Rīga – Skrīveri – Aizkraukle – Jaunjelgava – Koknese – Pļaviņas

– feelings restoration of 20th century - The charm of the small towns of Selia – edieval Sensations – Viking Boat Tour – Plavinu Daugavas promenade

The route begins only 76 km from Rīga going by the A6, P87, P76 motorway; the length ~ 100 km. One-day o for motorists. Along the route, you can choose other sightseeing objects and extend the tour to two days. The all paved road leads along the right and the left bank of the Daugava, revealing beautiful scenery.

Skrīveri Food Factory 9 welcomes you to learn about the unique Gotina candy, taste it and find one of the nost beautiful folk songs on the inside of the wrapper

Skrīveri Sweets 7 you can try your hand at wrapping a Gotiņa candy and participate in creative programmes where you can make artwork from

Skrīveri Home-Made Ice Cream (8) you will be surprised by poems about the cold delicacy and real artwork made from ice cream of various typically Latvian flavours for all tastes. You will also be able to make your own ice cream.

Plaviņas Hydropower Plant 22 the largest hydroelectric power plant in the Baltics, the econd largest in Europe. The HPP was built in a very short time - five years (196 266). The longest tunnel in Latvia connects both banks of the Daugava River. Th tory of Aizkraukle city began with the construction of Plavinas HPP.

Exhibition "Soviet Years" 32 – covers the period from 1945. to 1990. It is the largest exposition on the cultural and historical heritage of the second half of the 20th century i with respect for all who lived and worked in Latvia at that time. On thi the objects and feelings, the ideology of all sides of life is reflected.

Koknese Medieval Castle Ruins 45 are located in the flooded confluence of the Da gava and the Pērse. The castle was built in 1209 for the needs of the Archbishopric of ga. It was situated on the very top of the dolomite rock and was difficult to conquer. In 1, the castle was blown-up by the Saxon troops, and it was never rebuilt. The castle v stands in water as a result of the construction of Plavinas HPP. Entrance fee.

eproduction of Perse Waterfall. 47 In the gulley of the River Perse, there used to be se Waterfall, around 2:5 metres high and 20 metres wide. In memory of Latvia's lost sure, a fountain resembling the historical Pērse Waterfall was constructed in the park

SIGHTSEEING OBJECTS

SKRĪVERI COUNTY



1. Skrīveri Dendrological Park

The creation of the 16.8 ha large park was started in 1891 by the distinguished dendrologist Maximilian von Sivers. The park has been divided into 19 floristic regions. In a 1,5-hour tour you can see the trees of the northern hemisphere of the globe and explore 33 world rarities. On the other side of the road you will find forest culture and nature trails: Moss Trail, Lake Trail and The Good Luck Bear Trail. Rest area with a gazebo and fire places next to Lake Kalnamuiža.Advance booking. +371 25661983, tip@skriveri.lv

Biological Farm "Ragāres"

The farm gives an opportunity to learn about 100 different medicinal plants. Various herbal tea mixes herbs and instant vegetable soups of 100% biological ingredients are produced by the farm. You can enjoy a tour through the fields of medicinal plants, with relaxing tea-tasting and tasting of "Ragāres Fire Soup" cooked on an open fire. Advance booking

"Ragāres", Skrīveri, +371 29229588, www.ragares.lv

3. Andrejs Upīts Memorial House and

Garden. The museum offers a general exhibition and tells the story about the "Boys of Moss Village", various games and riddles as well as a tour in the museum's garder created by Andrejs Upīts himself. 58 Daugavas Street, Skrīveri, +371 29496725, www.upisamuzejs.lv

4. Ravens' Stone

An impressive 40 t heavy stone, an ancient cult place. The River Kraukļupīte and a spring can be found nearby. By the Riga – Daugavpils motorway, on the turn to Purapuke Street.

5. Science Centre of the Latvia University of Agriculture.

The centre is engaged in the selection of perennial grass plants and the cultivation of seed mixes; it carries out agricultural research in the territory of the Daugava Valley Nature Park. The centre offers educational excursions for agriculture professionals and other enthusiasts

"Selekcija", Skrīveri, +371 65197512, www.zzi.llu.lv

Aizkraukle Castle Mound – Augstie or Krauklu Hills.

Settlement of the Balts from the 1st millennium B.C. The ancient town with streets and ouses and artefacts of the Latgalians and Livs were discovered on the site during archaeological excavations. The ancient castle has been mentioned in Norse Sagas.You can enter Spidala/Askere trail from the summit of the caste-mound (on the A side).

7. "Skrīveri Sweets"

Manufacturing Facility, Shop and Cafe. Here you can learn about the old tradition of the candy "Gotiņa" (Little Cow) – one of the Latvian national symbols. 82 Daugavas Street, Skrīveri, +371 20366668, ekskursija@skriverusaldumi.lv

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8. "Skrīveri Home-Made Ice Cream" -

Manufacturing Facility and Cafe Here you can treat yourself with different kinds of home-made ice cream flavours served in a leisurely, cosy atmosphere. "Poetry of Ice Cream" is a unique surprise awaiting every guest. SIA "Rozīne", 96 Daugavas Street, Skrīveri, +371 28361561 www.majassaldejums.lv

9. Skrīveri Food Factory

Produce the unique milk candy "Gotina" which one can taste and enjoy during a tour. Listen to the candy making story and do a purchase. There are the greatest folk song verses printed in the candy-wrapping papers 2 Daugavas Street, Skrīveri, +37128685600.

