

TOURISM ROUTE

FROM ZEMGALE PLAIN TO THE FOREST LANDSCAPE

Zemgale can be proud of its landscapes that attract visitors. The vast landscapes blend with forested areas, which highlight the character of Selonia as a historic land. It is formed by the synergy between settlements, towns and rural areas, and enhanced by the Daugava River as an important symbol of Latvia.

The main objects of the route - nature tourism places, are complemented by active recreation opportunities, water tourism offer, boat trips along the Daugava and Vīgante park and the memorial site Staburags, which allows you to personalize the routes by creating customized travel programs before or during the trip.



1 Skrīveri Dendrological Park
The 392-hectare park is home to around 300 introduced tree and shrub species. 30 of them are of considerable European rarity.
📍 *Skrīveri dendrological park, Skrīveri parish, Aizkraukle mun.*
🌐 mammadaba.lv
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2 Koknese medieval castle ruins
One of the largest and most important medieval castles in Latvia. Impressive ruins have been preserved to this day.
📍 *Kokneses park, Koknese, Aizkraukle mun.*
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv
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3 The Garden of Destiny
It combines outstanding environmental architecture with the splendour of the nature of the Koknese peninsula and the flow of the Daugava.
📍 *Sala, Koknese parish, Aizkraukle mun.*
🌐 liktendarzs.lv
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4 Daugava Promenade in Jēkabpils
Walking along the pedestrian promenade, you can enjoy the flow of Daugava River and see the silhouettes of the city buildings.
📍 *Jēkabpils, both banks of Daugava*
🌐 visit.jekabpils.lv



5 Viesīte
A small town in the middle of Selonia, situated on a hill. The Viesīte Museum "Sēlija" is worth a visit, as well as tourists are welcome to walk along the Love Trail and go to the Viesīte Lake.
📍 *Viesīte, Jēkabpils mun.*
🌐 muzejsselija.lv
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6 Sauka Nature Park
Ormaņkalns has a viewing tower, which allows you to see the magnificent panorama of Lake Sauka and the vast forests of Selonia.
📍 *Sauka Nature Park, Elkšņi parish, Jēkabpils mun.*
🌐 visit.jekabpils.lv



7 Nereta
It is located on the border of Latvia, surrounded by the forests of Selonia, close to the Dienvidsusēja River. A place to experience boat trips and relaxation in nature.
📍 *Nereta, Nereta parish, Aizkraukle mun.*
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv



8 Aklais Bog
There are typical landscapes of raised bogs, lakes and closed forest landscapes. A 2 kilometre walking trail is available.
📍 *Aklais (Jūgu) bog, Daudz ese parish, Aizkraukle mun.*
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv



9 Skaistkalne Karst Sinkholes
Almost every local resident or those living nearby know stories about the land suddenly opening up, a horse or goat disappearing or a farmer's cultivated fields suddenly turning into small lakes.
📍 *Skaistkalne parish, Bauska mun.*
🌐 visit.bauska.lv
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1 Jēkabpils Forest Park
A children's playground with a "lynx house," a wooden gymnastics facility called the lynx trail, a footpath, a game called "Forest domino", the Sun terrace, a disc golf park, an outdoor tennis table, a skatepark, etc. activities are available.
📍 *Mežaparka street 15, Jēkabpils*
🌐 visit.jekabpils.lv
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2 Nature Park "Laukezers"
Laukezers is one of the cleanest lakes in Latvia, and the surrounding park has recreation and campfire areas for small, nature-friendly groups next to Lakes Laukezers, Ildzenieks and Baltiņš.
📍 *Laukezers, Kūkas parish, Jēkabpils mun.*
🌐 visit.jekabpils.lv



3 Water tourism offer in Jēkabpils county
Entrepreneurs of Jēkabpils county offer routes for different levels of preparation.
📍 *Jēkabpils mun.*
🌐 visit.jekabpils.lv
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4 Vīgante Park and Memorial Site of Staburags
In Vīgante 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.
📍 *Staburags parish, Aizkraukle mun.*
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv
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5 Boat trips along the Daugava
Various water tourism offers and trips along the river Daugava by boats.
📍 *Aizkraukle mun.*
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv/izbraucieni-ar-kugisiem



6 Quad bikes routes "Green road trips"
Every visitor has a great opportunity to experience adventurous quad bike rides within the offered routes in Vecumnieki area or make a unique one by own choice.
📍 *Bauskas street 17, Vecumnieki, Bauska mun.*
🌐 greenroadtrips.lv
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7 Zvirgzde White Dune
Zvirgzde White dune is believed to be one of the highest inland dunes in Latvia. In the West, the height of the dune tract reaches 4 - 8 m, while in the East - up to 32.5 m.
📍 *Vecumnieki parish, Bauska mun.*
🌐 visit.bauska.lv
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