

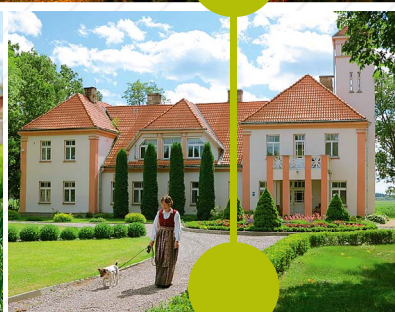


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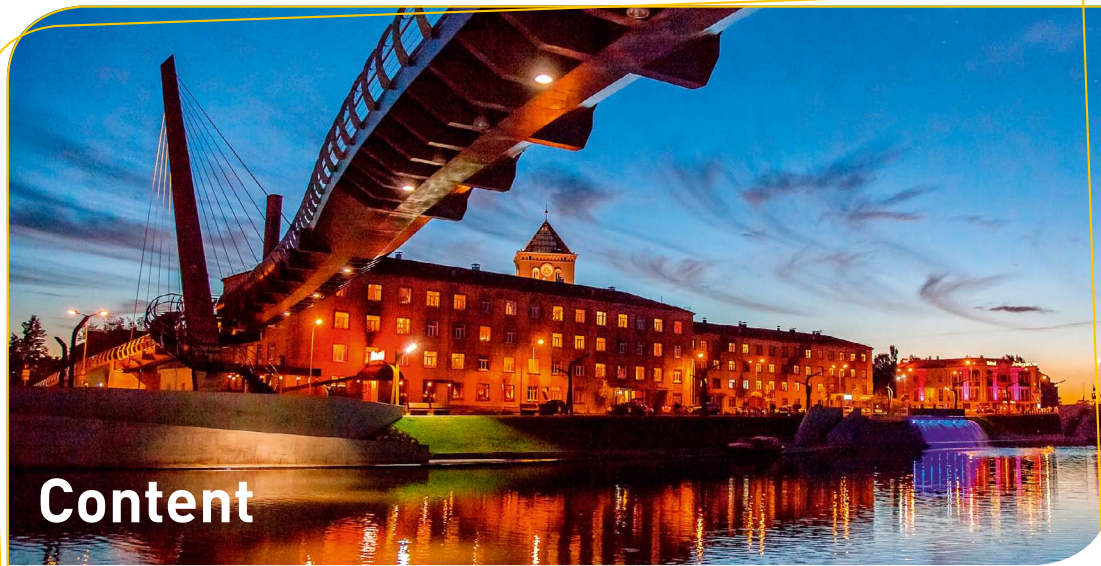
# Jelgava

Jelgava County  
Ozolnieki County

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# Jelgava

## Facts

- Population: 62,800
  - Ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in population of cities of Latvia
  - Area: 60.3 km<sup>2</sup>
  - Jelgava was founded in 1265.
  - Its coat of arms and the rights of a city were granted to Jelgava in 1573
  - The historic name – Mītava (*Mitau*)
  - The capital of the Duchy of Courland and Semigallia from 1578 until 1795
- [www.jelgava.lv](http://www.jelgava.lv)

## Cultural History

### Museums and Exhibitions

#### Jelgava Holy Trinity Church Tower

In 1574, in accordance with the order of Gotthard Kettler, the Duke of Courland, the construction of Jelgava Holy Trinity Church was begun. It is regarded as the first newly built Lutheran church in Europe made of stone. Until the end of the Second World War, it was the largest and the most impressive church building in Zemgale with a pronounced Jelgava's panoramic dominant – a 80 meters high Renaissance style tower. Unfortunately, the church was destroyed in 1944 and was no longer renewed, however, the Bell Tower retained its place. After major reconstruction, on November 16, 2010, Jelgava Holy Trinity Church Tower acquired a new face. At every turn, discoveries are waiting for anyone who goes through nine floors of the tower. Three history exhibitions with interactive elements are an excellent example of interaction between antiquity and modern times. From the tower's sightseeing platform, you can watch panoramic views of Jelgava to every point of the compass, enjoy an exquisite meal at the restaurant, but on the 1st floor you may receive useful tourist information. The tower clock chimes tunes are so pleasing, but in the yard, in the warm season, everyone feels delighted by the sculpture-fountain "Trinity".

🏠 Jelgava, Akadēmijas Street 1, +371 63005445, [www.tornis.jelgava.lv](http://www.tornis.jelgava.lv)



## Interesting

- The church tower is the oldest preserved building in Jelgava
- The total height of the tower is 50 metres
- The glass platform, from which you can observe the panorama of the city of Jelgava is located 37 meters in height







### Interesting:

The palace has 674 windows, 615 doors and 669 rooms, on the roof of the palace there are 25 chimneys.

## Jelgava Palace

Jelgava Palace is located on an island between the Driksa and the Lielupe Rivers and is the largest Baroque style palace in the Baltic States. It is the third castle built on this site. Initially, in 1265, a wooden castle was built there for the needs of the Livonian Order. It was named the castle of Mitowe, from which the ancient name of Jelgava – Mitava – was derived. In 1345, the wooden castle was burnt down and replaced by a stone castle, which later became the residence of the representatives of the dynasty of the Kettlers, the Dukes of Courland. After Duke Ernst Johann Biron came to power, the old medieval castle was blown up and in its place in 1738 a new palace designed by the Italian architect F. B. Rastrelli was built. The palace suffered fires on several occasions and in 1919 it was burnt by the retreating Bermont–Avaloff forces. After reconstruction in 1937, the building housed the Latvian Agricultural Chamber and the West-side opening was occupied by the newly built laboratory block of the emerging Latvian Agricultural Academy. The greatest damage to the building was caused during the Second World War, when at the end of July, 1944, the palace was destroyed. As a result, you can see the palace's shape after the reconstruction in 1961. Today, the palace houses the main inhabitants – students of the Latvia University of Agriculture. There is a museum in the palace that reflects the history of the palace's construction, and the exhibition of the Rundale Palace Museum, The Family Vault of the Dukes of Courland, which is the final resting place for the representatives of two Dukes' dynasties. Jelgava Palace offers for groups a special gourmet program "Hot chocolate in duke's residence" as well as to get acquainted with the secrets of calligraphy in workshop "Love letter of duchess Dorothea in atmosphere of 19<sup>th</sup> century".

🏠 Jelgava, Lielā Street 2, +371 63005617, [www.jelgavaspils.lv](http://www.jelgavaspils.lv)



## Exhibition of Rundāle Palace Museum "The Family Vault of the Dukes of Courland"

The history of the Family Vault of the Dukes dates back to 1582 and began in the previous castle of the dynasty of the Kettlers. Over the years, it was repeatedly devastated and looted. In 1970ies, inventory of the vault, putting in order and research of the burials, and the conservation and restoration of the damaged textiles were initiated. Currently, 21 metal sarcophagi and 9 wooden coffins are located here in which, from 1569 until 1791, 24 representatives of the Kettler dynasty and six representatives of the Biron dynasty were buried. In the exhibition space near the vault, restored costumes are exhibited and information is available about the persons buried in the vault. The vault is open to visitors from May until October.

🏠 Jelgava, Lielā Street 2, +371 63962197, 26499151, [www.rundale.net](http://www.rundale.net)



## Jelgava History and Art Museum named after Ģ. Eliass

The beautiful Classical-style building, which houses the main Jelgava museum, is known by its historical name *Academia Petrina*. It was built in 1775 on the initiative of Peter Biron, the last Duke of Courland and Semigallia, on the place of the former ducal city palace. The building once hosted the first higher education institution in the territory of Latvia. The Museum has found its home in the building since 1952. The museum exhibition tells about important developments in the history of Jelgava and the county from the ancient times until the present day. The greatest value of the museum inventory is the collection of paintings of the Latvian painter Ģederts Eliass (1887–1975). On September 23, 1987, in honour of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the painter, a monument to Ģ. Eliass, sculptor J. Zariņš and architect D. Driba, has been erected. The museum offers exhibitions, educational programs and tours for different age groups.

🏠 Jelgava, Akadēmijas Street 10, +371 63023383, [www.jvmm.lv](http://www.jvmm.lv)



## Memorial Museum of Ādolfs Alunāns

The museum dedicated to Ādolfs Alunāns, a playwright born in Jelgava, is located in the house where he spent the last two years of his life (1910 to 1912). The producer and the author of the plays is known as the father of the Latvian theatre. The exhibition located in the house provides an insight into the creative heritage left by Ā. Alunāns and keeps evidence of the beginnings of the Latvian theatre. The museum's display and the family household objects create a special romance, maintaining aura of the outstanding personality. Here, you can get into the actor's skin and test your wit, solving riddles. The father of the Latvian theatre is buried in the former Jāņa Cemetery, which now is called Alunāns Park. In 1913, a monument with a bas-relief of Alunāns created by sculptor Burkhard Dzenis was opened there.

🏠 Jelgava, Filozofu Street 3, +371 63021180, [www.jvmm.lv](http://www.jvmm.lv)





### Jelgava Exhibition of Latvian Railway History Museum

Right in Jelgava, in 1868, one of the first railway junctions in Latvia was built, so the only Latvian Railway Museum branch outside Riga is located here. The exhibition about the history of the Jelgava railway junction is located in the museum and a variety of exhibits relating to the railway may be accessed there.

🏠 Jelgava, Stacijas Street 3, +371 63096494, [www.railwaymuseum.lv](http://www.railwaymuseum.lv)



### Firefighting Exhibition

The exhibition is located in one of the State Fire and Rescue Service garages. Here you can view various exhibits of the work and daily life of Jelgava firefighters, starting from old diplomas up to the fire truck. Excursions should be booked in advance.

🏠 Jelgava, Dobeles Street 16, +371 63037550



### Museum of the Hospital "Ģintermuiža"

The origin of the psychiatric hospital in Jelgava dates back to the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, when an imposing building complex of Ģintermuiža was located there. Today, this heritage site is known as the hospital "Ģintermuiža" in which, during the whole 20<sup>th</sup> century, mental illnesses and addictions were treated and the hospital continues this mission today as well. The hospital conducts public education work to break the stereotypes of people about mental illnesses. In one of the historic buildings, a museum is located where you can get acquainted with the assistance rendered to patients. Excursions should be booked in advance.

🏠 Jelgava, Filozofu Street 69, +371 29678838, [www.gintermuiza.lv](http://www.gintermuiza.lv)

## Sacral Architecture

### St. Anna's Lutheran Cathedral

The church is considered to be one of the oldest buildings in Jelgava, which has remained after the war. Its construction is linked to 1573, when, in accordance with the order of the Duke Gotthard Kettler, the construction of churches was started throughout the Duchy of Courland and Semigallia. Originally, the church was built of wood, in 1621 a stone tower was built next to it, but the construction of the new stone church took place from 1638 until 1641. The church is one of the rare Manierist style monuments in Latvia and the first Lutheran Church in Latvia, which was restored after the Second World War. An important value of the church is the painting "Christ and the Samaritan Woman" (1910) by Janis Rozentāls. The pride of the church is the largest and best-functioning organ in Zemgale built in 1938.