skriveru.kombinats@gmail.com

10. The Two Sisters' Kitchen

The home production offers you various iams, jellies and preserves, sauces and dressings made of different seasonal garden goodies. Advance booking Skrīveri, +371 26527353

11. The display of traditional Latvian musical instruments at "Skanumāja"

The community "Skanumāja" have put traditional Latvian musical instruments on display which can be viewed at the premises of the community at Krape parish since autumn 2018. Visitors to the exhibition not only can learn about musical instruments made and played in Latvia in the last centenary, you can also trace the path of their development, listen to their sounds and even try to draw the sound out of the antique instruments. Advance booking. "Krapes", Krape Parish, Ogre County, +371 26162146

orial Site "Likteņdārzs" 46 – an unique memorial site created by the peopl a and is a symbol of nation's continuous growth and development. Like the Fr

Latvia and is a symbol of nation's continuous growth and development. Like the rece dom Monument, the Garden of Destiny is made up of donations. Each tree planted and

tone brought is a personal or family story about the history of the people of Latvia.

e garden consists of an alleyway of apple trees and a cobblestone road leading to the iphitheatre, a multifunctional center, a digital exposition titled "Liktens gāte", the Big

Tour on the Daugava in a Viking boat "Lāčplēsis" after an epic hero with reminders of guided by the captain takes riders along the Oliņkalns, Sēlpils castle mound and many c the Daugava's little bays. The duration of the trip is about 40 minutes.

Plavinu Daugavas promenade. 68 A nearly 2 km long cobbled, illuminated walkway for active or romantic walks alongside beautiful river of Daugava.

Skanstupite top waterfall. 71 Skanstupite or Aizmata is a tributary to the right coas Daugava. Around 200 m from Skanstupites entry in Daugava there is 0,7 m high aterfall and it is the highest non-flooded waterfall of the rocks of the Daugava sui

Gostiņu Cultural Historical Park 72 A park with seven memorial sites dedicat historical names of Gostiņi, each with an information stand with information and

12. The Juice House

The company has established its action with

vegetable juice as well as offering a service

the production of various types of fruit and

of juice extracting. The company offers you

to purchase the ready-made production,

order freshly extracted juice and taste the

products as well as watch the production

and vegetable powders that are a source

of health in the winter. During the season,

the Juice House will surprise adults with

Working time: June – the end of October.

Great-Master Laimdots Mūrnieks and Uldis

of six parts. The work was painted in 1958.

In 1961, when the building of the Latvian

Zemzars panno "Midsummer Night" consists

Agricultural Research Institute was built and

opened in Skrīveri, the painting was exposed

in the institute hall. Institute kept one of the

panoramic parts. The other five parts were

Skrīveri Culture Centre, A.Upīts Street 1

Relax in the garden of the best-kept farm-

stead in Skrīveri by enjoying a refreshing

drink, tea or coffee on a hot day and viewi

the artwork of different techniques created

by Professor Vigeo Saule, who has spent the

majority of his life in Venezuela. You will be

introduced to the artwork by Mārīte Saule

Vigeo Saule. Advance booking, Entrance for

10 Kastaņu Street, Skrīveri, +371 29187066

The Kurelian movement began in July 1944

in Skrīveri near Robežu estate. This is where

the Skrīveri battalion of several hundred

troops originated. The slogan of Kurelians

was "For a Free Latvia!" Advance booking.

Dīvajas Street–Mucenieku road, Skrīveri,

16. The Daugava creative workshop is

located at the historical fire station. Here

AIZKRAUKLE COUNTY

+371 25661983, tip@skriveri.lv

21. Daugava Valley Nature Park

The park is designed to protect the most

characteristic part of the Daugava valley

with river-formed terraces, which remained

Hydroelectric power station of Plaviņas. In

the valley of Daugava river has impressive

natural and heritage value. You can choose

http://aizkrauklesbaznica.lv, Anita Turlaja

travel form: walking, biking or driving.

(environmental guide) +371 28372730

www.aizkraukle.lv,

unchanged during the construction of the

spouse of the painter and graphic artist

Kurelian Memorial Stone

given to the Skrīveri Culture Centre.

14. Art Within Art garden festival

Skrīveri, + 371 25661983

donations.

"Lauvinas" (by the motorway Rīga-

www.sulumaia.lv. info@sulumaia.lv

13. Painting "Midsummer Night"

saltier and children – with sweeter miracles.

process. New: The Juice House offers fruit

one can learn about the process of silk screening, textile printing, pottery, and tile decoration. Prior application required. 70 Daugavas Street, Skrīveri. +371 28386655, radada.monta@gmail.com, 😚 radadau

NEW! 17. Moss trail

The trail is 800 m long and is related to the work by A.Upits "The Pals of Moss Village". Walking the trail, a stroller can come upor wooden statues of the Moss Villagers. The starting/finishing point of the trail is at Lake Kalnamuiza which is named The Round Lake in the story by A.Upits. Advance booking Daugavpils), Skrīveri County, +371 29294012, +371 25661983, tip@skriveri.lv

18. Lucky Bear's Trail

800-metre Lucky Bear's trail winds around Lake Kalnamuiza. There are two artificial islets which can be reached via 2 small bridges. Colourful artistic lights illuminate the surroundings of the islets and bridges during night hours. JSC "Latvia's State Forests" have constructed a bower and a campfire site with a grill for tourists to have some rest. Advance booking. +371 25661983, tip@skriveri.lv

