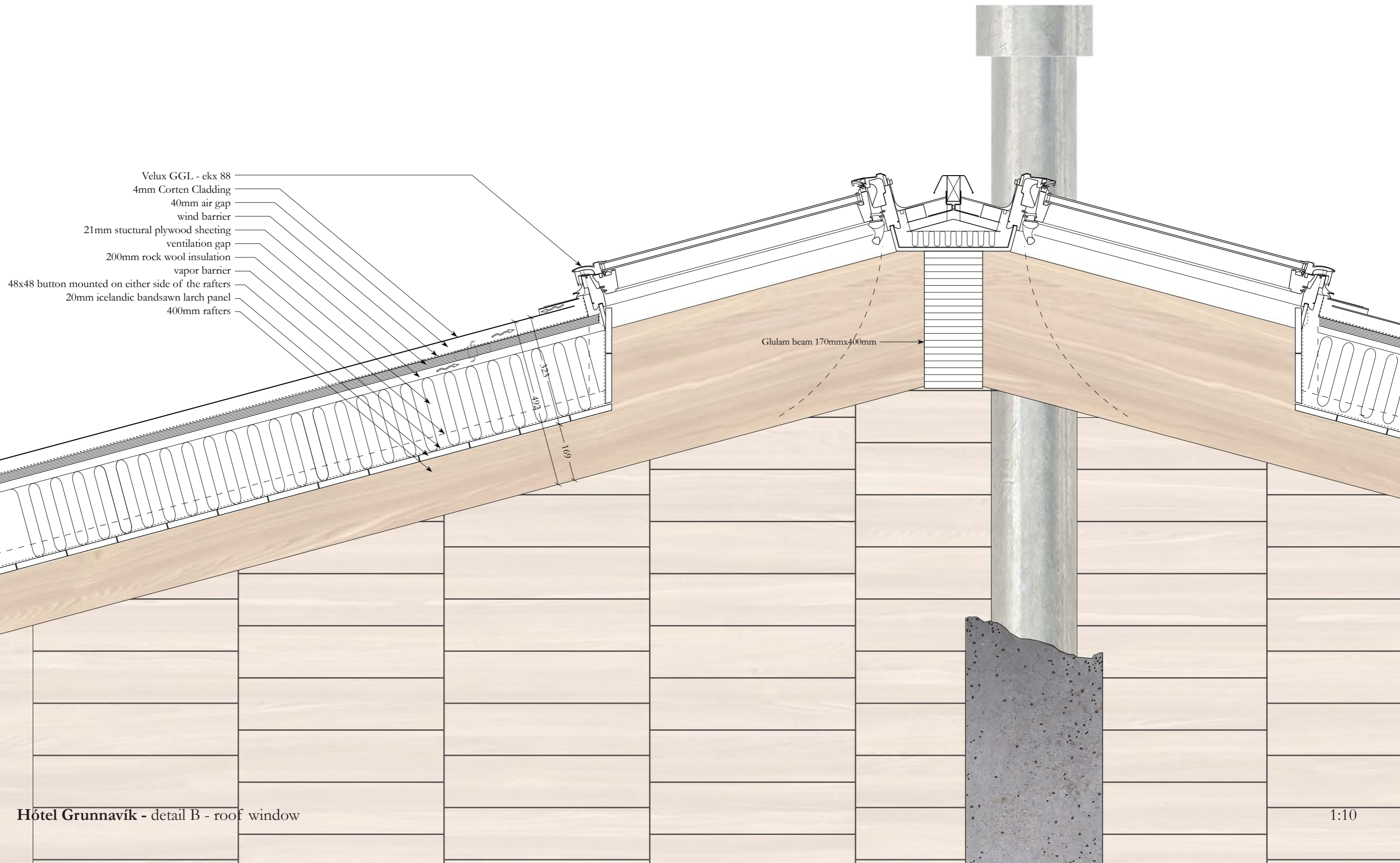


Corten steel cladding

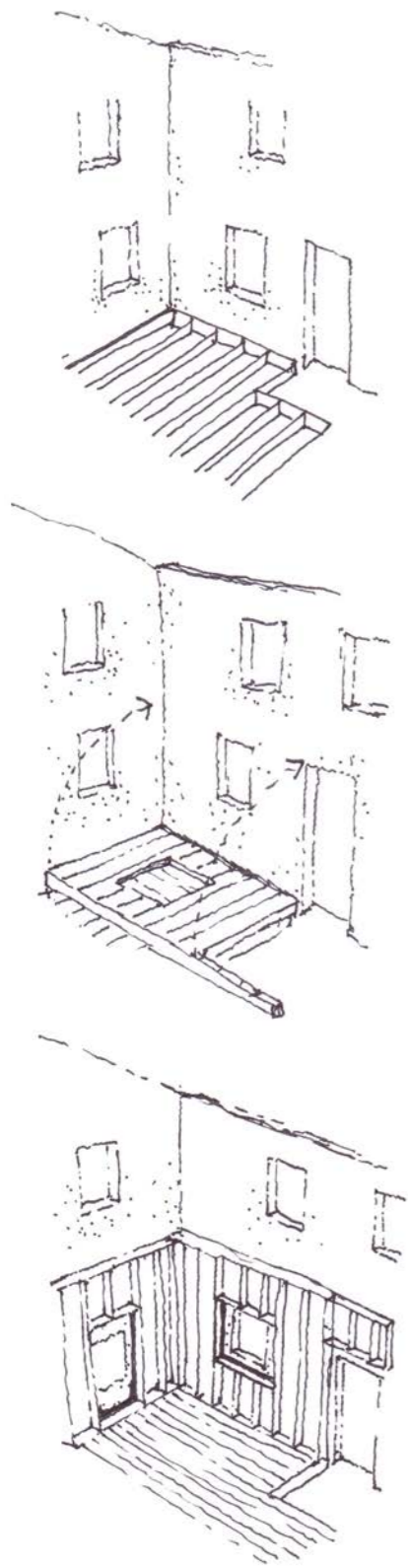


Bandsawn icelandic larch





Hótel Grunnavík - detail B - roof window



1. Suspended timber flooring:
waterproof membrane
- floor joists - drainage
channel - insulation -
floorboards.

2. timber frame is built
horizontally - structural
plywood sheathing is
mounted on. Wind barrier
is fastened and lastly the
Corten cladding is attached.
Then the wall unit is raised
vertically and fasten.

3. Each unit is built seperatly
for each floor/wall. After
the walls on first floor are
installed the 2. floor joists
are put up.

Corten steel door
Corten steel flashing
drainage channel
perforated corten steel step
local basalt stone slabs

existing concrete inner wall
larch floorboards
200mm eps styrofoam insulation
floor joist
larch floorboards
40mm vacuum VP insulation
waterproof membrane

