

learn games, songs, dances and essential skills of some trades, as well as enjoy the culinary heritage of Latvia. The subjects change depending on seasonal festivals held during the given month. These events are organized regularly and everyone interested is welcome to participate.

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The workshop offers creative masterclasses (groups up to 50 people, pre-booking). Accompanied by our leather craftsmen, you will have a great opportunity to learn more about the art of leather goods production, by making your own personalized leather accessory. Opportunity to visit a leather accessory shop and purchase one of the manufactured products. With prior arrangement. 7 1905. Gada Street, Koknese, Aizkraukle Municipality

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At the Creative House you can 1A Melioratoru Street, Koknese,

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A farm offers active recreation that has to be booked in advance: enduro trails, horseback riding, motorcycle rental, camping places. 'Rosmes', Bebri parish, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 26246830 **♀** 56.747301516858826,

for various generations and fitness levels. The Mission Koknese is designed for a group of 6–30 people. If you would

like to embark on this exciting adventure, enter your team in advance. In order to participate,

you should have appropriate clothing for the weather

conditions and walking. Don't

'Pērsejas', Koknese, Aizkraukle

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or photo camera!

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Society 'Perses krasts',

forget to bring your smartphone



The Viking barge offers trips and stories of the captain (route: Koknese castle ruins-Liktendārzs-Pērse river-Koknese castle ruins). There are 19 places on the ship. With prior arrangement. +371 26161131

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Holiday stop 'Pērsejas' offers SUP equipment and rowing boat rental. Orienteering and active recreation routes on the river. Individually prepared offers. Picnic place and 'Fire soup' in a picturesque place on the bank of the Perse River. Prior booking necessary.

Holiday stop 'Pērsejas', 'Pērsejas', 21 Daugavas Street, Koknese, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 29119882

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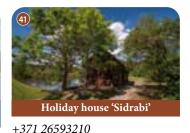
SUP boards, boats and water bikes for rent at Koknese castle ruins boat pier. +371 26434520

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Farm 'Kalnavoti': rowboats for rent, a bathhouse and accommodation available. 'Kalnavoti', Koknese parish, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 29357420

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'Sidrabi', Koknese parish,

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+371 26380142 'Svampēni', Koknese parish, Aizkraukle Municipality www.zutinapirts.lv **♀** 56.599306, 25.317138



+371 25227262 103.5 km of Riga -Daugavpils highway, Koknese parish, Aizkraukle Municipality

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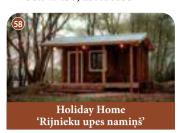


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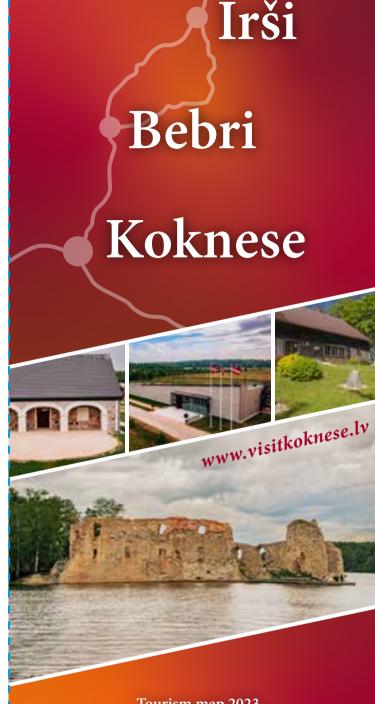
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Tourism map 2023

Careless holidays in the historic village of Bilstini with divine creme brulee and brilliant coffee. 'Rīta putni', Bilstini, Koknese parish, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 29147071, +371 29259572 www.ritaputni.lv

**9** 56.6391917,25.4055885



Riding an electric vehicle is a fun way how to visit beautiful places in Liktendārzs in an environmentally friendly manner. It is a convenient means of transportation for those who cannot or do not want to travel long distances on foot. The speed of these vehicles is 15-20 km/h. Liktendārzs, Koknese parish,