19. Small ship "White Goat"

We offer trips with a trimaran type ship "Balta Kaza" ("White Goat") from Jaunielgava to Klidzina everyday (there are 25 seats). We transport bicycles as well. By arrangement, we organise excursions to Milestiba Island (Ozolu Island), Aizkraukle Castle Ruins, Kegums hydroelectric power station and other sites. Water tourism centre "White Goat" offers reliable quality water tourism equipment for rent: canoes. SUP. catamarans. water bikes, oar boats, fishing boats with 5 hp engines, no licence required), bikes. +371 29442587, 9443558

NEW! 20. The great oak "Great Andrew"

At the top of the Sprudu Hill (opposite the Skriveri Food factory) there is an oak-tree- a great oak, discovered in 1976 by the poet Imants Ziedonis, and given the name of Great Andrew in 1977, in honour of the hundredth birthday of Andrejs Upits. A beautiful view of Divaja valley, Jaunjelgava and the nature park Daugava Valley opens from the Great Oak platform. Advance booking. Skriveri, +371 25661983, tip@skriveri.lv

22. Hydropower Plant of Plaviņas To find out how the hydroelectric power plant works and how the Daugava water is transformed into electricity, we invite you to visit the Plavinas HPP and it's history exposition on weekdays, with advance booking at www.latvenergo.lv, but on Saturdays only the historical exposition can be viewed without prior notice. 2 Enerģētiķu Street, Aizkraukle,

+371 65110309, ina.aizupiete@latvenergo.lv



NEW! 23. The brand "Motive Design" working in a creative workshop. The inter ests are invited to learn about silk screen printing techniques. Graphic design is being created in the workshop and ideas turn into a finished product. Prior application required. 11 Spīdolas Street, Aizkraukle, +371 29193796, info@motivsdizains.lv

24. History and Art Museum of Aizkraukle **"Kalna Ziedi"**. The museum covers fields like history of art, folk art and art exhibitions, laja, +371 28372730, cassita@inbox.lv hosting permanent exhibition "The Fate of the Daugava Coast", wide exposition of agricultural implements. Annual festivals, museum pedagogical programs for pupils, traditional Latvian games and dances, family events are organized and held in the museum. Available fireplace and tent places Muzeja Street, "Kalna Ziedi", Aizkraukle, +371 65123351, 28305405. www.aizkraukle.lv.

www.aizkrauklesmuzejs.lv

25. Kalna Ziedi Castle Mound The castle mound adjoins the territory of the Kalna Ziedi museum. The mound was inhabited from the end of the 1st millennium B.C. Perhaps it was used as a refuge mound.

26. Self-catering cottage "Lejas Bitēni"

A mini-zoo, where rabbits, goats, ostriches, peacocks, ducks, horses and other animals live together, including a horse museum as "Lejas Bitēni" Aizkraukle parish, Aizkraukle

county, www.lejasbiteni.lv, +371 29268119, 29363048

27. Melkitāri Stone

The stone historically has been known as the Muldas stones, the Devil's Stone, the Sacrificial Stone, the Sacred Stone, and also the Sanctuary. Various rituals has been held here in past. Midsummer, children baptizing and worshiping. In order to receive a blessing for the farmers' village, the people donated to the stone the first crop of grain, cereals, butter, milk, and money Water, which has accumulated in the soiltype recess, is used in medical treatment Available "Latvian Christening and Wedding Ceremony" (led by folk ensemble "Karikste") director Anita Ostrovska: +371 29497587)





National level historical monument (built in 17th-19th century) of town construction. In the historical center of Jaunjelgava you can see the churches the memorial statue monument of the first Minister of Transport Hermanovskis. Guided tours through Jaunielgava. Tours book in advance.

34. Jaunjelgava promenade

of the Daugava (~2 km) with a playground for children, rest areas with benches, tables, campfire places and parking. Jaunjelgava

Latvian Jews. Meža street 12. Jaunielgava

36. "Ellite" Sulfuric spring

Sulfuric spring flows out of the Ellīte bog. It is possible to gather some water from the spring, there is a path with a recreation site and info stands. The spring is popular for its healthy water. Also therapeutic sludge was extracted there years ago. Daudzeses parish

37. "Aklais (Jūgu)" bog

Nature reserve "Aklais purvs" was established in 1999. It is 2003 ha vast. The area is with high landscape value. It has typical high bog landscapes, lakes and closed forest project of architect Johann Helt, the church landscapes. A 2 km long footbridge has been was rebuilt and a tower was built. The rebuilt created in the bog, where it leads from the memorial site, which was created in honor of the battles of the Second World War along the Girupe River to Girupe Lake. Daudzeses parish



28. Witch Airfield and the Old Limekiln In the "Cepli" the main Witch of the Daugava Valley trains for flying. The opportunity to learn various magic rituals by solving challenging tasks. You can taste a delicious herbal tea and cook a fire soup in the witch's cupola. In the old lime bog tour you can see the fossils of fish seaweed and seas rich flora and fauna, and quench the thirst at the Kupranītis source. The excursion is runned by a certified environmental guide Anita Tur-

29. Aizkraukle Medieval Castle Ruins

The ruins of Aizkraukle medieval castle are located on the bank of the Daugava by the estuary of the River Karikste. For safety reasons, it is advisable to view the ruins from a distance.

30. The River Karikste One of the most interesting places in Daugava Valley. The former Aizkraukle stone castle. which housed German nobles, was built on Karikstes zigzagged bank. During the spring floods, the river provides a challenge for boating fans. The last 500 metres of the river are especially thrilling for kavakers. The Daugava Valley Nature Park near Dzirnavas.

