



*An Exciting Journey  
Around  
Palace and Manor Parks*

*Zemgale  
Northern Lithuania*



# *Go on an exciting journey around palace and manor parks!*

A park is a place where the diversity of flora and fauna is preserved, evidence of historical events is kept, and which also serves as a place for education, relaxation and inspiration. The developed tourism route “An Exciting Journey around Palace and Manor Parks” is an unprecedented opportunity to get closer to nature in order to get to know cultural and historical heritage, namely, palaces, manors and their parks, throughout all four seasons.

The beginnings of most parks date back to the 18th and 19th centuries; therefore, most of them are English landscape parks, reflecting the architectural and artistic philosophies of that era. However, the route also includes romantic parks, baroque and renaissance gardens, as well as parks whose beginnings stretch back well beyond the 18th century. Today, parks are home to treasures that have been cherished for centuries – venerable trees, unique tree species and landscapes, as well as habitats where rare and unusual plants and animals grow and reside.

In total, the brochure features 55 palace and manor parks, divided into three routes that include tourism objects in Zemgale (Latvia), as well as Šiauliai and Panevėžys counties (Lithuania). There are additional offers for five different target groups – traveller groups belonging to three generations, seniors, active travellers and out of season travellers. There is also a route that includes the most well-known tourism objects. More information available in leaflets “Palace and Manor Parks for Families”, “Palace and Manor Parks in Names and Stories”, “Searching for Palace and Manor Park Heritage Hidden in Plain Sight”, “Palace and Manor Parks Throughout the Seasons”, “The Most Famous Palace and Manor Parks”. The offers have been created by highlighting the objects that are the best fit for the particular target group and adding important bits of information. More information about the offers is available at [www.zemgale.lv](http://www.zemgale.lv).

A park is a treasure of nature, guided by the human touch, requiring conscious commitment and care. “An Exciting Journey Around Palace and Manor Parks” is the first step in exploring, appreciating and sometimes even rediscovering the opportunities granted by a visit to a park. The palace and manor parks included in the route are only a fraction of the parks that the aforementioned area has to offer.

The uniqueness of the offer lies in its diversity – we invite you to discover and fall in love with outstandingly well-managed sites, parks that form a natural part of the urban environment, as well as nature that is free and slightly wild.

A park is a united whole, inviting each and every visitor who wishes to break away from the daily rush, to open their eyes, see and hear. Enjoy the magnificence of nature and culture – embark on the adventure and go on an exciting journey around palace and manor parks!

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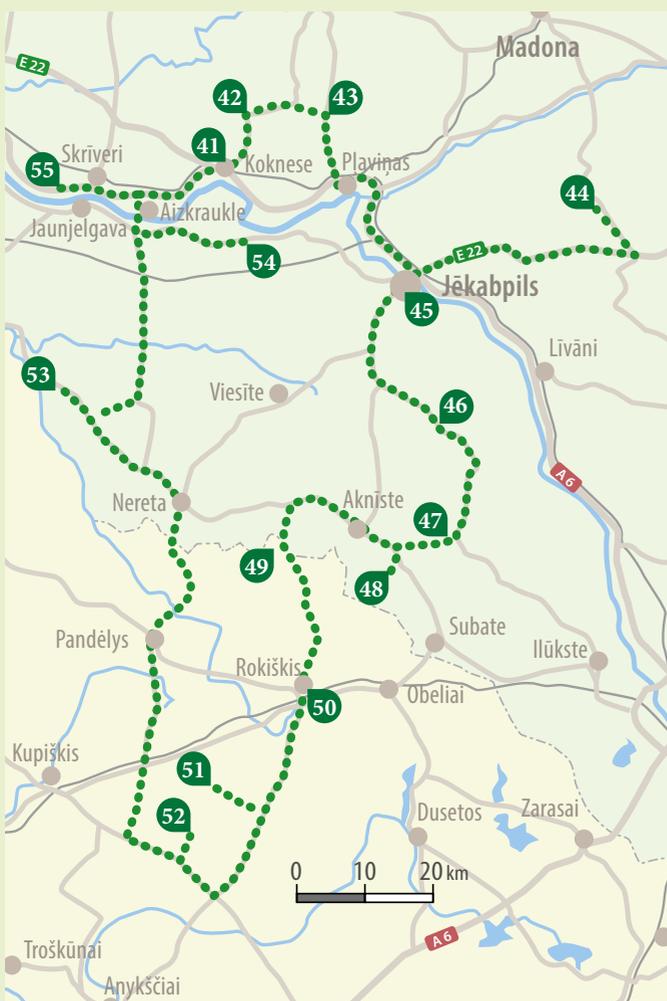


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## Legend



Entrance fee (park)



Picnic spot



Free of charge (park)



Catering



Entrance fee (manor/palace)



Guest house/hotel/apartments



Free of charge (manor/palace)



Bicycle rental



The park offers a guide who speaks:



Horse riding



Latvian



Pets allowed in the park



Lithuanian



Educational programmes available



English



Tastings available



German



Rental of premises



Russian



Recommended for:



French



Three generations of travellers



Parking



Seniors



Toilet available in the park



Active travellers



Playground/outdoor activities area



Out of season travellers



Tent places

# First Route

## Jelgava Palace Park

1



*Address* 2 Lielā Street, Jelgava, Latvia

*GPS* 56.65536, 23.733170

*Homepage* [www.jelgavaspils.lv](http://www.jelgavaspils.lv)