🏠 Jelgava, Lielā Street 22, +371 63025515



### Jelgava Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Virgin Maria

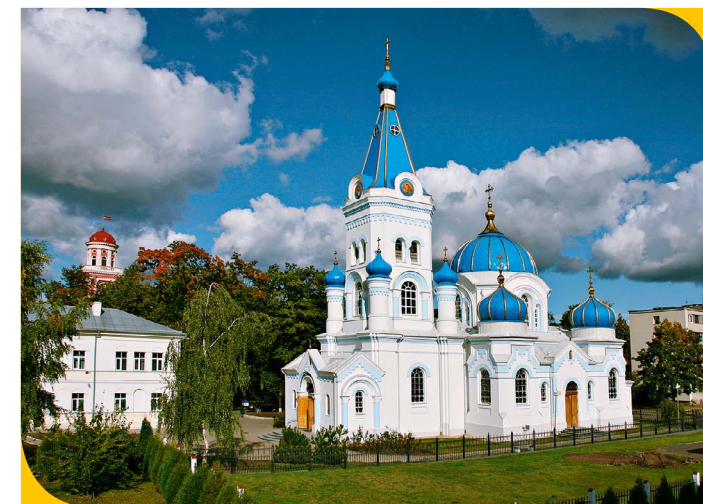
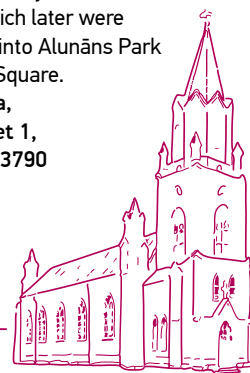
The church was built in the neo-Gothic style, from 1904 until 1906, based on the design of the architect Kārlis E. Strandmanis and with using a wide range of decorative elements. Above the entrance to the church, there is the bas-relief "The Last Supper". The significant sacral building was seriously damaged in 1944, however, it was restored. The spire acquired its current appearance only in 1992. In 1996, the Pope of that time John Paul II granted cathedral status to the church.

🏠 Jelgava, Katoļu Street 11, +371 63029702

### St. John's Lutheran Church

The church was built from 1845 until 1847 and funded from the legacy left by Jelgava Mayor H. Kloks. Its Gothic-style spire was completed in 1882. In the church, you can view the altarpiece of Julius Döring. Until the middle of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, near the church, there were John's Cemetery, Catholics' Cemetery, Writers' Cemetery and Old-Believers' Cemetery which later were transformed into Alunāns Park and Stacijas Square.

🏠 Jelgava, Jāņa Street 1, +371 63023790



### St. Simeon and St. Anna Orthodox Cathedral

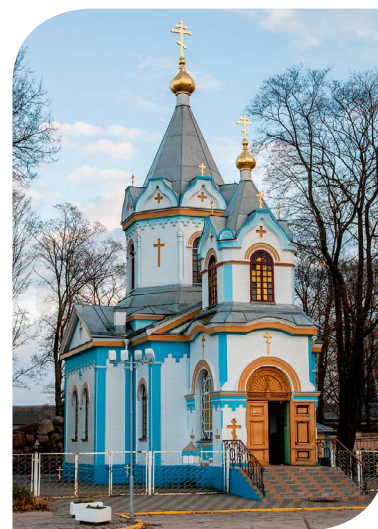
Like Jelgava Palace, this church also associates with architect F. B. Rastrelli's name. In 1774, the small one-domed church designed by Rastrelli was seriously damaged by fire in 1883. At the same time, due the increase in the population of the Governorate of Courland, it became narrow for the needs of the congregation. In 1892, the construction works of the new five-domed church (architect N. Chagin) were completed, which partially retained the foundations of the old church and the altar wall. During the Second World War, the church was destroyed. In 1992, its reconstruction works were commenced, which lasted until 2003.

🏠 Jelgava, Raiņa Street 5, +371 63020207

### Jelgava Dormition of the Most-Holy Mother of God Orthodox Church

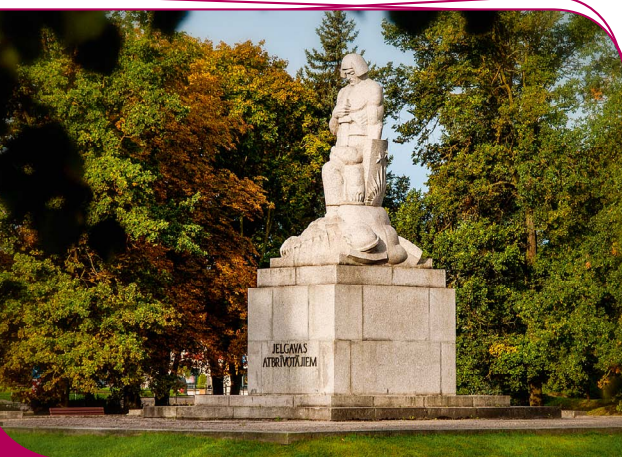
The history of the church is closely linked with St. Simeon's and St. Anna's Cathedral, during the repairs of it, in 1889, a small church was built in the nearby cemetery area. The building was designed by architect V. A. Lunsķis, its outlay is in the form of a cross. The building was not damaged during the war, its original interior as well as the iconic wall have survived.

🏠 Jelgava, Dzirnāvu Street 1, +371 63021006





## Historical Sites and Events



### Monument to the Liberators of Jelgava "Lāčplēsis"

The monument created by the sculptor Andrejs Jansons and unveiled in 1992 is located on the square in front of the Jelgava railway station. The author has restored the original sculpture created by his father Kārlis Jansons in 1932, which in the Soviet years was cleaved and buried. In 1988, the first fragment of the monument to Lāčplēsis was found, and it is currently located in the courtyard of Jelgava History and Art Museum named after Ģ. Eliass.

### Holy Bosk (Svētbirze)

A memorial site located between Kalnciems Road and Vecais Road, dedicated to the citizens of Jelgava, who died due to Soviet-era repressions. In 2008, in the grove, a memorial "Path of sufferings" was opened, which is created as a symbolic railway passage with a 20-meter long railway track.

### Monument to Jānis Čakste

Zemgale and Jelgava are known as the cradle of Latvia's pre-war Presidents. Jānis Čakste, the first President of the Republic of Latvia, was born in Jelgava, and he studied and worked there. The first monument devoted to him created by sculptor Kārlis Jansons was erected in 1931 near the building of *Academia Petrina*, however, in the post-war years it went to waste. In 2003, in the square of the Holy Trinity Church Tower, the newly created monument was unveiled, the author of which is sculptor Arta Dumpe.



### Love Alley

On the side of Dobeles highway, a monument of the 19<sup>th</sup> century is situated, which tells about friendship of two lawyers of the Court of Courland. A marble urn over the tomb of K. Tetsch has remained until today, but the second monument – a granite obelisk to G. Z. Schwander – was destroyed during the Second World War. The two friends' tombs are joined by a birch alley. This site is bound to a legend of the two friends' legacy left to newlyweds.

### Rainis Park

Rainis Park is one of the greenest and most popular recreational areas in the centre of Jelgava. In the middle of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, a garden was located there, named a Pauls' garden after the name of the garden owner of those times. In this place, Karl Pauli had a brewery with a public garden, a skittle-alley and a beverage pavilion. In this place, a park was opened in 1948, but in 1957 a bust of the Latvian poet Rainis, who for a few years worked as an advocate in Jelgava, created by sculptor Kārlis Zemdega, was erected there. In the 1960ies, a house was built for the needs of the pioneer organization, but nowadays it is the home of the Children and Youth Centre "Junda".

### Memorial Sign in Honour of the Singer Nora Bumbiere

In 2012, on the square behind the Jelgava House of Culture, a memorial sign was placed dedicated to Nora Bumbiere, the legendary Latvian singer, a citizen of Jelgava (1947 to 1994). In the sculpture, sculptor Kārlis Īle has united two songs of N. Bumbiere – "Song about the last leaf" and "Mute song". In the darkness, the sculpture is illuminated – its base is red-lighted, creating associations with glowing charcoal.



## Block of Vecpilsētas Street

This housing area of Jelgava with wooden houses was formed in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. Only due to the local residents' quick wit, this wooden house area was not burnt down during the Second World War. In 2010, improvement works of the block of Vecpilsētas Street were carried out – the street roadway section and the sidewalks were renewed, keeping the cobblestone paving. Streetlights, benches and a memorial sign to the Dobeles historic gate were installed, symbolizing one of the four 17<sup>th</sup> century city gates. From this place, along the nails road you can walk up to the Lake gate, located at the crossing of Uzvaras and Ausekļa streets. Information stands and plane-tables are placed on the streets of Old Town, featuring tourist attractions in Jelgava and providing useful information about the city in different time periods.

## Nature

### Lielupe Flood-land Meadows

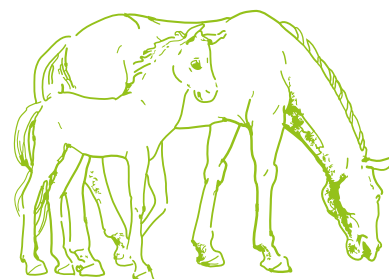
In the middle of Jelgava, at the far end of Pasta Island, a natural reserve "Lielupe Flood-land Meadows" is created. In order to prevent the flood-land meadows from overgrowing and raise the diversity of plant and bird species found there, in 2007, 16 wild horses of the breed *Konik Polski* were brought there, the number of which has reached over 60 wild horses now. As the horses are living in natural conditions, people are prohibited to feed them. The island is suitable for peaceful walks or riding a bicycle in the distance of 4 km.

📍 Jelgava, Palace Island,  
+371 20264343



### Noble Trees in Jelgava

- **The black poplar** near J. Asara street (on the square between Lielā and J. Asara streets), one of the noble trees in the city, is one of the largest of its species in Latvia; girth – 6.80 m, height – 30 m.
- **The oak** near Lielā street and Pulkveža Oskara Kalpaka street (Ozolskvērs); girth – 4.89 m, height – 20 m.
- **The horse-chestnut** in the garden of St. Anna's Cathedral (Lielā street 22a); girth – 3.23 m, height – 18 m.
- **The Luther's oak** in the garden of St. Anna's Cathedral (Lielā street 22a), the tree was planted in commemoration of M. Luther in 1883 in honour of his 400<sup>th</sup> birthday; girth – 3.07 m, height – 26 m.
- **Beeches** in Birth Cemetery (Bērzu kapi), some of the biggest beech-trees in Latvia. The age of the trees is estimated at around 250 years and the origin is associated with the burials or Henrietta Manor, which was founded in the vicinity of Birch Cemetery; girth – 4.10 and 4.23 m, height – 26 and 32 m.
- **The grey aspen** in the park of Jelgava Palace (Lielā street 2); girth – 5.09, height – 18 m.
- **The pyramidal oak** in the park of Jelgava Palace (Lielā street 2); girth – 3.44 m, height – 26 m.



## Uzvaras Park (Victory Park)

In 1818, the out of town-residence for the Counts Medem was built—the Classical style palace *Villa Medem* designed by the architect J. G. Berlitz. Around the palace, there was a garden, on the basis of which later the Victory Park was formed. On June 15, 1895, the procession of the IV Latvian Song and Music Festival began, in honour of which in 2008, a memorial stone "Song Wreath" (author – sculptor Ģirts Burvis) was set up in the park. Today, it is the venue of the outdoor concerts and performances.





# Culture, Entertainment, Sports

## Culture and Entertainment

### Jelgava House of Culture

The building of the House of Culture was built in 1962. Today, it is the centre of cultural life in Jelgava, where regular concerts, theatre performances, exhibitions and commemorative events are held. Jelgava choirs and dance groups, painting, weaving studios and Ādolf's Alunāns People's Theatre are located there. The building is managed by Jelgava city municipal authority "Kultūra".

🏠 Jelgava, K. Barona Street 6, +371 63023461, [www.kultura.jelgava.lv](http://www.kultura.jelgava.lv)

### House of Culture "Rota"

The history of the small house in Pārlielupe dates back to 1937, when three events were simultaneously held there – the Zemgale Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition, the Harvest Festival and the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of Kārlis Ulmanis, the State President and Prime Minister. From a number of specially built pavilions, only one pavilion has survived, in which the House of Culture "Rota" is located. The building is managed by the Jelgava city municipal authority "Kultūra", a number of amateur groups are located here.