31. The Old Lutheran Church of Aizkraukle. guide, torture chamber. Entrance fee. The church is an architectural monument of +371 65161296, 29275412, national significance. The stone church was www.visitkoknese.lv built on the site in 1680, while it acquired its current appearance in 1896-1899, following the plans of the architect G. Krons and being of Destiny) influenced by the neo-gothic trends of the time. Advance booking

Vīgante manor park

Staburaga parish

former manor house.

Sunākstes parish

Fridrihs Malbergis

32. Exhibition "Soviet Years" The museum has arranged an exposition consisting of several parts: street reflecting transportation of the time, history of the construction of HPP. library, apartment, functional cabinet, life in the Kolkhoz. Expositions dedicated to Soviet political repression, sport, medicine, police, childhood and culture. The exhibition is open from Wednesday to Sunday, from 11am till 5 pm Kalna Street 20, Aizkraukle parish, +371 65123351, 28305405, www.aizkrauklesmuzejs.lv



33. Historical centre of Jaunjelgava town "Heroes of the War of Independence" and the and Labor of the Republic of Latvia Teodors Jaunjelgava, +37127366222

Vīgante, Staburaga pag., +371 29391109 Well-maintained walking trail on the bank

39. Adminu Great Rock This gneiss giant shows us in all its beauty. The dimensions of it are 3.9 x 6.1 x 2.5 m, with volume of 32 m³. Measured by Opmanis on September 7, 1997.

35. Jewish cemetery Renovated Jewish cemetery. The fate of

+371 26593956, http://aizkrauklesbaznica.lv



38. Memorial site of cliff Staburags and

In Vigante Park you can see the memorial sign "Dieva auss" dedicated to the flooded rock of Staburags, the sculpture "Daina", the daylily garden, the Staburags meeting house with exhibitions. In Vigante Park it is possible to visit P. Barisons' gazebo, where there is information about the composer, his work, song festival tradition and it is possible to listen to the compositions created by

ing ravines and inlets of the River Daugava. The walk may be started at various points. 7 1905. gada Street, Koknese, +371 65161296, 29275412, www.visitkoknese.lv

40. Memorial sign – object of art, dedicated to Gothard Fridrich Stender To mark the 300th anniversary of Old Stender, a memorial was unveiled in the center of Sunākste Parish on August 30, 2014. In his honor, the Stender Alphabet Trail was created which introduces the letters of the "Picture Alphabet". The trail is

about 300 m long and leads to the site of the

(1823–1907) and the German soldiers who

died in World War I are buried in the church

cemetery. Friedrich Malberg was a band in

41. Sece Lutheran church and tomb of In 1792, a stone church without a tower was built in Secé. In 1862, according to the church with 300 seats was consecrated in 1862. October 28. Sece Church is a neo-Gothic stone-brick wall with a tower. The poet and teacher Friedrich Malberg

45. Koknese Medieval Castle Ruins It is cultural monument of national significance and one of the most popular sightsee

ing objects in Latvia. The historic display exhibited in the pavilion will give you an insight into a landscape long lost to the human eye. Services: coinage, souvenirs, weddings performances for newlyweds in a medieval and old Latvian style, medieval games, audio

46. Memorial Site "Liktendārzs" (Garden

Together, we are forming a garden that tells the story of our nation in the 20th century. and symbolises its continuous resurgence. It is a place of gathering, where one may feel the energy of nature and the nation. Here, outstanding landscape architecture flows as one with the beauty of the Isle of Koknese and the River Daugava. +371 25495544, www.liktendarzs.lv

47. Park

The gate to the former manor park, with stone pillars and a zoned off old road along the ponds of the old mansion, will lead you to one of the most popular recreation sites in Koknese. Anyone is welcome to discover the cultural heritage of the previous centuries, see the Fawn's Head fountain originally created by sculptor V. Jākobsons, imitation of historical Perse waterfall, wooden sculptures Catfish, Owl, Castle Tower and the height meter, one of the highest wooden sculptures in the Baltics For Eternity by G. Burvis, the New Castle Ruins, Swedish era cannons, wheel crosses and Devil's cellar. The longest path will take you to the site on the coast of the River Pērse where the lonely "Pērse Girl" mourns over the lost waterfall. A beautiful view to the castle can be enjoyed from the gazebo of the tea pavilion. +371 65161296, 29275412, www.visitkoknese.lv

48. Koknese Manor Ensemble

The former estate steward's house, where the writer Rūdolfs Blaumanis lived from 1885 to 1887. Today the building houses Vidusdaugava Forestry.

49. Koknese Lutheran Church The church was built in 1687. Its tower

features a large cast iron bell, while the interior is decorated with paintings by A. Dobenbergs. Advance booking. +371 65161347

50. Nature trail

All lovers of nature may walk along the naturally formed trail with wooden bridges cross-

51. Koknese Tourism information centre.

It is possible to view mock-ups of the Garden of Destiny and Koknese Castle. A large exhibition hall and an extensive offer of souvenirs. There is an interactive tourism stand available outside, next to the tourism centre, offering tourism information day and night. 7 1905. gada Street, Koknese, +371 65161296, 29275412, www.visitkoknese.lv

52. Pastamuiža Devil's Stone (an ancient ancestral sacred site)

Located by the old Riga-Daugavpils highway which slides into the Daugava in the vicinity of the stone. The camp site "Senči" is nearby. The stone consists of two parts with the largest one being 3.5 m long, 3.1 m wide and 0.9–1.9 m high.

