Coal Square
On top of the terril, at sixty meter height, a ‘Coal Square’ was created that reflects both the past as the present character of the terril. The square is sunken and visualises the presence of the ‘black gold’. Its sunken position provides shelter from the strong winds at the top of the hill. In the middle of the square the horizon will not be visible anymore, directing full attention to the clouds above. The sloped edges of the Coal Square can be used for seating and contain historic information on the site and the surrounding mining landscape. Visitors can take a stroll on the raised talus and enjoy the panoramic views on the surrounding Limburg mining landscape.

Together, the pole forest, the prismatic play surface and the Coal Square create a unique addition to the Masterplan Adventure Mountain, drawn by Antea Group, and are a valuable contribution to the transition of Flanders’ largest industrial heritage towards a touristic, recreative project. On the 9th of September 2016 the Adventure Mountain was festively inaugurated.

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