🏠 Jelgava, Garozas Street 15, +371 63000844, [www.kultura.jelgava.lv](http://www.kultura.jelgava.lv)



### Dance Centre "Cukurfabrika"

Since 2012, the dance centre "Cukurfabrika" (Sugar factory) has given a new breath to the canteen premises of the former sugar refining factory in Jelgava, which now is home to over 300 dancers of "Benefice" and over 250 adults who want to develop themselves physically and spiritually. The dance centre "Cukurfabrika" provides an opportunity for everyone to move! The premises of the dance school can be used for various events.

🏠 Jelgava, Cukura Street 22, +371 27795685, [www.cukurfabrika.lv](http://www.cukurfabrika.lv)



### Jelgava Student Theatre

Over half a century, the old traditions of the student theatre in Jelgava have survived until the present days as in Jelgava the students theatre still is active. Play, prose and poetry performances are staged and improvisation in theatre sports takes place in the theatre. The student theatre in Jelgava has opened its facilities to groups of tourists, when you can enjoy a cup of tea and get acquainted with the history of the theatre and to get an insight into its activities today. Tours should be booked in advance.

🏠 Jelgava, J. Čakstes Boulevard 5a, +371 29677858, 26544502, [www.jst.lv](http://www.jst.lv)

### Music Club "Tonuss"

The modern nightclub is one of the most popular attractions in Jelgava. "Tonuss" is actively cooperating with the best Latvian and foreign DJ and music groups, enjoying the club's visitors with large-scale concerts and thematic events.

🏠 Jelgava, Uzvaras Street 12, +371 29900999, [www.tonuss.lv](http://www.tonuss.lv)

### Music Club "Jelgavas krekli"

The favourite music club with the citizens of Jelgava offers a lively entertainment for both adults and students. Concerts by popular Latvian groups and a wide range of thematic events take place in the club, where you can experience the party ambience typical only to Jelgava.

🏠 Jelgava, Lielā Street 19, +371 63022259, [www.jelgavas.krekli.lv](http://www.jelgavas.krekli.lv)



## Leisure sites

### Jānis Čakste Boulevard Promenade and Bridge Mītava

J. Čakste's pedestrian promenade has two levels- parallel to the street and along the river's Driksa bank. There are two sightseeing platforms on the upper level of promenade, that create 3 meters high waterfalls, while the 200 meters long pedestrian and bicyclist's bridge "Mītava" connects city's center with Post island. Due to its technical solution, bridge is considered to be unique in the Baltic states.

### Pasta Island (Post Island)

A favorite place for walking, active relaxation and different events. A 1.5 km long walking path is created around the island, here are located children's playgrounds and open-air stage. During winter time visitors can enjoy an ice skating in ring, but during summer time – beach. The most significant events are taking place on Pasta island, such as Ice sculpture and Sand sculpture festivals.

### The Lielupe Bank Promenade

The promenade has been built on the protection dyke for the right bank of the Lielupe River and has become a popular recreational place for the citizens of Jelgava. The city's official beach, the children's playground and bike stands are located here. The statue "Sirdspuķis" (Heart-bird) is erected at the end of the promenade.

### Sculpture-Fountain "Jelgavas students"

By Mītava Bridge there is a bronze sculpture-fountain made by Kārlis Īle "Jelgava's Student". The artist himself named the student Jēkabs Ceriņš – he is a third-year student born on 26<sup>th</sup> of July.

## Recreation on water

### Water bikes and boats rent

- Jelgava's yacht club – water bikes, boats and yachts. 🏠 Jelgava, Pilssalas Street 6, +371 29242520, [www.jjk.ucoz.lv](http://www.jjk.ucoz.lv)
- Water bike and boat rent on Pasta island. 🏠 Jelgava, Pasta island 3, +371 28379193, 27713071
- Pasta island's boats – rental of canoes, boating routes. 🏠 Jelgava, Pasta island 3, +371 26761807, 26400888, [www.pastasalaslaivas.lv](http://www.pastasalaslaivas.lv)



- Pārlielupes pirtnieki – rental of canoes, boating routes. 🏠 Jelgava, Cukura Street 13, +371 22478286, 26370100, [www.parlielupespirtnieki.lv](http://www.parlielupespirtnieki.lv)

- Boat rental "Mučas" – tourist boat rental, boat trips. 🏠 Jelgava, +371 20205127, 28330963, [www.laivunoma.com](http://www.laivunoma.com)

### Voyages with a shiplot

Voyages on rivers Lielupe and Driksa, boat pier located on bank of river Driksa near Mītava bridge.

- Shiplot "Frīda" (9 seats). 🏠 +371 29486086
- Motor yacht "Carpe Diem" (7 seats). 🏠 +371 26434520
- Recreational vessel "Mītava" (40 seats). 🏠 +371 29511527, 22422997



### SUP board rental

SUP is new kind of sport, water tourism and active recreation. SUP it's like a big surfing board with wessels to move further. 🏠 Jelgava, the beach of Lielupe promenade, +371 25757555

### FlyBoard

Flyboard is a combination of jet ski power, wakeboard and acrobatic tricks. It is possible to fly up to 12 meters height above the water and enjoy the freedom of the flight. 🏠 Jelgava, Pilssalas Street 4, Jelgava's yacht club, +371 20690659



## Sports and Active Recreation

### Recreation and Sports Complex "Zemgale"

The recreation complex offers a wide range of entertainment and sports facilities – eight bowling lanes Brunswick, tennis courts, skate park, basketball field, beach volleyball play fields, a mini-football field and the Jelgava Ice Hall with a public skating-rink, hockey and curling. The complex has a hotel, café and a cocktail bar.

🏠 Jelgava, Rīgas Street 11, +371 63007700, 63007220, [www.skzemgale.lv](http://www.skzemgale.lv)



### Zemgale Olympic Center

The modern and multi-purpose sports complex was launched at the end of 2010. It is available for professional athletes and anyone who does sport to maintain their own physical health. The centre has a large area of 6 ha, on which various sports grounds, football and an athletics stadium, the European level BMX track, a multipurpose sports hall are built. Groups have the opportunity to book tours to the Olympic Center.

🏠 Jelgava, Kronvalda Street 24, +371 63020792, [www.zoc.lv](http://www.zoc.lv)

### Sports and Recreation Complex "Rullītis"

A great recreation, training, competitions and events venue, which gathers active lifestyle adherents, who love spending time in fresh air near Rullī reservoir. Active recreation lovers can enjoy riding on karts, try out Rullī wake park and play paintball.

🏠 Jelgava, Aku Road 1, +371 29589595, 28285633 (go-kart rental), 28496369 (paintball), 24949847 (wake park), [www.rullitis.lv](http://www.rullitis.lv)

### A-Z Bowling

A bowling hall with six professional bowling lanes Brunswick offers training in the basics of bowling, it is possible to rent bowling equipment. In cooperation with the café "Lielupe", events for children, anniversary celebrations are organized here.

🏠 Jelgava, Uzvaras Street 12, +371 29900888, [www.azboulings.lv](http://www.azboulings.lv)

### Health Centre "Fitland"

The health centre offers a gym, fitness classes, a SPA complex, a squash game.

🏠 Jelgava, Dobeles Road 7, +371 63023070, [www.fitland.lv](http://www.fitland.lv)

### Rafaero

Pleasure flights with a motor delta-glider.

🏠 Jelgava, +371 29112087

### Jelgava Tennis Centre

The tennis centre offers tennis games in the four fields under the roof throughout the year. There is an opportunity to learn the basics of tennis with professional trainers individually or in groups. The centre has a cafe, tennis equipment rental and a shop.

🏠 Jelgava, Lietuvas Highway 68a, +371 63028883

### Bike rental

- Pepijas Velomānija  
🏠 Rīgas Street 67, +371 29733112
- VeloNomo  
🏠 J.Čakstes boulevard 7, +371 28930302
- Hotel "Zemgale"  
🏠 Skautu Street 2, +371 63007707

### Flights with air-balloons

Watch the city of Jelgava and the surrounding landscapes from an air-balloon! The starting place is selected by matching the personal desires and respecting safety measures of flights. The most popular starting place is the meadow opposite the Jelgava Palace.

📞 +371 22098098, [www.balticballoon.lv](http://www.balticballoon.lv)

## For kids

### Children's recreation centre "Bossiks"

Indoor attractions for children under 10 years of age, in summers also in the outdoor area. An exciting place for tours for the first grade school children. The centre organizes children festive parties and has a café.

🏠 Jelgava, Pulkveža Brieža Street 4, +371 63022438, [www.bossiks.lv](http://www.bossiks.lv)

### Children's playgrounds

Smaller citizens of Jelgava and guests are delighted by specifically created playgrounds:

- Post island
- Ozolskvērs (the crossing of O. Kalpaka and Lielā streets),
- The Lielupe promenade (near Railway Bridge),
- Rainis Park (the crossing of Raiņa and Mātera streets),
- The square of Mātera street  
(the crossing of Mātera and Vaļņu streets)
- Near "Kanclera nams" (Katoļu street 7).

## Production\*

\*Tours are available for groups by booking in advance.

### Combined heat and power plant "Fortum"

Opened in autumn of 2013, the biomass combined heat and power plant in Jelgava is the largest and most modern of the CHP plants that uses renewable energy resources. A tour of the new factory will allow you to learn the principles of its operation and investment in energy saving.

🏠 Jelgava, Rūpniecības Street 73A, +371 29338491, [www.fortum.lv](http://www.fortum.lv)

### Printing-house "Jelgavas tipogrāfija"

Since 1996, the printing-office of Jelgava is a private company owned by Latvian entrepreneurs, specializing in small and medium-size print runs of high quality product manufacturing for both the Latvian and foreign market. Combining the traditions of Jelgava book printing and the accumulated experience, the company is experiencing a successful development. The printing office offers the opportunity to look at the process of making a book.

🏠 Jelgava, Langervaldes Street 1a, +371 63007480, [www.jt.lv](http://www.jt.lv)

### Ceramics plant "Keramika LV"

"Keramika LV" is the largest ceramics plant in the Baltic States, established in 1963. The company offers a guided tour to the production shop where you can watch the manufacturing process of stoneware, ranging from the mass of clay preparation up to the finished products. In the company's store, you can buy ceramic products at the producer prices.

🏠 Jelgava, Rīgas Street 67, +371 63022868, [www.keramika.lv](http://www.keramika.lv)

### Caramel workshop

An enterprise that produces handmade caramels with different ornaments in them. During an excursion it is possible to see the production process and make a caramel by yourself. You may buy tasty sweets at caramel shop.

🏠 Jelgava, Rūpniecības Street 1A, +371 29851426, [www.karameludarbница.lv](http://www.karameludarbница.lv)

### Metalworking Training Park of Zemgale Region Human Resources and Competences Development Centre

Metalworking Training Park of Zemgale Region Human Resources and Competences Development Centre offers an opportunity for school youth to get to know the state-of-the-art metalworking machines in Europe and modern working conditions in the sector of occupations and become a welder for a moment.

🏠 Jelgava, K. Barona Street 40, +371 26171465

### Plastic pipes manufacturer "Evopipes"

"Evopipes" is one of the most modern plastic pipe manufacturers in Europe and worldwide. The company manufactures products since 2008. During the tour, you can familiarize yourself with the functioning of the company and watch the process of pipe manufacturing.