Aizkraukle Municipality Booking of electric vehicles: +371 26022919 www.impresso.lv

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The Mission for Koknese is an active recreation opportunity with competition elements. Complexity levels are customized



Offers trips in Perse and Daugava along with stories of the captain. There are places for up to 30 persons on each of the boats. With prior arrangement. +371 28490667

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'Gulbis' goes on trips along the Daugava river from Liktendarzs revealing the history of Koknese and the Garden of Destiny, the stories of the Daugava by listening to the audio guide's stories. There are 20 places on the boat.

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# **BOAT RENTAL PLACES**

Boat rental and relaxation on the shores of Daugava and

Boat's piers:

**32** Koknese Castle Ruins **♀** 56.637989, 25.417003

33 The Garden of Destiny

**♀** 56.6389299,25.417641 Gundegas'

**9** 56.6389302,25.4242071

Boat rental and recreation by the Lobe lake:



15 different boats for rent for fishing and entertainment purposes, fishing licences for sale. Campsite and bonfire spot, accommodation available. 'Vecbordzēni', Koknese parish, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 26567971

www.garausi.viss.lv **9** 56.708232, 25.285397



15 rowboats and water bikes for rent. Skābarži, Bebri parish,

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### ACCOMMODATION



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+371 29182926 Bormaņi, Koknese parish, Aizkraukle Municipality **♀** 56.676292, 25.482927



+371 29293877 Ozoliņi, Bebri parish, Aizkraukle Municipality

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Offers grilled food dinner. Prior arrangement recommenaea. +371 29578899 "Rozes", Bilstiņi, Koknese parish, Aizkraukle Municipality **9** 56.640088, 25.410089



Open from May - October. +371 26016243 Likteņdārzs, Koknese parish, Aizkraukle municipality www.kugitisgulbis.lv/kafejnicabaltais-gulbis/

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# INFORMATION

Aizkraukle municipality and Koknese tourism information centre Aizkraukle municipality and Koknese tourism information centre offers current information regarding local tourism and cultural-historical objects. Tourism Information Centre employees will provide

free information regarding sightseeing objects, activities, accommodation, restaurants and events in the Koknese parish in Latvian, Russian and English.

Information Centre also offers free brochures about Koknese and the surrounding area, regions of Latvia, Latvia in general, and individual towns.

Free WiFi spot available. Souvenirs with Koknese symbols available. We offer copying, printing, and faxing services.

# **Guide Services:**

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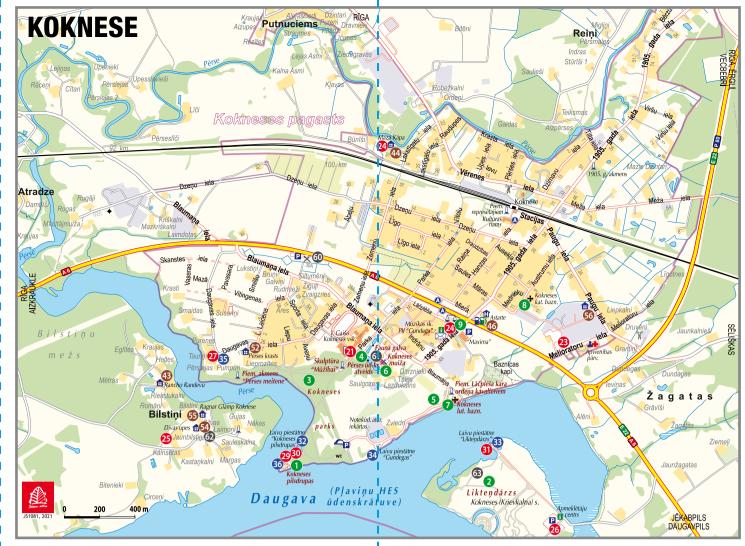