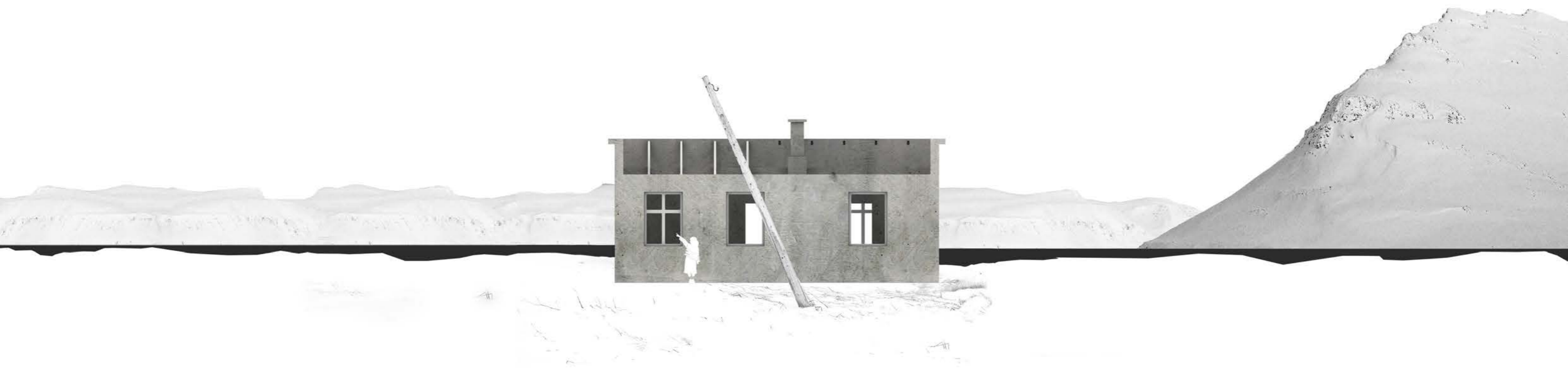
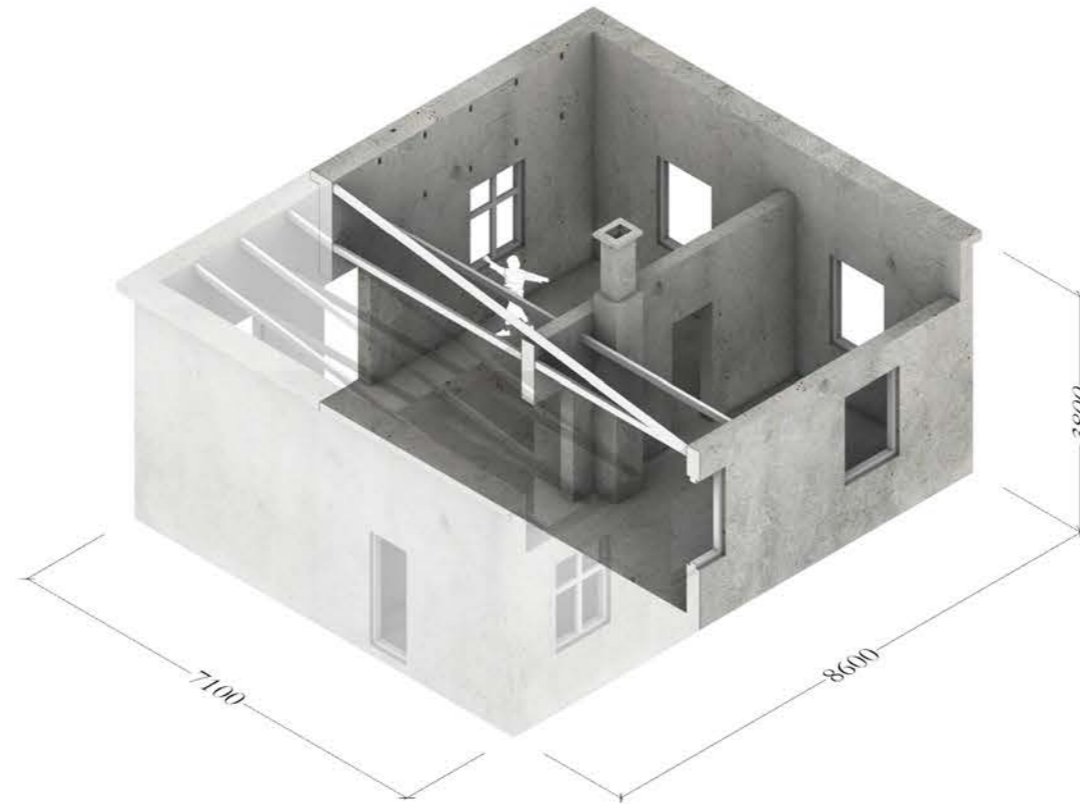
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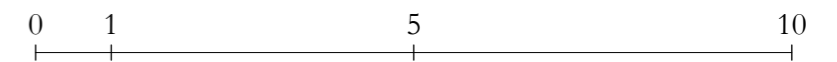
Villa Nes

