

# Tel Aviv Port Public Space Regeneration

By Mayslits Kassif Architects



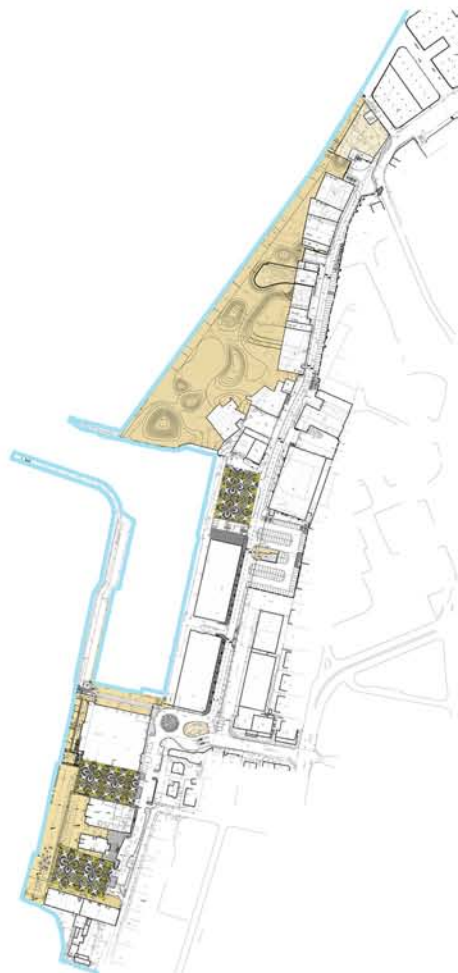
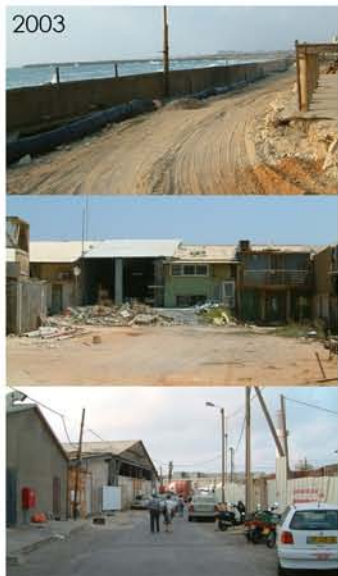
Situated on one of Israel's most breathtaking waterfronts, the Tel Aviv Port was plagued with neglect since 1965, when its primary use as an operational docking port was abandoned. The recently completed public space development project by Mayslits Kassif Architects managed to restore this unique part of the city, and turn it into a prominent, vivacious urban landmark.

The architects viewed the project as a unique opportunity to construct a public space which challenges the common contrast between private and public development, and suggests a new agenda of hospitality for collective open spaces.

The design introduces an extensive undulating, non-hierarchical surface, that acts both as a reflection of the mythological dunes on which the port was built, and as an open invitation to free interpretations and unstructured activities. Various public, political and social initiatives are now drawn to this unique urban platform, indicating the project's success in reinventing the port as a vibrant public sphere.

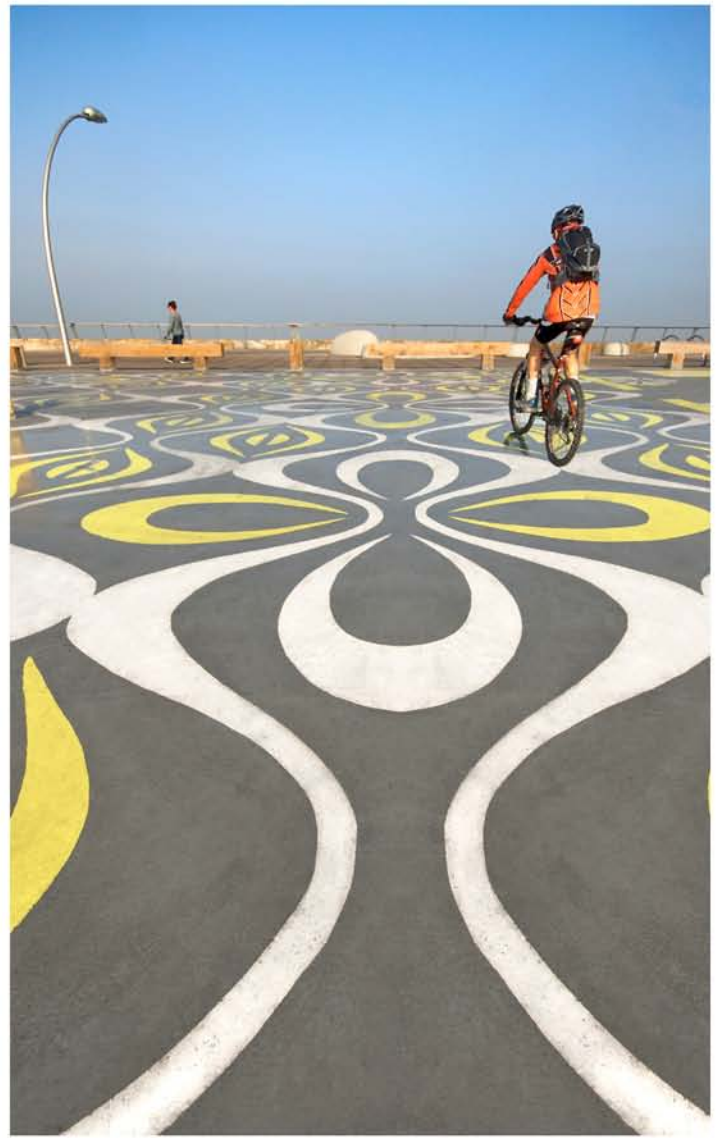
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<http://www.archdaily.com/83766/tel-aviv-port-public-space-regeneration-project-mayslits-kassif-architects/>





The undulating surface as a receptive and flexible environment, offering a variety of ways to experience space



The *Parking Park* as a multipurpose surface



The GRC elements designed for a variety of sitting positions



The port as a vibrant Public Sphere

## Tel Aviv Port / Public Space Regeneration

Location: Tel Aviv, Israel

Program: Design and Strategy for Tel Aviv Port's public spaces

Architects: Mayslits Kassif Architects

Client: Marine Trust Ltd

Status: Complete - 2008

Budget: 4,000,000 E

Site Area: 55,000 sqm

Design Team: Ganit Mayslits Kassif, Udi Kassif, Oren Ben Avraham, Michal Ilan and Maor Roytman

Photographers: Iwan Baan, Albi Serfaty, Galia Kronfeld, Oren Greenfeld and Limor Marx.

### Awards:

2003 - First Prize in a public competition, in collaboration with Galila Yavin.

2007 Israeli Design Award for the best Urban Architectural Project in Israel

2008 Rechter Award by the Israeli Ministry of Culture

2010- Winner of The Rosa Barba European Landscape Prize and the Audience Choice award in The 6th European Biennial of Landscape Architecture.