🏠 Jelgava, Langervaldes Street 2a, +371 63094300, [www.evopipes.lv](http://www.evopipes.lv)





# JELGAVA COUNTY



## Facts

- Population – 26,150
  - Area – 1319 km<sup>2</sup>
  - By area – the largest municipality in the Zemgale region
  - The Jelgava county was established in 2009 by merging 13 parishes – Eleja, Glūda, Jaunsvirlaukas, Kalnciems, Lielplatone, Līvberze, Platone, Sesava, Svēte, Valgunde, Vilce, Vircava, and Zaļenieki parish
- [www.jelgavasnovads.lv](http://www.jelgavasnovads.lv)



## Zaļenieki (Green) Manor and Park

Zaļenieki manor's hunting residence is a unique architectural sample of the Duchy of Courland of the 18<sup>th</sup> century as the building is relatively well preserved, not burnt and damaged. From the historic interior, wall painting and parquet fragments, vaulted ceiling decorations have survived. Zaļenieki Commercial and Crafts Secondary School is located in the palace. An integral part of the manor ensemble is the park where the natural terrain and water bodies make up a romantic landscape. Exotic tree species are found in the park, a nature trail is created.

🏠 Jelgava county, Zaļenieki parish, +371 63074250, [www.zav.lv](http://www.zav.lv)

## Cultural History

### Manors and Parks

#### Blankenfelde Manor

The current manor buildings were built in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. The structure of the manor possesses a rare for Latvia galore of small architectural forms – the entrance gate, pavilions, the Rococo style iron wrought gate. France King-to-be Louis XVIII has twice found an asylum here – in 1804 and 1805. For centuries, the manor has carried out economic activities. The use of the black elderberry should be particularly noted, from the berries of which both juice and wine were produced. Currently, the owners of the manor have returned to these traditions. The manor has an English countryside classical style park where a 400 year old ash has found its place of honour, also called the Power ash. The manor stable hosts a bell museum with more than 1,000 bells from all over the world. By previous appointment it's possible to participate in porcelain bells painting workshop.

🏠 Jelgava county, Vilce parish, +371 27810348, [www.blankenfeldesmuiza.lv](http://www.blankenfeldesmuiza.lv)



#### Eleja Manor Park

The manor complex was designed in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century in the classical style according to the order of Count J. Medem. The buildings were burned down during the First World War in 1915. The manor manager's house, the theatre house, recently renewed teahouse and the ancient graveyard of barons have survived, but from the former majestic palace, only ruins have survived up to the present day. There is an open-air stage in the park, the main Jelgava county festivals are celebrated here. The legend says that the beautiful daughter of the Earl, Dagmar, due to an unhappy love jumped out of the upstairs window and died, but, on nights around the full moon, she can sometimes be seen walking in the park of the palace.

🏠 Jelgava county, Eleja parish, +371 26636195



#### Lielplatone Manor and Park

The 19<sup>th</sup> century manor belonged to the dynasty of Baron von Hahn, when the main building was built – the Lielplatone manor palace. The manor complex includes a large park and a number of outbuildings. Various stories and legends surround the history of the manor. The manor houses Lielplatone Primary School, a library and a tourist information board.

🏠 Jelgava county, Lielplatone parish, +371 26611468

#### Lielvircava Manor

The manor-house was built during the period from 1803 until 1808. It was built by Baron von Kloppmann, who in 1820 went bankrupt. Later, the family of von Hahn became the owners of the manor, the representatives of which lived there until the Agrarian Reform in 1920. Since 1924, the manor houses a school. Currently, rooms for events are available in the manor-house, an exhibition hall is open. Visitors can also learn about the everyday life in the manor and the 19<sup>th</sup> century costumes.

🏠 Jelgava county, Platone parish, Lielvircava, +371 26694637

#### Staļģene Manor

The manor complex as it is today was built in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century. The manor palace was built in 1797 in the classical style by architect Severin Jensen. In 1930ies, the building was adjusted to the needs of a school, an outbuilding was built. Currently, the building is the home of a preschool educational institution.

🏠 Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlauka parish, Staļģene, +371 29199324, 26383129

#### Vilce Manor and Park

The manor-house was built in the middle of the 18<sup>th</sup> century as a hunting residence of the family of Baron von Medem. In the early 19<sup>th</sup> century, it was rebuilt, by constructing the second floor. The entrance portal of the manor-house and marble moulding over it with the Medem – Kaizerlinger alliance's coat of arms is one of the most valuable 18<sup>th</sup> century art monuments of this type in Latvia. At the manor-house, there is a landscape park. Vilce Primary School and a tourist information board have found their home in the Vilce Manor.

🏠 Jelgava county, Vilce parish, +371 26351169, 26496829



#### Vircava Manor and Park

The manor complex was built between the 17<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries, it was designed by architect Severin Jensen. Vircava was a beloved suburban residence of the Duke of Courland Peter Biron. In 1919, when retreating from the city of Jelgava, the manor was burned down by the Bermontians. Since the 1920ies, the People's House has found its home in the barn of the manor. At the manor, a spacious Baroque style park is located. The best preserved building is the Chevalier House, which is currently the home of the Vircava Secondary School.

🏠 Jelgava county, Vircava parish, +371 63085984



## Sacral Architecture



### Līvērze Catholic Church

It is the only wooden church in Jelgava county, built in 1684. It used to be a Lutheran church, but since 1729, after the wedding of Baron von Lieven with a Polish aristocrat and adopting the Catholic faith, it is a Catholic church. The toll of the church bell cast by metal master G. Meier in 1683 can be still heard.

🏠 Jelgava county, Līvērze parish,  
+371 29413174

### Affiliate of Rīga St. Trinity Sergius Female Monastery in Valgunde (Valgunde Monastery)

The beginnings of the Orthodox female monastery in Valgunde dates back to 1894, when under the initiative of the sisters Mansurov, land was granted in the so-called Pustinka to establish an affiliate of Rīga Monastery. Here, you can see two churches and a chapel with a significant collection of icons. Currently, approximately fifty monastery sisters live here, practicing a way of life different from the modern world.

🏠 Jelgava county, Valgunde parish,  
+371 63085215, 63085244



### Lielvircava Lutheran Church

The oldest stone church in Jelgava county, built in 1595 and funded by the owner of Lielvircava Manor – Baron von Kloppmann. The church was destroyed during the Second World War, after the war, a mortuary was constructed. In 1975, the interior elements and values of art were taken to the Rundale Palace Museum. In 1992, renovation works of the building were carried out. The burial place of Juris Alunāns, the initiator of the Young Latvians movement, is located at the cemetery near the church.

🏠 Jelgava county, Platone parish,  
+371 63086129, 26547117

### Staļģene Holy Virgin Mary Church (Amber Chapel)

A church for all regardless of creeds, opened in 1998. The small church was built on the basis of funding donated in Germany, its altar is decorated with an amber cross. In front of the chapel, a monument is built to the Latvian and German soldiers killed during the Second World War.

🏠 Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlaukas parish, Šauvas,  
+371 29199324

### Zaļenīki Lutheran Church

The Zaļenīki Lutheran Church was built around 1571 in accordance with the order of the Duke Gotthard Kettler in the place of a Catholic chapel. The construction of the present stone church building was completed in 1872. The old pipe organ constructed by P.K. Hermanis in 1862 has survived in the church. The church tower bell, cast in 1930, is the biggest bell in Jelgava county. In the church's graveyard, a gravestone of Andrejs Stērste, a member of the Young Latvians movement, is located.

🏠 Jelgava county, Zaļenīki parish,  
+371 63086770, 20203077

### Sesava Lutheran Church

The stone church was built in 1633 to replace the original wooden church. The church was substantially rebuilt between 1855 and 1859, when it acquired the current appearance. In the church, you can see J. Döring's altar painting "The Ascension of Christ" (1860), a playable organ with 25 registers.

🏠 Jelgava county, Eleja parish,  
+371 29247084

## Historical Sites and Events



### Tīsi Missile Base

The ballistic nuclear missiles were located in the Tīsi base from 1963 until 1980. Today, a guided underground tour and access to rocket launcher mines is offered. You can also see the former reserve rocket hangar, the army basement, the control-pass point and the water treatment plant. It is possible to combine the tour with extreme sport games as a young guard survival route is set up in the base area.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Lielplatone parish,  
+371 29652698

### The Christmas Battles Museum "Mangaļi"

The Christmas Battles were the Russian army's largest military operation in the Riga front line in the First World War. About 9000 Latvian Riflemen were killed, wounded or missing in the Christmas battles. A museum has found its home at "Mangaļi", displaying an exhibition about the Christmas battles and a maquette of battles. You can view here an authentic reconstruction of a military fortification line of the German army. Near the museum, a 7.2 meters long walking path begins, here it is possible to get to know historical facts about battles and see battle items.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Valgunde parish,  
+371 67228147, 28349259,  
www.karamuzejs.lv



### Monument to the Liberators of Jelgava at Svēte Primary School

The monument is erected in honour of the Daugavgrīva Civil Guards, who in 1915 stopped the German army's attack to Jelgava.

🏠 Jelgava county, Svēte parish

### Ložmetējkalns (Machine-gun hill) in Tīrelpurvs

Tīrelpurvs and Ložmetējkalns are some of the best preserved First World War fortifications in Europe. There you can see the memorial sites of the legendary Christmas battles of 1916: Russian and German trenches, memorial stones in the starting position of the Latvian Riflemen regiments, memorial signs in the rupture places on the front line. Over the years, it has become a symbol and commemorative of the heroism of Latvian Riflemen. For the convenience of visitors, resting places are set up and a 27-meter high view tower is erected here.

🏠 Jelgava county, Valgunde parish

### Family House of Ģederts Eliass "Zilēni"

Ģederts Eliass (1887-1975) is one of the most outstanding Latvian painters, a master of realism, born at the house "Zilēni" of Platone parish. A small exhibition presents the Eliass family, you can view a series of the artist's painting replicas. Next to the home, grows the greatest ash-tree in the Baltics.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Platone parish,  
+371 26547117

### Monuments to Mūrmuiža Battle and at the Burial Place of Swedish Soldiers Killed in the Battle of 1705

On July 16, 1705, during the Great Northern War, the Mūrmuiža battle took place in Vilce parish, in which the Swedish army won the invading Russian army. In 1935, a monument was erected with inscriptions in Latvian and Swedish at the site of the Mūrmuiža battle, but in 1991 a monument was erected in the burial place of the killed Swedish soldiers on the bank of the Svēte River.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Vilce parish, Mūrmuiža





## Nature



### Vilce Nature Park

In the vast area of the nature park, you can enjoy both the values of the natural and cultural history. From Vilce Manor, the Baron trail starts that leads up to the Vilce castle mound and the viewing platform, from which sandstone outcrops on the banks of the Rukūze River are visible. A pedestrian bridge over the Vilce River takes you to the Hare meadow where a landscaped recreation area and an area for camping sites are set up.

🏠 Jelgava county, Vilce parish,  
+371 26351169, 26496829

### The most significant noble trees in Jelgava county

- **Potēni oak** – Jelgava county, Glūda parish, near Potēni house; girth – 5.50 m, height – 20 m.
- **Zemgale oak** – Jelgava county, Glūda parish, girth – 5.00 m, height – 16 m.
- **Zīlēni (Ģederts Eliass) ash** – Jelgava county, Platone parish; It is the largest and most powerful ash in Latvia and with the largest diameter in the Baltics, girth – 5.70 m, height – 20 m.
- **Mazzvīguļi linden-tree** – Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, between the road Kalnciems – Rīga and the Lielupe river, approximately 2 km from Tīreļi, in the yard of the house Mazzvīguļi; girth – 5.30 m.
- **Blankenfelde ash** – Jelgava county, Vilce parish, in the territory of Blankenfelde Manor; the ash is over 370 years old, and, as the legend tells, the gold of the manor is buried under the tree roots; girth – 4.40 m.
- **Blankenfelde elm** – Jelgava county, Vilce parish, the territory of Blankenfelde Manor; girth – 4.40 m and 4.50 m.
- **Zaļenieki oak** – Jelgava county, Zaļenieki parish; girth – 5.00 m, height – 22 m.