53. Crafts Centre "DUNENSE".

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

the Sece Lutheran Church and taught Sece's 43. Struve Geodetic Arc point BRISTEN In 2005, the circle of Struves was included in the UNESCO World Heritage List as a unique system for the longest and most accurate geodesic measurements of the 19th century.

44. Memorial Museum of Composer

Seces parish

Peter Barison The museum presents Selijas rural single farm, its nature and its domestic virtues and the spirit of songs. Tours book in advance, entrance for donations Staburaga parish, "Skudras", +371 22381401

KOKNESE COUNTY

children for 31 years

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Seces parish, +371 20233637

42. Woodcraver P.Graudulis house

Jelgavas street 14, Jaunjelgava

The master's works can be seen in the mu-

seum from the beginning to the present day.

Apply for a visit in advance. The entrance for



accessory. Opportunity to visit a leather accessory shop and purchase one of the manufactured products. 7 1905. gada Street, Koknese, +371 29227936, www.dunense.com

54. Organic Farm "Janavas'

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,+371 25994160, www.janavas.lv

55. Creative House

In the creative house, the association "Baltaine" invites you to participate in programs with games, dances, creative and craft workshops. Offer wedding performances, seminars and Latvian national celebrations classes, culinary heritage master classes, working together with craftsmen, latvian game activities by walking in Koknese park.Advance booking. 1A Melioratoru Street, Koknese, +371 26575499, ingunazogota@inbox.lv

56. Latvian Museum of the History of Beekeeping

The exhibits, which are spread out in four halls, give an insight into the life of a bee colony, bee food base, bee products and their importance. You can order honeytasting with rye-bread and milk.Advance booking

"Dravas", Bebri parish,+371 22411283

57. Memorial House of the Sculptor Voldemārs Jākobsons

The museum features an exhibition of the sculptor's art works, ancient household items and furniture, footwear collection, including the mighty traveller's boots, small library and a collection of photos "Galdiņi", Bebri parish, +371 26339168, 27294969

58. Vecbebri Manor Complex

Residential building was constructed in the second half of the 19th century according to the conventions of classicism. Features the manor's dwelling house, barn, cellar, stable and park. Bebri parish

PLAVINAS COUNTY



NEW! 62. Gift shop "Latvis Dara" "Latvis Dara" is a place where the best Latvian craftsmen meet. The gift shop offers things made in Latvia as well as premises for creative workshops, tastings and themed evenings. In the summer season it offers paddleboards for rent. "Liepsalas", Klintaine parish +371 25696363,🛟 LatvisDara

63. Lokstenes sanctuary From May to November, the main shrine

of the Dievturi movement can be seen. It is located in river of Daugava near the bakery "Liepkalni". You can get there by raft. The

59. Vecbebri Holy Family Roman Catholic

Church The church was built on the foundations of the old manor house. located in the territory of Manor Park; opened in 2008. Advance booking +371 26328578

60. Jaunbebri "Potato rebellion" – a Place

of Remembrance Ruins of the red barn and the punishment pine aside Jaunbebri Manor are witnesses of the peasant rebellion in 1841, called the "Bebri Potato Rebellion". +371 26339168

61. Irši

The place of the largest Baltic German colonies in the Baltics, founded in the 18th century by the Russian Empress Catherine II. In the centre of the parish you can see the storage barn and the former parish house of the colonists - an originally built wooden building and a memory stone in remembrance of the Irši colony. Tours guided by Valda Kalnina. Irši parish, +371 26369665



shrine was opened in May 2017 and is intended for Latvian creed (Dievturība), the honor of human life, as well as for the organisation of anniversary and public holidays celebrations Parish of Klintaine +371 26449567

64. Stukmaņi Manor

Built in the 16th century, currently it can only be seen from the outside. You can also visit the family tombs (17th century) of the owners of Stukmani Manor, found near the Manor on the castle mound Vinakalns. "Stukmaņi", Klintaine parish

65. Olinkalns

A gently sloping, wooded island in the Plaviņu HPP water reservoir opposite Stukmani. A small castle mound embankment, the remains of an outdoor stage, a dolomite outcrop a few metres high and the remains of Andreja Cliff, can all be seen on the island.

66. Gostini Lutheran Church

was consecrated in 1830. The church is a late Classicism style cruciform building with a low tower topped with a semi-circular tinplated dome. Opposite the main entrance stands a pulpit altar, which is a type of altar seldom found in Latvian sacral architecture. 34 Lielā Street, Plavinas

67. The Daugava Raft

On Daugava Street, right on the bank of the Daugava, a model raft placed on boulders and a stand tells rafters' memories which are supported by historical photos.

68. Plavinu Daugavas promenade

An almost 2 km long bulkhead protects Plavinas from the spring high waters. The bulkhead has become a popular recreation spot for leisurely walks or sports activities

69. Stone of Peter the Great

The stone is considered to be one of the four boundary-marks of Lokstene with a carved coats of arms of the Archbishop of Riga and his vassal Vrangelis (not earlier than the 14th century).

70. Swedish Fortification

Only remains of the ramparts and bastions have survived from the Swedish fortification built in the 17th century. The one in Gostini is one of the most impressive fortifications in Latvia.

71. Skanstupīte top waterfall

Skanstupites top waterfall. Skanstupite or Aizmata is a tributary to the right coast of Daugava. Around 200 m from Skanstupites entry in Daugava there is 0,7 m high waterfall and it is the highest non-flooded waterfall of the rocks of the Daugava suite.

72. Gostiņi Cultural History Park

The historical research of Gostini has resulted in the creation of a park with sever memorial sites dedicated to the historical names of Gostini in different time periods: Evestmunde, Glazmanka, Trentelberģis, Zarnu miests and Žīdu miests, Dankeri, and



Gostiņi. Each of the sites has an information stand with facts and photographs.