# Contacts of Aizkraukle municipality and Koknese tourism information centre

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is carried out on the Koknese island in Daugava with the help of the Latvian nation. By looking at the model of Liktendarzs you can see how the island will look like after the project has been completed. The model of Koknese Medieval Castle reflects its appearance in 1701, before the bombing. Model dimensions: length - 160 cm, width - 130 cm, height - 120 cm. The models can be viewed in Koknese Tourism information centre. 7 1905. Gada Street, Koknese,

During German colony times a parish house was established here. These days, visitors can see a stone memorial plaque for the Irši colony. Irši parish, Aizkraukle Municipality, +371 26377731

Former Irši parish building

**9** 56.791057, 25.594326

milk. The apiary that is located next to the school sells fresh honey. 'Dravas' Vecbebri, Bebri parish, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 26612354

**♀** 56.720752, 25.492924



The church was built in 2008 on a top of the old manor foundation, which is located on the park territory. Vecbebri had never had a church before.

# SIGHTSEEING OBJECTS

**KOKNESE** 



The Koknese medieval castle ruins hold testimonies from ancient Hanseatic city. Today Koknese medieval castle ruins host concerts and performances, as well as activities like minting coins, wedding ceremonies according to ancient Latvian traditions. The historical exposition in castle ruins pavilion gives insight about the previous scenery of the place. In the ruins, you can visit the torture chamber, see the former place of the well, and the outcrop of the ancient cobbles. Entrance fee. Park Koknese, Koknese, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 29275412, +371 65161296 www.visitkoknese.lv

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The Garden of Destiny is a symbol created in nature. It indicates continuous recovery and growth of the nation — this is where both human and state history, the present and future meet. Excellent environmental architecture has been combined with the beauty of the Koknese peninsula and the flow of River

Daugava.

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The Koknese park was created in 1900, by the River Perse estuary in Daugava. The Koknese park features both local and foreign trees, as well as a wide variety of rare wild flowers. The park is home to the Koknese medieval castle ruins, a fountain 'Faun's head, stone sculpture 'Perse girl'. There are several delightful wooden sculptures in the park, as well as the 11-metre wooden sculpture named 'For eternity', and a tea house-gazebo. History buffs will appreciate the Celtic crosses and cast-iron cannons from Swedish times, as well as burial grounds of the people who died during WWII. +371 29275412, +371 65161296

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In the gulley of the River Perse, there used to be Perse Waterfall, around 2.5 metres high and 20 metres wide. In memory of Latvia's lost treasure, a fountain resembling the historical Perse Waterfall was constructed in 2019.

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Koknese inspires and surprises regardless of the season! You can see it for yourself by taking a stroll on the Koknese nature trail (total length 5.65 km) along the Perse and Daugava rivers. Be sure to stop now and then and enjoy the pictures painted by nature and the flow of water. You can start your walk on the trail from your preferred location in the Koknese park. If you follow Daugava closely, listen to melodies of nature and water, and you will soon find vourself in Liktendarzs. +371 29275412, +371 65161296

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The Koknese manor complex is composed of the house of manor manager, which, together with the barn that has a centred red brick arc (where the pub 'Rudolfs' is located), and the former manor laundry house, create the Koknese (Alaine) manor complex. Rudolfs Blaumanis lived here from 1885 to 1887, while studying manor management. The buildings are currently used by Virsdaugava Forestry. The garden is open for

viewing. 3 Blaumaņa Street, Koknese, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 29275412 +371 65161296 **♀** 56.64322677, 25.42705178

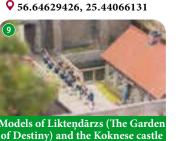


The Koknese Evangelical Lutheran Church was built in 1687. Ernst Glück, translator of the Bible into Latvian, once used to serve as a priest here. The 830 kg steel bell was installed in 1930. The same bell has been used to this day. The indoors area is decorated with paintings by A. Donenbergs. A memorial stele for the holders of the Lāčplēsis War Order of region Koknese can be seen near the church. 1 Blaumaṇa Street, Koknese, Aizkraukle Municipality