### Ķemeri moorland – Ķemeri National Park

The Ķemeri National Park was established in 1997. A significant part of the national park is occupied by the Ķemeri moorland, which is also partly included in the Valgunde parish of Jelgava county. Going out on the moorland with a knowledgeable tour guide, you can learn more about the diversity of bogs, discover the raised bog recovery processes and the intact raised bog.

🏠 Jelgava county, Valgunde parish

### Zaļenieki Nature Park

There are walking trails through the park of Zaļenieki Manor and information stands are placed, telling you about the values of nature, a recreation site is set up here. You can find a number of noteworthy species of trees and shrubs here, it is one of the least altered historic manor parks in Jelgava county.

🏠 Jelgava county, Zaļenieki parish, +371 29550846

### Nature Trail Nākotne

The nature trail on the bank of the Auce river 1.5 km in length with recreation sites and a swimming place. Opportunity to watch birds, a great place for anglers.

🏠 Jelgava county, Glūda parish, Nākotne

### Landscaped recreation places near water

- On the bank of the Lielupe river, at Staļģene, Jaunsvirlaukas parish of Jelgava county.
- Near Apiņi bridge, on the bank of the Svēte river, Līvberze parish, Jelgava county.

There are boat docks, tables and campfire places.

### Nature Park “Svētes Paliene” (Svēte Flood-land)

The nature park area is the major significant migratory waterfowl summer resting and feeding place of Zemgale in the flood-land meadows of the Svēte River. In appropriate conditions, you have the chance to see several thousands of birds. It's best to visit this place together with a knowledgeable connoisseur of birds – an ornithologist.

🏠 Jelgava county, Līvberze and Valgunde parish



## Culture, Entertainment, Sports

### Culture and People's Houses

Information about culture and people's houses, ref. Section “Seminar and conference rooms” and [www.jelgavasnovads.lv](http://www.jelgavasnovads.lv)

### Tour farms

#### Ostrich Farm “Mazzariņi”

In the ostrich farm, you can get acquainted with specimens of African ostrich species and get in-depth information on the largest birds on the planet. Booking in advance.

🏠 Jelgava county, Glūda parish,  
+371 29134788, 26702347

#### Nursery “Dimzas”

The arboretum and nursery visit, acquisition of small saplings, advice on greening.

🏠 Jelgava county, Platone parish,  
+371 26528108, 29217829,  
[www.dimzas.lv](http://www.dimzas.lv)

#### Nursery “Zaļenieki”

One of the largest nurseries in Latvia, founded in 1995. Its area – 18 ha. The nursery offers self-produced, high-quality plants appropriate to the Latvian climate. If booked in advance, it is possible to visit the arboretum and the nursery, get acquainted with the small sapling offer.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Zaļenieki parish,  
+371 29410756, 63074444,  
[www.zalenieki.lv](http://www.zalenieki.lv)

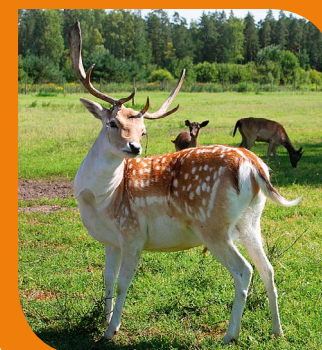


#### Mini zoo “At uncle's Garik”

The home farm offers a look at a small animal collection. Exotic, wild and domestic animals feel good here.

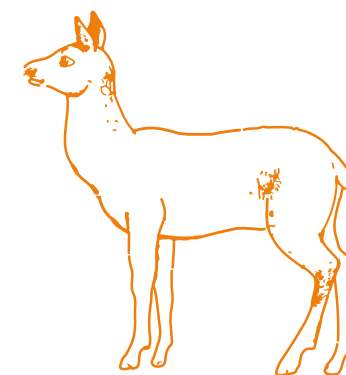
🏠 Jelgava county,  
Valgunde parish, “Kulbiņas”  
+371 29625229, 22837247

### Deer Garden “Buku audzētava”



In “Buku audzētava” you may get acquainted with breeding of wild animals – red deer, fallow-deer and mouflons in fenced areas. During guided tours, you can learn amazing facts about animal breeding and see animal horns.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Valgunde parish,  
+371 29191980, 63027751,  
[www.bukuaudzetava.lv](http://www.bukuaudzetava.lv)





## Sports and Active Recreation

### Recreation Complex "Grantiņi"

For the feeling of comfort of vacations, picnic sites, camping cabins, a shower house, a kitchen house and children's amusement area are available.

Active recreation and sport lovers can play football, volleyball, badminton, angle, ride rowboats and water cycles. During the summer season Café is working.

🏠 Jelgava county, Svēte parish,  
+371 28602267, [www.granticamp.lv](http://www.granticamp.lv)

### LLC "Baltijas Helikopters"

Unique possibility to see the most beautiful Zemgale's palaces from above by flying in helicopter.

🏠 Jelgavas county, Glūdas parish,  
Nākotne, "Industriālais parks",  
+371 26673366, 67185771,  
[www.helikopters.lv](http://www.helikopters.lv)

### Valgunde Sports Hall

A hall (~ 800 m<sup>2</sup>) for volleyball, basketball, football, floorball, table tennis, novus, gym are available.

🏠 Jelgava county, Valgunde parish,  
Kalnciems Secondary School,  
+371 25608892



### Horse riding

• "Reinas zirgi" – horse riding tours, ride in a horse-drawn cart or sledge. 🏠 Jelgava county, Lielplatone parish, +371 26378639

• "Bērziņi" – horse riding, equestrian training, winter outings with sledge. 🏠 Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, +371 63085275, 26462593

• "Stallis Ormaņi" – horse and pony riding in the forest or in a specially designed circle through the meadows and pastures. 🏠 Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, Tīreļi, +371 29189509

### Staļģene Secondary School Sports Hall

Hall for volleyball, basketball, football, floorball, gym. Accommodation for 30 persons, catering options.

🏠 Jelgava County, Jaunsvirlauka Parish,  
Staļģene Secondary School, +371 26442980

## For kids

### Paramilitary obstacle course at Tīsi missile base

In the territory of the former missile base, an obstacle course is set up for school youth and youth to improve physical preparedness. Youth guard trainings take place there on a regular basis, it is possible to organize sporting events.

🏠 Jelgava county, Lielplatone parish, +371 29652698

### Recreation Complex "Viesu Līči"

A complete holiday for families with children in the outdoor playground, where a wide variety of attractions are offered. A delicious meal at the café "Zemnieka cienasts", a cosy overnight stay and a bath are offered. You may go on outings with the shiplet "Frīda".

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Jaunsvirlauka parish,  
+371 63058443, 29204514,  
[www.lici.lv](http://www.lici.lv)

### A place for active recreation and sports "Līgotnes"

A nice place for outdoor recreation, sports activities or events for families with children, school youth and groups of friends. A children's playground, tennis courts, street-ball and beach volleyball courts.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Svēte parish, "Līgotnes",  
+371 26399946, 28660603

## Production

### Peat extraction company "Laflora"

LTD "Laflora" is one of the largest peat extraction companies in Latvia, it has been in operation since 1995. The company runs three peatlands with a total surface area of 1,800 ha. "Laflora" specializes in the production of horticultural peat and peat substrate. Interested people can book a tour.

🏠 Jelgava county, Līvberze parish, Kaigi Peat Bog, +371 29182962, [www.laflora.lv](http://www.laflora.lv)

## Food artisans

### Bakery "Svētes maize"

The company manufactures organic bread and pastries. Bread is naturally fermented and baked in fire wood stoves. It is possible to order different products, watch how the bread of Svēte is baked and bake bread yourself.

🏠 Jelgava county, Svēte parish,  
+371 20001818, [www.svetesmaize.lv](http://www.svetesmaize.lv)



### Mālkalnu cheese

The Mālkalnu family farm offers taste and purchase at least seven types of cheese made from the milk of cows raised on the farm.

🏠 Jelgava county, Sesava parish, "Blūdži",  
+371 27114820

### Blankenfelde Manor

Historically, in Blankenfelde manor people dealt with agriculture and manufacturing. Since 2011, the Blankenfelde traditions are continued – from the nature's gifts grown at the manor, several types of juice and the black elderberry syrup, as well as delicious pickles and canned goods are manufactured. It is possible to see the manufacturing process in person and taste the products by booking in advance.

🏠 Jelgava county, Vilce parish,  
+371 27810348, 63086606 (in the summer period),  
[www.blankenfeldesmuiza.lv](http://www.blankenfeldesmuiza.lv)

### Mint house

Cozy little house has everything related to mint – smell, taste, and stories which will warm and cheer you up in this cold weather. Natural products of mint are produced here – various mint teas, syrups, powders, soaps, and much more. Hostess Lolita will show you around and help to try out everything.

🏠 Jelgava county, Vilce parish, "Terēni",  
+371 26394062, 29473042

## Arts and Crafts\*

### Ceramic Workshop – Craft Centre at Svēte

Practical lessons in the potter's craft, it is possible to participate or watch the process.

🏠 Jelgava county, Svēte parish,  
Lielsvētes Street 18/8,  
+371 26003899

### Applied Art Studio "Staļģene"

Participation and watching the weaving process, watching professional weavers at work, the opportunity to participate in the process.

🏠 Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlauka parish, Staļģene, "Upeskrasti",  
+371 28674293

\*Visits by applying in advance

### Craft Centre "Jaunlīdumi"

Lessons in leather processing and woodworking, it is possible to participate or watch the process.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Jaunsvirlaukas parish,  
Dzirnieki, +371 26383129,  
29199324

### Craft Centre "Līve" of the Folk Studio of Applied Arts

Participation and watching the weaving process, watching professional weavers at work, the opportunity to participate in the process. Beading workshop.

🏠 Jelgava county, Līvberze parish, Jelgavas Street 4a,  
+371 26749894

### Woodwork Workshop "Amatnieki"

Woodcarver, wood turner, cooper, carpenter, restorer works.

An opportunity to participate in basket-making process, visit the exhibition and purchase products.