73. Odziena Castle

The mid-19th century Odziena Castle is one of the most noteworthy Neo-Gothic style monuments in the Baltics, which is experiencing a slow revival. One of the wings of the castle already houses five celebratory halls. Two buildings are used for economic activity: the ancient Tavern inn offers both catering and room rental, while the beer and kvass in high demand in pubs around Latvia are made at Castle brewery. An opportunity to book excursions in the manor ensemble and Castle brewery **NEW!** The Odziena Manor is home to an impressive collection of Soviet-era cars and machinery. This collection includes more than 20 Soviet-era cars, motorcycles cameras, radios, home appliances and ever a formula race car!

Odziena, Vietalva parish, +371 20533333, www.odzienasmuiza.lv, 😯 odzienasmuiza

74. Vietalva Lutheran Church

The church was built in 1814 and it is locat ed on a hill by the side of the Vietalva–Odziena road. During World War II the church was destroyed. Traces of shells can still be seen on the walls of the church, however, the roof of the church is renovated and the grand hall is now paved. Mass is held there on the first Sunday of every month. www.vietalvasbaznica.lv

75. Veseta Flood-Land Swamp

A protected complex of wetlands with an area of nearly 430 ha. Home to one of the largest populations of marsh saxifrages in Latvia and a diversity of birds. There is a walking trail and a memorial for national partisans - a dugout and a cross - in the territory of the nature reserve. www.daba.gov.lv

76. Exhibition hall dedicated to Juris Kalninš

A classroom in memory of Juris Kalninš (1847–1919), teacher of Vietlava Congrega tional School. Kalninš was one of the first leaders of the National Awakening in the Vidzeme countryside. A unique individual. he was an excellent teacher, a very talented choir conductor and a socially active worker: a Neo-Latvian, publicist, member of publication editorial boards and a literate. "Skola", Vietalva parish, +371 29396188



MIDDLE DAUGAVA



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www.visitkoknese.lv

Pļaviņas County Tourist Information Centre 49 Daugavas Street, Pļaviņa Pļaviņas county, LV-5120,

www.plavinunovads.lv



One of the smallest breweries in Latvia. Every day from 10:00 to 17:00 it is possible to taste and purchase the light and dark BURSH been as well as find out information regarding the preparation of beer. Excursion groups should apply in advance. There are fire and tent places available within the territory of the brewery. There are also rooms that can be rented for events (with up to 40 people). SIA "ECOS", "Burši", Aiviekste parish, +371 29252115, 😚 AlusBursh

78. Farm "Karlīnas"

In the farm you can see and purchase thoroughbred rabbits; various articles made of rabbit skin are offered as well. Here you can see birds and animals – kangaroo, llama, skunk, alpaca, sheep, goats, otters, marmots, geese, peacocks, pheasants, nandu, and others. More and more animals find their home on the farm. There is a fireplace,

ACCOMMODATION

SKRĪVERI

Hotel "Klidziņa", +371 29409917, www.klidzina.lv

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Hostel of Aizkraukle County School +371 65123026, 28382330 Hostel of \ Vocational School, (payments via an online bank transfer only) +371 65133704

Recreation Complex "Zariņi", +371 29410426, 26397619, www.zarini.viss. Guest House "Valteri", +371 26161062,

26182772, valdispadoms@inbox.lv, www.atputavalteros.lv Country House "Pakalni", +371 65123289 29282229, www.viesunamspakalni.lv Holiday House "Cepļi", +371 26957209,

ivica.co@inbox.lv Holiday House "Lejas Bitēni", +371 29268119, 29363048, www.lejasbiteni.lv

NEW! Aizkraukle Superior apartments 16 Spidolas Street, Aizkraukle, +371 29442747

NEW! VILAR HOTEL, 20B Gaismas Street, Aizkraukle, + 371 25626060 (reservation), applications for reservations starting from the beginning of the tourist season.

JAUNJELGAVA

Holiday house "Piešupīte", Staburags, Staburaga parish, +371 29490300. Tent recreation place "Vīgantes parks" on the bank of the Daugava, Staburags, +371 29892925.

Recreation site "Lapsu ciems","Piparkalni", Seces parish., +371 29181195, 20080963. Tent rest area on the bank of the Daugava "Gundegas", "Gundegas", Seces parish. +371 20233637

Holiday house "Trīs istabas", "Lazdāres", Serenes parish., +371 29476944, www.celotajs.lv/lv/e/tris_istabas. Guest house "lecavnieki", lecavnieki, Sērenes parish. +371 26334498.

www.iecavnieki.viss.lv Hostel of Jaunjelgava secondary school. Uzvaras street 1. Jaunielgava

+371 65152366, 29340491, www.iaunielgavasvidusskola.lv

Guest House "Rats". Daudzeses parish. +371 29114886

Holiday houses "Kraujas", Sērenes parish, +371 27897824

Bathhouse "Radzes", Seces parish., +37126908813

Camping "Balseri", "Balseri 2", Daudzeses narish +371 26046258

Paths

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Parking

as well as horseback riding "Aivari", Siljāņi, Vietalva parish, +371 26108488

NEW! 79. Exposition "Latvian Army in Plavinas in the 20th Century" During the War of Independence, the headguarters of the Latvian Eastern Front was established in Plavinas. In 1919, the activities of Latvian army units against the Red Army in Latgale were led directly from Plavinas. Now near the former headquarters building there is a memorial statue dedicated to 15 cavalry of the Lāčplēsis Military Order born in Plavinas region. In the premises is an exposition "Latvian Army in Plavinas 20th century", which tells about events during the freedom fights in Plavinas, as well as provides an insight into the life stories of the Knights of the Lāčplēsis War Order. Advance booking. Odzienas Street 2A, Plavinas, +371 28442692