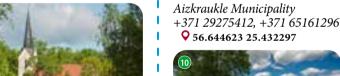


The church was consecrated in 1939. In the 80s of the last century the church was covered with red bricks. 1 Austrumu Street, Aizkraukle

Municipality



Liktendārzs is a national and European level project, which



Pastmuiža Devil's Stone is one of the most popular mythological stones in Latvia. The stone consists of two parts: length of the biggest part is 3.5 m, width 3.1 m, height – 0.9–1.9 m. The Pastmuiža Devil's Stone is located on the side of old Riga-Daugavpils highway, near the campsite 'Senči'.

Pastmuiža Devil's Stone

**♀** 56.626484, 25.455646



Irši parish

Irši is a place that was established by Catherine II of Russia in the second half of the 18th century. It was the biggest Baltic-German colony site in the Baltics. 'Kūlēni', Irši parish, Aizkraukle Municipality, +371 65163538 **♀** 56.793346 25.593668



Iršu manor barn – the magazine is a typologically example that characterizes the architecture of Vidzeme manors in the period of late classicism in the first half of the 19th century. The building has the typical features of a masonry barn at the time with an open porch. Building renewed in 2022. Magazina', Irši parish, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 26377731

**♀** 56.791500, 25.593111



This hill fort is also known as Ozolkalns, and it is located on the right bank of the river Pērse, approximately 1 km north of Irši, between the river and the highway. The dating of the hill fort is unclear for now.

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west of Irši and 2.5 km south of Liepkalne church, next to the former Lielkalni and Nomali farmsteads. Lielkalni hill fort was still used in the 10th century.

**9** 56.793313, 25.548970 **BEBRI PARISH** 



The exposition provides information about the life of a honeybee colony, their feeding procedure, apiculture products and the importance of bees. It also introduces to the founders and teachers of the Vecbebri beekeeping school. The exposition consists of ancient beekeeping tools, hives and equipment. Excursions must be arranged in advance. It is possible to order a honey tasting with rye bread and

manor were built in the first part of the 19th century, during the time of baron F. Meyendorff. The house of majordomo was burnt down in 1905. It was later renovated under Wilhelm Bockslaff's guidance. While renovating this building, an avant-corps was made, which is an expressive example of Art Nouveau architecture. The manor can be viewed only from the outside. 'Vecbebru muiža', Vecbebri, Bebri parish, Aizkraukle Municipality **9** 56.722806, 25.482252



Here You can see not only V. Jakobsons' creations, but also ancient nousenoid items and furniture, a collection of shoes, a small library and photos. With prior arrangement. Galdiņi', Bebri parish, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 29903892 **♀** 56.723549 25.489342



There are ruins of a red barn and a punishment pine at the edge of the Jaunbebri manor park. These are the truest witnesses to the 1841 Potato Rebellion riots of farmers. It was a protest against the nobility and is considered the first sign of national awakening.

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Vecbebri, Bebri parish, Aizkraukle Municipality **9** 56.723064, 25.482683 LEISURE AND

# CREATIVE ACTIVITIES



Koknese sports centre offers a modern pool (two pools (25-metre pool and a pool for children – 10×5 m), a jacuzzi tub, sauna and a steam bath, big sports arena, gym, stadium with a 400-metre running track and outdoor sports fields beach volleyball, basketball and skate park.

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**♀** 56.64385209, 25.42370439



Tourist groups can enjoy herbal tea-tasting in a unique environment and learn about the organic, preservative-free face cream 'Beāte'. Possibility to take a walk along the nature trail, as well as examine wild and medicinal plants in nature. 'Janavas', Koknese parish, Aizkraukle Municipality +371 25994160

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