🏠 Jelgava county,  
Sesava parish, +371 26892959



# OZOLNIEKI COUNTY

## Facts

- Population – over 10 500
  - Area: – 286 km<sup>2</sup>
  - Ozolnieki county was established in 2003, merging Ozolnieki and Cenas parishes, but in 2009 Salgale (up to 2011 Sidrabene) parish was joined
- [www.ozolnieki.lv](http://www.ozolnieki.lv)

## Cultural History

### Museums and Exhibitions

#### Memorial Museum of Jānis Čakste “Auči”

The Ozolnieki county can boast of the first Republic of Latvia's President Jānis Čakste family house “Auči”, located in the parish of Salgale. This house has a special aura that allows you to organize thoughts and regain peace of mind. A museum, dedicated to the President and his family, has found its home in part of the house.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish, +371 26392154

#### Memorial House of Edvarts Virza and Elza Stērste “Billītes”

For many years, the Latvian poet E. Virza and his wife, the poet E. Stērste, lived at “Billītes”. In the present appearance, the house was rebuilt in the late 30s of the 20<sup>th</sup> century by the project of the producer Eduards Smiļģis. At “Billītes”, the major works of E. Virza are written, of which the most notable is the poem “Straumēni”.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish, +371 29299790



#### Ozolnieki Motor Sports Exhibition

The most significant part of the exhibition is a sport motorcycle collection, which exhibits vehicles produced starting from 1925. In the exhibition, costumes of motor sportsmen, awards, flags, literature on motorcycles, leaflets and posters about motor sport competitions are displayed.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Ozolnieki, Jelgavas Street 35, +371 26751108, 63022602

#### History Exhibition of Ozolnieki County

The exhibition focuses on the historical parish of Ozolnieki originally formed as a land reclamation village. The exhibit tells of the inhabitant's contribution to the development of the municipality's economy and culture, starting from the 18<sup>th</sup> century.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Ozolnieki, Rīgas Street 29, +371 29478678, 29132901



## Sacral Architecture

### Salgale Lutheran Church and the old church ruins

In the early 18<sup>th</sup> century, a church was built in Salgale parish, the construction of which was financially supported by Duke Ferdinand. The ornate carvings made it one of the most beautiful rural churches of the Duchy of Courland and Semigallia. The church was destroyed at the end of the Second World War in 1944 and it is not restored. The old wall can be seen 4 km away from Emburga, on the right bank of the river Lielupe. The new church in Emburga was built in 2001.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish, Emburga, +371 63056232



### Dalbe Lutheran Church

In 1869, a stone church with a tower was built according to the project of Nikolay Gusevich, an architect of the Russian province. The Bell tower bell is cast in 1927. This church building has survived to the present day. Before that, there were four wooden churches at Dalbe. On 19 September 1926, the altarpiece by August Annus “Christ blessing children” was consecrated.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Dalbe, +371 28378341

## Historical Places and Events



### Vareļi Monument

The monument is dedicated to 14 cadets of the Latvia Military School killed in the fights against the Bermontians in November of 1919.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish



### Monument to the Fallen Soldiers of Riga Infantry Regiment No. 6

The monument is dedicated to the killed soldiers of Riga Infantry Regiment No. 6 and the missing soldiers in the battles against the Bermontians.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish



### Memorial Stone to Land Reclamation

Ozolnieki has been a village of drainage engineers, so here's a memorial stone is set up dedicated to land reclamation.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Ozolnieki



### Tetele Tower and Park

On the bank of the Lielupe river, near today's Tetele Primary School, in the former Tetelminde manor park, a romantic rubble tower is built. It was built in the second half of the 19<sup>th</sup> century as artificial ruins. Today, the tower has been restored and viewable from the outside.

📍 Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Tetele



## Nature



### Ozolnieki Lake

The reservoir created after the recultivation of the clay career in 1978. For vacations convenience, the reservoir lakeside is landscaped, reconstruction of the neighbourhood of Ozolnieki Lake took place in 2013, constructing a biking and pedestrian walkway around the whole water body. It has become a popular recreation and swimming place.

### Major noble trees at Ozolnieki

- **Rubeņi oak** – Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, next to Mežrubeņi house.
- **Garozā (Senči) oak** – Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish, next to Garoza Primary School.
- **Horse-chestnut, maple, larches, maple, black alder, linden alley** in the Tetele school park Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish.
- **Aučī Thuja, horse chestnut** – Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish, in the park of the Memorial Museum of Jānis Čakste “Auči”.
- **Billītes horse chestnut, walnut** – Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish, in the garden of the Memorial House of Edvards Virza and Elza Stērste “Billītes”.

### Fishing

“Sudrablīcis” – commercial fishing, camping sites, boat rental, surfing.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Brankas, +371 63055156, 29183711

“Atpūta Ozolniekos” – commercial fishing, overnight stay, rooms for celebrations.

🏠 Ozolnieki, Eglaines Street 17, +371 26052867, 29514863

## Culture, Recreation, Sports

### Culture

#### Āne Culture House

A diverse range of concerts, theatrical performances, cultural groups have found their home in the people's house.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Āne, Celtnieku Street 12b, +371 63048184

#### Āne Youth Initiative Centre

In the centre, you may organize seminars, play table tennis, novus, billiards, do sports in the gym.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Āne, Celtnieku Street 12, +371 29482315



#### Ozolnieki People's House

Ozolnieki People's House is located in a historical building, which was built in 1939 as a parish house of Ozolnieki. Cultural events, theatrical performances, various cultural groups have found their home in the people's house.

🏠 Ozolnieki, Rīgas Street 23, +371 63050144

## Tour farms

### Zoo “Lauku sēta” (“Farmstead”)

The small rural zoo invites you to visit ponies, donkeys, dwarf sheep, dwarf goats, dwarf pigs, llamas and a mule, rabbits, birds and fish. A suitable place for school youth tours, you may arrange a picnic in “Dwarf paradise”.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Jaunaudzes, +371 27171712, [www.zoolaukuseta.lv](http://www.zoolaukuseta.lv)

### The World of Garlic

Mistress Antra learned different recipes on how to make interesting products from garlic. Here you can taste garlic tea, powder, pickled garlic flowers, and sweet lovers will get the chance to try delicious garlic caramel.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Cenu parish, Dalbe, Priežu Street 8, +371 29206015

### Stud farm “Princis”

Pony and horse riding, visiting horses, equestrian training.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Brankas, +371 26563936, 20206039

### Goat farm “Līcīši”

The farm was established in 1992. It is one of the largest goat breeding and goat milk production farms in Latvia. Here, surrounded by the Misa river and a forest, around 100 goats and billy-goats have found their home. You can sign up for a tasting of milk products.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Līcīši, +371 26537993, [www.licisi.lv](http://www.licisi.lv)



### Arboretum “Bētras”

The arboretum offers a large selection of fruit-tree and berry bush varieties of great choices and the best seedlings. Tours of the arboretum, consultations.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish, +371 28662847, 29494883, [www.betras.lv](http://www.betras.lv)

## Sports and Active Recreation



### Ozolnieki Sports Centre

The sport centre can deal with diverse sporting activities – open tennis courts, a skate park with five elements, three streetball courts, two beach volleyball courts are available. You can use the gym, play table tennis or novus. In the sports centre, there is also a football pitch and a hotel.

🏠 Ozolnieki, Stadiona Street 5, +371 63050516



### Health Trail and Artificial Hill

In Ozolnieki, a 500 meters long health trail with open-air gym gear, but in the winter – a 2.5 km long ski route with slopes and the amazing Artificial Hill.



### Ozo Hall

The ice-hall at Ozolnieki offers mass skating, skating with hockey-sticks, ice space rental, equipment rental.

🏠 Ozolnieki county, Stadiona Street, 5b, +371 63050615, 26604863, [www.ozohalle.lv](http://www.ozohalle.lv)



# Tourist Services

in Jelgava City, Jelgava County and Ozolnieki County

## Accommodation

### Hotels, motels

**"Jelgava"** (70 beds) Café, banquet hall, conference rooms, sauna, steam bath, Turkish sauna. Jelgava, Lielā Street 6, +371 63026193, 63023349, [www.hoteljelgava.lv](http://www.hoteljelgava.lv)

**"Zemgale"\*\*\*\*** (78) Café, conference halls, bowling, tennis, sports courts, skate park, ice-hall. Jelgava, Rīgas Street 11, +371 63007707, [www.skzemgale.lv](http://www.skzemgale.lv)

**Hotel Dianda** (20) Café, sauna, pool, conference hall, place for tents. Jelgava, Atmodas Street 9, +371 63082979

**"Akva"** (54) Banquet hall, conference hall, gym, café, parking lot, swimming place. Two summer cottages for events for 10-15 persons. Jelgava, Birzes Street 49, +371 63023444

**"Agate Hotel"** (50) Catering, banquet hall for 40 pers., terrace, free parking. Ozolnieki County, Ozolnieki, Skolas Street 16, +371 63013527, 28684473, [www.agatehotel.lv](http://www.agatehotel.lv)

**Ozolnieki Sports Centre** (30) Gym, hairdresser's, gym, stadium, table tennis, novus, sauna, pool, party room for up to 50 persons. Ozolnieki, Stadiona Street 5, +371 63050516, 26440373

**"Senlīči"** (33) Cafe 100 m - "Zemnieka cienasts", children's playground, trip with boat "Frīda". Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlauka parish, "Senlīči", +371 20007065, [www.senlici.lv](http://www.senlici.lv)

**Blankenfelde manor** (8) Breakfast, park, bell museum, tastings. Jelgava county, Vilce parish, Blankenfelde manor, +371 27810348

### Youth travels accommodation

**The 8<sup>th</sup> hostel** (112). Kitchen. Jelgava, Lielā Street 19, +371 63028534, 29174995

**"Universitāte"** (60), Sauna, party room for up to 40 persons. Jelgava, A. Pumpura Street 7, +371 63024689, [www.hostel.llu.lv](http://www.hostel.llu.lv)

**Zaļenieki Commercial and Crafts Secondary School hotel** (150) Seminar and conference rooms in Green Manor, tour around the manor. Jelgava county, Zaļenieki parish, +371 63074250, 29433918, [www.zav.lv](http://www.zav.lv)

**Cultural and Sports Centre "Jaunlīdumi"** (50) Seminar hall, gym and sports hall. Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlaukas parish, Dzirnietki, +371 29199324

**Latvian Rural Advisory and Training Centre, office hotel** (50) Seminar rooms, cafe, kitchen. Ozolnieki, Rīgas Street 34, +371 22018583, 63050220, [www.llkc.lv](http://www.llkc.lv)

**Āne Youth Initiative Centre Hostel** (21) Seminar room for up to 30 pers., gym room, kitchen, shower room. Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Āne, Celtnieku Street 12, +371 29409478

### Rural, guest houses

**"Viesu Līči"** (20) children's amusement park, café, bakery, party room for up to 150 persons, camping sites, countryside bathhouse, trailer sites with connections. Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlauka parish, +371 63058443, 29204514, [www.lici.lv](http://www.lici.lv)

**"Aitiņlauvas"** (19) Seminar room for up to 50 persons, bistro, restaurant, sauna, children's playground and wildlife garden. Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, +371 29160393, [www.aitinlauvas.lv](http://www.aitinlauvas.lv)

**"Gošivs"** (35) Overnight stay, party rooms for 25 and 100 persons, Russian bath, swimming pool, gym and playground, barbecue and camping sites, fishing, quadricycle rental. Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, +371 28763700, 29255931, [www.gosivs.lv](http://www.gosivs.lv)



**"Guntmārītes"** (15) Bath, party room for up to 30 persons, overnight stay, camping sites, picnic site, swimming place, children's playground, campfire site. Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, +371 26164173, 29444859, [www.guntmarites.lv](http://www.guntmarites.lv)

**"Upenieki Manor"** (80) Party room for up to 100 persons, sauna, swimming pool, catering. Jelgava county, Līvberze parish, +371 63086344, 26590664, [www.upeniekumuiza.precos.lv](http://www.upeniekumuiza.precos.lv)

**"Zaļie atvari"** (60) Party rooms for 30 to 120 persons, bath with pool, camping cabins, playground, camping sites, swimming place. Jelgava county, Līvberze parish, +371 29488465, 29353208, [www.zalieatvari.lv](http://www.zalieatvari.lv)

**"Jaundobeļi"** (60), banquet rooms for up to 120 persons, kitchen, grill, Russian bath, pool. Jelgava county, Līvberze parish, +371 29157311, 29521421, [www.jaundobeli.lv](http://www.jaundobeli.lv)

**"Pūtelkrogs"** (20) Cafe, banquet room for 40 and 70 persons, bath, children's playground. Jelgava county, Zaļenieki parish, +371 63011900, 29255010, [www.puteli.lv](http://www.puteli.lv)

**"Kaupēna dzirnavas"** (15) Guest house near a lake, not far from Tērvete Nature Park, party room for 30 persons, sauna, camping cabins, paintball, horse riding. Jelgava county, Zaļenieki parish, +371 29263768, 26551259

**"Upmaļi"** (20) Banquet hall for 30 persons, Russian bath, catering, billiards, camping sites, boats, commercial fishing. Jelgava county, Vilce parish, +371 63061044, 29237149, [www.upmali.lv](http://www.upmali.lv)