Hotel "Orinoko", +371 26637918, www.orinoko.lv

Holiday House "Mazā kāpa", +371 29227936. www.dunense.com Holiday House "Pērses krasts",

+371 29435631 Guest House "Kūpiņsala", +371 27553304 Recreation Complex "Rančo Randevu",

+371 29295900 Recreation Complex "Kalnavoti",

+371 26554204, www.kalnavoti.lv Guest House "Divas upes", +371 29578899 Guest House "Sidrabi", +371 26593210 Camping "Daugavas radzes", +371 26524446

Camping "Gaurauši – Vecbordzēni", +371 26567971. www.vecbordzeni.viss.lv Camping "Senči", +371 25227262 Motel "Kokneses DUS", +371 65161994 Hostel of Vecbebri Vocational School,

+371 26593960 Hostel of Koknese primary school development Centre, +37165129248 Bath House "Bebru pirts", +371 29293877 Bath House "Zutina pirts", +371 26380142, www.zutinapirts.lv

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Odziena Tavern, +371 2053 3333, www.odzienasmuiza.lv, 😯 odzienasmuiza Guest House "Jumiezis", +371 29501699, 😯 jumiezis

Motel "Bu-Bu", +371 65133273 Guest House "Arita", +371 26757742 Recreation Complex "Avoti",

Odziena Boarding School, +371 65133848 Recreation Complex "Mežezera stāsts", +371 29664410. www.mezezerastasts.lv Guest House "Camata", +371 29203367,

Camping Site "Annas klints" ("Ann's cliff") Forest house "Lidaces", +371 29482691 NEW! Tent sites in the territory of beer G AlusBursh

Legend 1 Hotel • Other accommodation Main street One way street Tourism information i Unsurfaced road Public building _ Pedestrian street, Pathway (selection) Outstanding building **H** Built-up area with Koknese Railway • Station 12 house numbers Boundaries of administrative Industrial area and territorial units Allotment gardens Bus terminal, Bus stop Forest, park Filling station ++++++ Cemetery Swamp 🔀 🖓 Restaurant, cafe • Market Post office • Self-government Castle mound * Rock, cliff 📑 🕂 Hospital • Out-patient clinic ____ Boundary of protected 🕂 🔟 Church • Monument nature area Museum • Open-air theatre •••••• Bike route K 🔶 Cinema • Internet Nature trail







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> NEW! Holiday house "Kalvilumi", +371 29494504

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

SKRĪVERI

Aizkraukle

PURVCIEMS

"Sarmīte Stables" – horse riding, ride in a cart, winter sledge rides. Pony rides for Lielkažoki-1, Skrīveri, +371 29748079

The Daugava Valley Nature Park introducing the ancient Daugava Valley to cyclists, Nordic walkers and hiking enthusiasts in Skrīveri and Aizkraukle municipalities. www.skriveri.lv/turisms

NEW! Water tourism centre "White Goat" offers reliable quality water tourism equipment for rent: canoes, SUP,

catamarans, water bikes, oar boats, fishing boats with 5 hp engines, no licence required), bikes.

To book trips and other services call +371 29442587, 29443558

NEW! The skatepark, built on the initiative of the Skriveri Society 'Baravika'. The area is illuminated. 5A Dzelzcelnieku Street.

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The Daugava Valley Cycling Route for cyclists wishing to explore Daugava Valley in the counties of Aizkraukle and Skrīveri. www.aizkraukle.lv/turisms

The association "Daugava's Traveller" has introduced a new form of active recreation – orientation (electronic tagging system), in addition to tourism and sports, offers already in place.

daugavascelotajs@gmail.com, http://daugavascelotajs.mozello.lv

G daugavascelotajs Society Sports Club "Garām ejot" cycling development in Aizkraukle.

www.garameiot.lv Outdoor fitness equipmen located in Aizkraukle and Aizkraukle parishes (explain the exact location by calling +371 25727419).

Aizkraukle Regional Sports Centre A wide range of sports offers inside and outside. In the winter, the sports center offers distance ski rental. The store "Fans' (located in the sports center's premises) in the summer rents SUP boards, winterskates. 21 Lāčplēša Street, Aizkraukle, +371 26182772, 29378143, sportacentrs@aizkraukle.lv

"Artemīda L" shooting range – offers shooting classes and individual training either with personal guns, or those that are available at the shooting range 21 Lāčplēša Street, Aizkraukle, +371 65129005, www.artemida.lv

Horse rides in "Leias Biteni" - offers relaxing horseback rides and horse-drawn carriage rides in summer, or sleigh rides in winter. "Lejas Bitēni", Aizkraukle parish, Aizkraukle county, +371 29268119. 29363048, www.lejasbiteni.lv

NEW! "Manēža" – indoor skate park, table tennis. novus. billiards 7 Rūpniecības street, Aizkraukle +371 27059569, 😚 aizkrauklesskeitparks

JAUNJELGAVA

Pump track – The multifunctional asphalt bike track can be used with mountain or city bikes, BMX bikes, longboards, roller skates, skateboards, scooters. Free entrance. Jaunjelgava, Liepu street 12A