A accommodation for 2-4 people who prefer more privacy

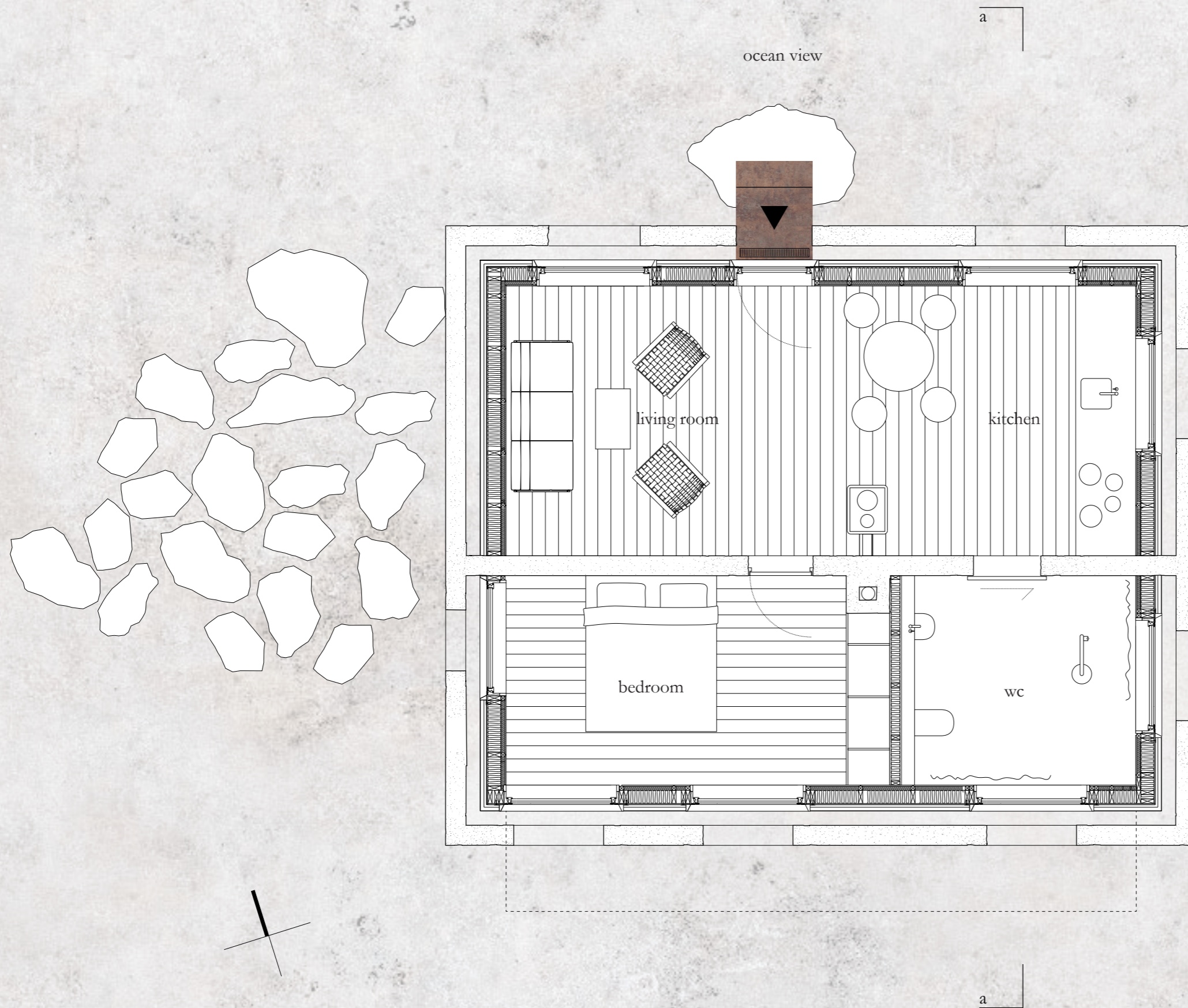
The Nes villa is part of the hotel/hostel complex, located 1,5 km away from Hótel Grunnavík. The villa is built on the ruins of Nes. A Corten clad timberframe structure with a corten roof tipping right above the existing roof shape. The tilted roof has the same shape and angle as the original roof. The timber structure is built the same way as the Hótel where the existing concrete inner wall divided the private spaces and the social space.



Nes - isometric section and south elevation - today's situation

















Thank you for looking through my project

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