**"Āne Manor"** (70) Guest house, bath house, party rooms for 60 and 100 persons, swimming place, picnic site,

tennis court, beach volleyball and football field, streetball court, table tennis, novus, boats. Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Āne, +371 26483712, [www.anesmuiza.lv](http://www.anesmuiza.lv)

**"Skalbes"** (12) Guest room for up to 25 persons, sauna, steam bath, jacuzzi. Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, +371 29103477, [www.bbbeate.lv](http://www.bbbeate.lv)

**"Galzemji"** (80) Party rooms for 30 and 50 persons, sauna, pool, open-air fire place, pond. Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlauka parish, +371 29188408

### Campings, tent sites

**Camping "Grantiņi"** Cafe, party room for up to 50 persons, boat and paddle boat rental, camping cabins, picnic and tent sites, sports and children's playgrounds. Guarded territory, convenient parking lot. Jelgava county, Svēte parish, +371 28602267, [www.grantinicamp.lv](http://www.grantinicamp.lv)

**"Viesu Līči"** Trailer sites with connections, tent sites, countryside bath, children's amusement park, café. Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlauka parish, +371 63058443, 29204514, [www.lici.lv](http://www.lici.lv)

**"Zaķu pļava"** Landscaped place of recreation on the Vilce castle mound, nature trails, swings, hare sculpture. Jelgava county, Vilce parish, +371 26517125

**"Kaijas"** Boat rentals, fishing, bath, campfire site. Jelgava county, Platone parish, +371 26010089

**"Smiltiņi"** Angling, bird watching, campfire sites. Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, Tīreļi, +371 29189509

**"Šalkoņi"** Tent sites, swimming place, connected to electricity. Ozolnieki county, Salgale parish, "Šalkoņi", +371 29477317



## Cafés and Restaurants

### Jelgava

**Restaurant "La Tour de Marie"** Akadēmijas Street 1, +371 63081392, 28837731, www.bcconsulting.lv

**Family restaurant "Hercogs"**  
K. Barona Street 3, +371 63024188, 26134333, www.hercogs.lv

**Bistro "Silva"** Driksas Street 7/9, +371 63084899, 29266586, www.bistrosilva.lv

**Tea house "Silva"** Pilssalas Street 2a, +371 22119119

**Pizza restaurant "Tami Tami"** Lielā Street 19a, +371 26633433, 29283252, www.tamitami.lv

**Bar-restaurant "Plate"** Lielā Street 6, +371 63029748, 29225918, www.hoteljelgava.lv

**Café "Istaba"** J. Čakstes Boulevard 7, +371 63025909, 29507108

**Café – cocktail bar "Chocolate & Pepper"**  
K. Barona Street 6, +371 63010220, www.choco-pepper.lv

**Restaurant "Madara"** Lielā Street 22, +371 63027012

**Café "Pie mednieka"** Vecpilsētas Street 19, +371 63028528

**Café "Ceplis"** Lielā Street 49, +371 63024726

**Coffee & Wine gallery** Lielā Street 14, +371 26633703, 29320268

**Café "Čop – čop"** Akadēmijas Street 4, +371 22088552

**Café "Gustus"** Akadēmijas Street 1, +371 26691239, www.gustus.lv

**Bistro "Otto"** Lielā Street 17, +371 26661151, www.saltums.lv

**Bar "Saules krogs"** K. Barona Street 6, +371 29224155, 29740454

**Restaurant-pizzeria "Čili Pica"** Katoļu Street 7, Mall "Kanclera nams", +371 63025511, www.cili.lv

**Restaurant-pizzeria "Čili Pica"** Mall "Valdeka", Rīgas Street 11a, +371 63045555, www.cili.lv

**Pizzeria "CanCan Pizza"** Driksas Street 4, +371 29501882, 22066666, www.cancan.lv

**"Picu darbnīca"** Rīgas Street 1, +371 20003993, www.picudarbna.lv

**"Fontaine Delisnack"** Pasta Street 45, +371 20004466, www.fontaineriga.lv



**Restaurant "McDonald's"** Brīvības Boulevard 1, +371 63020166, 26468158, www.mcdonalds.lv

**Restaurant "Hesburger"** Katoļu Street 10B, +371 25911221, www.hesburger.lv

**Restaurant "Hesburger"** Loka Highway 2a, +371 26480302, www.hesburger.lv

### Jelgava County

**Café "Zemnieka cienasts"** Jaunsvirlaukas parish, +371 63058443, 20455402, www.lici.lv

**Restaurant –bistro "Aitiņlauvas"** Valgundes parish, +371 29160393, www.aitinlauvas.lv

**Café "Sapnis"** Jaunsvirlaukas parish, Staļģene, +371 29165412, 26637101, www.satevi.lv

**Café "Pūtelkrogs"** Zaļenieku parish, +371 63011900, 29255010, www.puteli.lv

**Café "Piramīda"** Bauskas Steet 3, Eleja, +371 26866206

### Ozolnieki County

**Restaurant "Agate Hotel"** Skolas Street 16, Ozolnieki, +371 25661811, www.agatehotel.lv

**Café "Centrs"** Rīgas Street 34, Ozolnieki, +371 63020070, 26532338

**Restaurant–bar "Meka"** Stadiona Steet 5a, Ozolnieki, +371 63050162, 29121214, www.meka.lv

**Café shish-kebab house "Talisman"**  
Rīgas Steet 20, Ozolnieki, +371 27873733

**"Ozo bar"** Stadiona Steet 5b, Ozolnieki, +371 26234881, 63050615

## Seminar and Conference Rooms\*

\* Seminar and conference rooms also in the section "Accommodation"

**Holy Trinity Church Tower of Jelgava** (40 seats) in Jelgava, Akadēmijas Street 1, +371 63005445, 63005447, www.tornis.jelgava.lv

**Jelgava Palace** (50-500 seats) Jelgava, Lielā Street 2, +371 63005617, 63005655, www.llu.lv

**Zemgale Region Competence Development Centre** (15; 30; 50; 200 seats) Svētes Street 33, Jelgava, +371 63082101, www.zrkac.lv

**Zemgale Olympic Centre** (25; 80 seats) Jelgava, Kronvalda Street 24, +371 63020793, 20365713, www.zoc.lv

**Fashion house "Tēma"** (50 places) Jelgava, Elektriības Street 5a, +371 29137893, www.tema-mode.lv

**Jelgava History and Art Museum named after Ģ. Eliass** (50 seats) Akadēmijas Street 10, Jelgava, +371 63023383, www.jvmm.lv

**Bistro "Silva"** (120 seats) Driksas Street 7/9, Jelgava, +371 63084899, 29266586, www.bistrosilva.lv

**Education, Culture and Sports Centre "Avoti"** (50, 200 seats) Jelgava county, Valgunde, Nova. Saules Street 2, +371 63085295, 28612076

**Education and Activity Centre "Līdumi"** (27; 200 seats) Jelgava county, Jaunsvirlaukas parish, Staļģene, +371 29199324

**Vilce People's House** (30; 250 seats) Jelgava county, Vilce parish, +371 63061081, 29383060

**Vircava People's House** (30; 300 seats) Jelgava county, Vircava parish, +371 20386462

**Zaļenieki Manor** (30; 100 seats) Jelgava county, Zaļenieki parish, +371 63074250, 29433918, www.zav.lv

**Zaļenieki Culture House** (60; 250 seats) Jelgava county, Zaļenieki, +371 27231143

**Ozolnieki People's House** (30; 150 seats) Ozolnieki, Rīgas Street 23, +371 63050144, 26525350

**Latvian Rural Advisory and Training Centre** (30; 40 seats) Rīgas Street 34, Ozolnieki, +371 63050220, 26400224, www.llkc.lv

**Āne Culture House** (100 seats) Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, Āne, Celnieku Street 12b, +371 26121516

## Rooms for Festivities and Saunas\*

\* Rooms for parties and bathhouses also in the section "Accommodation"

**"Pārlielupes pirtnieki"** bath rituals for 1–2 pers., bathrooms, pond. Cukura Street 13, +371 26370100

**Dalbe bathhouse** Sauna, pool, party room for 80 persons, fireplace room, catering, camping places, angling. Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, "Vīksnas", +371 26545412, www.dalbespirts.lv

**"Līcīši"** Sauna, party room for up to 25 persons, campfire site, boat rental, angling, swings, camping sites. Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, +371 26537993, www.licisi.lv

**"Atpūtas Ozolniekos"** Catering, party hall for up to 50 persons, sauna for up to 15 persons and commercial fishing. Ozolnieki, Eglaines Street 17, +371 26052867, 29514863

**Dārziņi bathhouse** Sauna, party rooms for up to 40 persons. Jelgava county, Platone parish, +371 63022116, 29179589

**"Branguļi"** Log building, party room for up to 25 persons, overnight stay for 15 persons, outdoor pergola with fireplace, two ponds. Jelgava county, Valgundes parish, +371 28772324, 28205776

**"Ezerkrasti"** Sauna, party rooms for 20 and 70 persons, catering, overnight stay, boats, angling. Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, +371 29220017

**"Mierlauki"** Russian bath, party room for 50 persons, overnight stay for 12 persons, camping sites. Jelgava county, Valgunde parish, +371 63085269, 29417971

**"Saulgrieži"** Party room for up to 40 persons, kitchen, swimming place, bath, pool, picnic site, children's playground, volleyball court, raft. Ozolnieki county, Cenas parish, +371 63059143, 26542202, www.projektsmaja.lv





# Souvenirs

**Holy Trinity Church Tower of Jelgava**,  
Jelgava, Akadēmijas Street 1, +371 63005445, 63005447,  
[www.tornis.jelgava.lv](http://www.tornis.jelgava.lv)

**G. Eliass Jelgava History and Art Museum**,  
Akadēmijas Street 10, Jelgava, +371 63023383,  
[www.jvmm.lv](http://www.jvmm.lv)

**Keramika LV**, Rīgas Street 67, Jelgava,  
+371 63007438, [www.keramika.lv](http://www.keramika.lv)

**Eco shop “Dbdaba”**, Raiņa Street 17, Jelgava,  
+371 63084395, [www.dbdaba.lv](http://www.dbdaba.lv)

**Arts and crafts shop “Daiļrade”**, Akadēmijas Street 4,  
Jelgava, +371 63082728

**Trade shop “Kanciera NAMS”**,  
Katoļu Street 7 and Pasta Street 51/7, Jelgava,  
+371 63029610, [www.kanciers.lv](http://www.kanciers.lv)

**Home producers’ shop “Pārtikas amatnieku sēta”**.  
Product tasting by prior appointment. Jelgava,  
Pasta Street 41, +371 25502151,  
[www.partikasamatnieki.lv](http://www.partikasamatnieki.lv)

## Tourist Services



 Akadēmijas Street 1,  
Jelgava  
+371 63005447,  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv),  
[tic@tornis.jelgava.lv](mailto:tic@tornis.jelgava.lv)  
 JelgavaTIC  
 @VisitJelgava  
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### Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre


Jelgava City Municipal Authority “Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre” is located in the Holy Trinity Church Tower of Jelgava on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor. The Centre offers the following services:

- Information about tourist and recreational opportunities in Jelgava, Jelgava county and Ozolnieki county, Zemgale region, Latvia
- Excursions and guided tours around Jelgava and its vicinity
- Guided tours of the Holy Trinity Church Tower of Jelgava
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- Themed events, creative activities at Holy Trinity Church of Jelgava
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Tourist information and tours around Lielplatone parish.  
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### Jelgava City Tour “Explore Jelgava!”