Excursions along river on a barque "Vigante". Offers guided tours. Capacity -26 pers. Staburaga pag., +371 28703102, 28490667, vigante2015@gmail.com, www.vigante.lv

Tent place 'Gundegas' offers - SUP, boat "Gundegas", Seces parish, +371 20233637

Aklais (Jūgu) bog – a protected Latvian nature pond, with a fantastic bog footbridge path about 2 km long, soothing bog lakes, silence, peace and fresh air in the thick forests of Sēlija. Daudzese parish

KOKNESE

"Along the Daugava and Perse rivers **by SUP"** – holiday stop "Pērsejas" offers SUP equipment and rowing boat rental. Orienteering and active recreation routes on the river and on land with friends, family or team. Individually prepared offers. Picnic place and "Fire soup" in a picturesque place on the bank of the Perse River. "Pērsejas", Daugavas iela, Koknese, +371 29119882

Koknese Sports Centre municipality agency – sports hall and gym, swimming pool. sauna. steam bath, sports grounds and skatepark. 27a Parka Street, Koknese, +371 65161790,

www.koknesessportacentrs.lv Road adventures and recreation in the

countryside – a farm offering recreation with prior booking: enduro trails, horse riding, motorcycle rent, camping places. "Rosmes", Bebru parish, +371 23004690 Raibbalts - special design bicycles for rent.

Eight adult bicycles, two children's bicycles and one tandem bicycle for your enjoyment.



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Prior application required. During the summer, rental is also available at the Koknese Tourism Information Centre. +371 29766242, www.raibbalts.mozello.lv

NEW! "Water pleasures in Koknese". SUP boards, boats and water bikes for rent.

Koknese medieval Castle ruin boat pier, +37 26434520

"Vigante" boat - rides on the Daugava with routes of various duration. 26 seats. +371 28490667, www.vigante.lv

"Nameisis" boat - brings joy to tourists with rides between Koknese Castle Ruins and the Garden of Destiny. The route

serves as a link between various historica objects and events of our native land. Legendary names: Nameisis, Koknese, Garden of Destiny. The ride on the river wil bring magical experiences and a sense of adventure. It is a chance to spend a

moment in the past and be aware of the unrelenting strength of our nation. 19 seats +371 26161131, www.mezmalasvikings.lv Boats' piers:

Koknese Medieval Castle Ruins, Gundegas, Memorial Site "Likteņdārzs"

PLAVINAS

Farm "Pīlādži". Horseback riding, walks. "Stēģi-2", Klintaine parish, Pļaviņas county +371 22088402

Sports Club "Vietalva". Stadium, sports fields, cross-country skiing, tent places. "Mailes", Vietalva, +371 28626845

Skiing, biathlon sports base "Jankas Jaujas". In winter visitors are offered to ski on snow distance ski tracks, in other seasons it can be used for Nordic walking, hiking, running and cycling. The total length of the track is 5 km. There is a 2km illuminated path for walks in the dark time of the day. The base has an 800 m long asphalt circle for roller skiing and skating, as well as a biathlon shooting range where competitions are held regularly. In 2020, ar orientation map was created for the base area. Aiviekste parish, Plaviņas county, +371 26171250

Pļaviņas GYM – There are more than 23 modern and versatile exercise units available at the gym. Individual and group training. Daugavas Str. 43, Plavinas, +371 28617122

"Cigoriņš". Alpine skiing slopes, children's hill, cross-country skiing track, ski rental, picnic area. "Cigoriņi", Aiviekste parish, Pļaviņas county, +371 29203537

Squash Court. Squash court for individual, as well as group training. There is also table tennis, parallel bars and bars for strength training available at the hall.

28 Rīgas Street, Pļaviņas, +371 29704563 Open-air squash court. The only open-ai squash court in Latvia. Raina Str. 66b, Plaviņas

"Mežezers". Alpine skiing slopes, snowboard slope with jumps, inventory rental, instructors, guest house and holiday cottages. "Mežezers", Aiviekste parish, Plaviņas county, +371 29345686, www.mezezers.lv, 😚 mezezers

Pļaviņas Open-Air Swimming Pool. Open during the summer season, with a volleyball court and changing rooms Opening hours from 10.00 to. 22.00

1 Baseina Street, Pļaviņas Stadium "Gostiņi". Football field, stands with 140 seats, football training,

competitions. 61A Lielā Street, Pļaviņas, +371 26564699 Plavinas skate park, balance obstacle course. street gymnastics and playground, streetball courts, as well as a gym for various sports activities and classes. 50 Daugavas Street, Pļaviņas, +371 25756290

Horse rides "Dzintaru zirgi" ("Amber Horses") Rides on horseback and by sledge in winter, rides in a cart in summer both on the farm or at celebrations – celebrations. "Dzintari", Aiviekste parish, +371 26323070

NEW! SUP and kayaks for rent – great opportunity to spend your free time actively, in a good company, watching the Daugava waterfront and surroundings. SUP and inflatable kayaks are available for rent. Daugavas Street 47, Pļaviņas,

+371 29529743, 😯 jumiezis

NEW! A trip with the Viking barge "Lāčplēsis" – the trip goes along Oliņkalns, Sēlpils castle mound and the bays of Daugava. The barge can accompany up to 24 passengers. Pier – camping Anna cliff. Available only with prior reservation.

Anna cliff, Klintaines parish, Plavinu county, +371 26161131.

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NEW! Aqua Velo - offers two unique pedal boats for rent. The boats stand out at a speed of up to 15 km / h and are the only ones in Latvia.

Pļaviņas, +371 20163466, 🚯 aquavelolv