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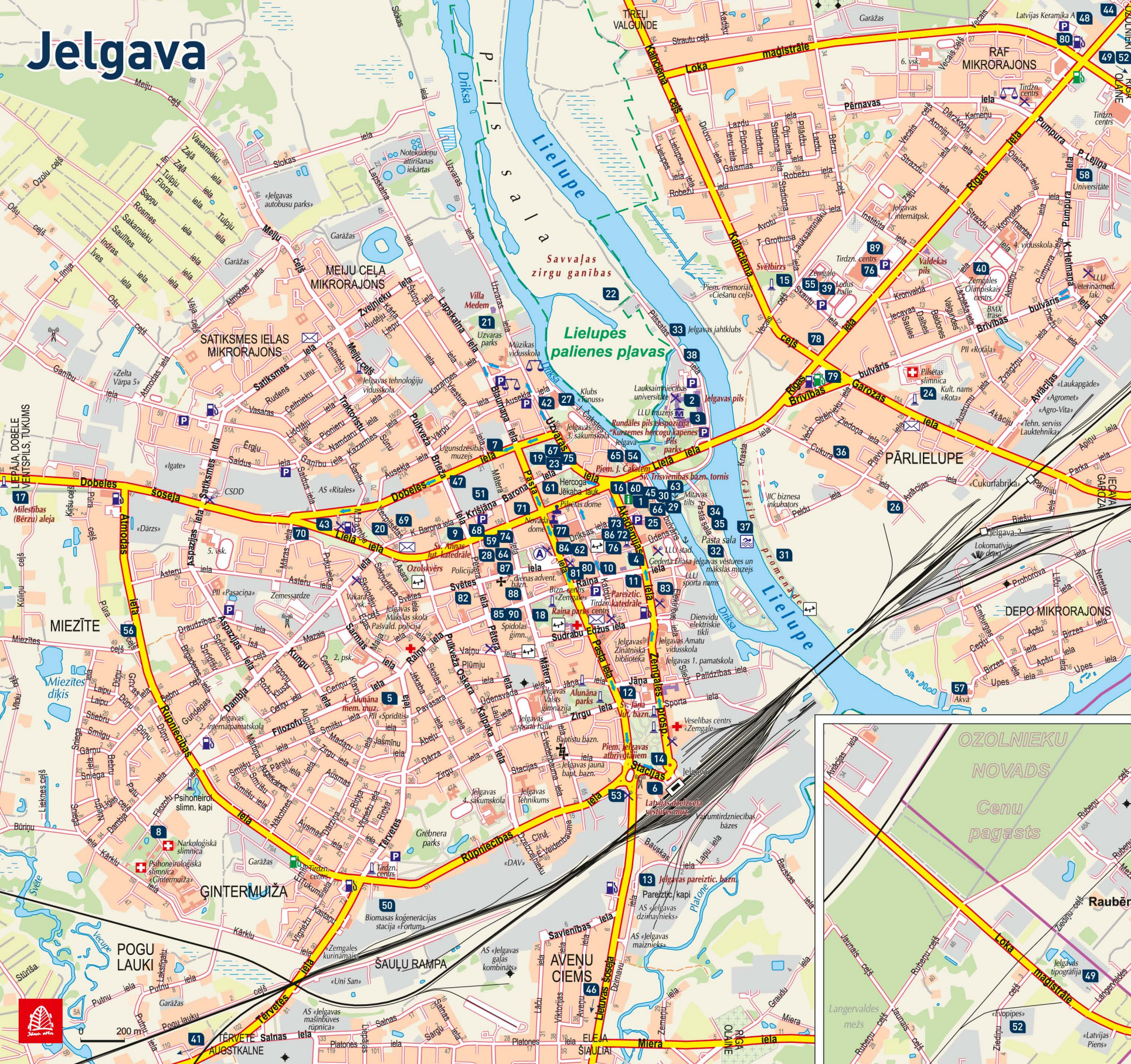
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










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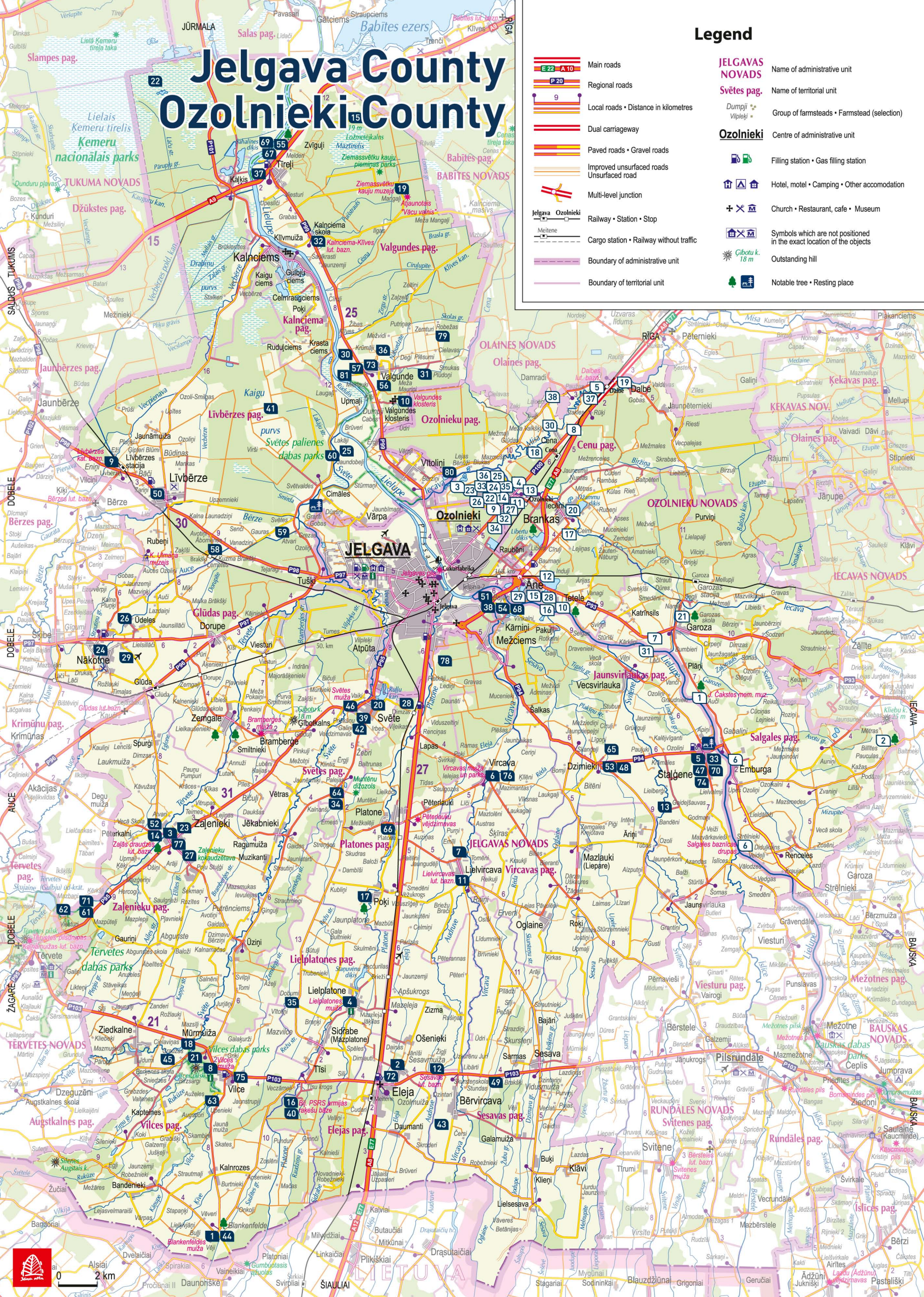
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## Legend

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  -  Regional roads
  -  Local roads • Distance in kilometres
  -  Dual carriageway
  -  Paved roads • Gravel roads
  -  Improved unsurfaced roads
  -  Unsurfaced road
  -  Multi-level junction
  -  Railway • Station • Stop
  -  Cargo station • Railway without traffic
  -  Boundary of administrative unit
  -  Boundary of territorial unit
- JELGAVAS NOVADS** Name of administrative unit
  - Svētes pag.** Name of territorial unit
  -  Group of farmsteads • Farmstead (selection)
  - Ozolnieki** Centre of administrative unit
  -  Filling station • Gas filling station
  -  Hotel, motel • Camping • Other accommodation
  -  Church • Restaurant, cafe • Museum
  -  Symbols which are not positioned in the exact location of the objects
  -  Outstanding hill
  -  Notable tree • Resting place





# Major Festivities and Events

## in Jelgava City, Jelgava County and Ozolnieki County

### January

#### COMMEMORATION EVENTS OF CHRISTMAS BATTLES

Traditionally, in early January in the vicinity of Ložmetējkalns (Machine-gun Hill), the commemoration events dedicated to the Latvian Riflemen take place, remembering the Christmas battles. Events include visits to the cemeteries of Riflemen, exhibitions in the museum of Christmas battles at "Mangaļi" and a ceremonial conclusion with songs and bonfire in Ložmetējkalns.

### February

#### INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF ICE SCULPTURES

International Ice Sculpture Festival in Jelgava in 2016 will take place for the eighteenth time. Many artists from all over the world arrive in February in Jelgava and create ice sculptures, using over 40 tons of ice. The Ice Sculpture Festival surprises with spectacular light shows, concerts and fireworks.

### May

#### OPENING OF THE TOURIST SEASON IN JELGAVA, JELGAVA COUNTY AND OZOLNIEKI COUNTY

Each year in early May, in the city of Jelgava and its surroundings, with a diverse range of activities the new tourist season is open. Tours are held, the new tourism offerings are presented, various themed activities are organized.

#### JELGAVA CITY FESTIVAL

At the end of May for the whole week city festival will take place with wide range of activities for whole family. The most interesting and joyful moment is the city festive march, which is the longest in Latvia. In this march participate Jelgava's enterprises, companies and representatives of collectives. During the festival different concerts and culture events are offered.

### June

#### INTERNATIONAL SAND SCULPTURE FESTIVAL

In the middle of summer, the largest Baltic sand sculpture park in Jelgava impresses with unique and unusual works of art created from 900 tons of sand. The festival is enriched by a variety of concerts and events, guaranteeing a pleasant rest for visitors of all ages.

### July

#### FESTIVAL OF JELGAVA COUNTY

The Festival of Jelgava county is an annual major event in Jelgava county. Craftsmen, home-workers, creative workshop managers, traders and entertainers participate in the municipal festivity to give the audience an emotion-filled day in various cultural activities.

#### FESTIVAL OF OZOLNIEKI COUNTY

The Festival of Ozolnieki county with the slogan "With roots in the county" is the largest event in Ozolnieki county. The festival begins with a procession at Ozolnieki. During the festival, the county's newborn children are greeted and all day long, exciting entertainment and recreational opportunities are offered for the county residents and visitors.

### August

#### LATVIAN MILK, BREAD AND HONEY FESTIVAL

A festival – rich in traditions, during which aspiring bakers are boasting with the world's largest bread product records. A variety of honey, milk and bread-related attractions and tastings are offered to the visitors. The most amazing and awaited event is the regatta – from empty milk cartons made boat race on the Lielupe river.

### September

#### METAL FESTIVAL IN JELGAVA

The Metal Festival is an educational and explorative event where you can enjoy both art and culture, and become acquainted with educational and career opportunities in the metalworking industry. During the festival, a welding contest, workshops, creative classes for children and young people, a cultural program with performances of popular artists take place.

### October

#### HARVEST FESTIVAL IN JELGAVA COUNTY

In the fall, when major works are over and the crop is harvested, Jelgava county and nearby farmers, craftsmen and home-workers invite all to the Harvest Festival and a fair at the cafe "Zemnieka cienasts" in Jaunsvirlauka parish.



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