*Telephone* +371 63005617

*Park area* 7.4 ha

*Park's style and* English landscape park

*time of creation* Early 19th century

*Historical owners* The administrative centre of the Courland Governorate of the Russian Empire (1795–1915)

Since 1919 – owned by the Republic of Latvia

*Park's availability for visitors* Freely available

*Palace's availability for visitors* Available tourism object

*Nearest TIC* Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre

+371 63005445

+371 63005447

[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

If you visit Jelgava, it is impossible to remain indifferent to the architectural gem of Zemgale – Jelgava Palace, designed by the famous Russian court architect Bartolomeo Francesco Rastrelli (1700–1771); its majestic features overlook the River Lielupe. Jelgava Palace Park started to take shape in 1817 in the place where the rampart once stood. The park's romantic canals, bridges, several palace buildings and Gubernatora (Governor's) Island make it one of the most beautiful parks in Jelgava. The palace park is home to several venerable trees – horse chestnuts, a pyramidal English oak and a grey poplar. And the park continues to live and grow – in 1971, Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technologies, the present owner of the palace, started a beautiful tradition: on their first day of studies, the newly matriculated students planted a tree in Jelgava Palace Park, thus enriching the park and marking the beginning of their life as a student. Since 2012, no more trees have been planted due to the restricted area of the park; instead of that, a new paving slab is laid to create the Academic Road.

### *3 reasons to visit:*

-  The park features a tall French smoketree
-  See the tombs of the Dukes of Courland on the bottom floor of the palace
-  A chance to get a glimpse of wild horses grazing in the nearby nature preserve behind the palace





# Victory Park (Villa Medem)

*Address* 51 Uzvaras Street, Jelgava,  
Latvia

*GPS* 56.659850,23.718464

*Homepage* [www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

*Telephone* + 371 25970219

*Park area* 2.3 ha

*Park's style and  
time of creation* English landscape park  
(has not survived; created  
anew in 1924)

Early 19th century

*Historical owners* The Medem family (from 1818  
to 1881)

Jelgava Latvian Society (from  
1881 to 1908)

Yakov Hoff (from 1908 to 1919)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's  
availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required  
More information available on  
homepage [www.villamedem.lv](http://www.villamedem.lv)

*Nearest TIC* Jelgava Regional Tourism  
Centre  
+371 63005445,  
+371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

In 1818, in the present day location of Victory Park, the Empire style suburban residence "Villa Medem" of the noble Medem family was built, using the project of Johann Georg Adam Berlitz (1753–1837), which at the time was considered to be his greatest masterpiece throughout the whole Duchy of Courland and Semigallia; a garden was also created, which later became the starting point of the park. The park is also notable for the fact that in 1895 the Jelgava Latvian Society and its Head Jānis Čakste organised the IV All-Latvian Song Festival – the only Festival to be held outside Riga. This is the place from which the Song Festival procession started out on 15 June 1895; to honour this event, the Ģirts Burvis sculpture "Song Wreath" was unveiled in 2008. Up until World War I, Count Medem's villa park was a favourite place for walks and entertainment. "Villa Medem for us is what Vērmāne garden is to Rigans," the Jelgavians of those times used to say. Nowadays, the park acts as a venue for various events; it is home to many art objects created by prominent artists during the Metal Art Symposium in 2011.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A historically significant place where the procession of the IV All-Latvian Song and Music Festival began
-  The park is home to metal sculptures created by Latvian and Lithuanian artists
-  The manor house that was unmanaged for a long time is now restored





# Dobele Castle Park

*Address* Brivibas Street, Dobele, Latvia

*GPS* 56.622374, 23.272468

*Homepage* [www.dobelesmuzejs.lv](http://www.dobelesmuzejs.lv)

*Telephone* +371 63721309

*Park area* 3.7 ha

*Park's style and time of creation* Baroque park (has not survived)

Mid-17th century

*Historical owners* The Livonian Order (from 1335 to 1562)

Family estate of the rulers of the Duchy of Courland and Semigallia (from 1562 to 1795)

*Park's availability for visitors* Freely available

*Castle's availability for visitors* The castle ruins have survived and are open to visitors; after 1729, the castle built by the Livonian order was no longer inhabited and gradually collapsed

*Nearest TIC* Dobele Local Municipality Tourism Information Centre  
+371 63723074, +371 28675118  
[www.dobele.lv](http://www.dobele.lv)

Dobele exudes the aura of medieval times and the grandeur of antiquity. Only a few fragments remain from the once imposing stone castle built in the 14th century, but visitors can still enjoy the walking trails created on the castle mound.

The park was particularly magnificent during the times of the Duchess Elisabeth Magdalena (1580–1649): on the southern slope of the castle mound there was a wonderful orchard; seedlings for this orchard were brought from all over Europe. The hundred year old lindens and ash trees are silent witnesses of historical events and invite you to explore the beauty of nature and the landscape at any time of the year. The Dobele medieval castle ruins are a cultural monument of state significance.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The oldest building in Dobele
-  Unique view of the city of Dobele and the River Bērze
-  An opportunity to go on a themed tour under the guidance of a lady of the castle





# Zebrene (Renge) Manor Park

*Address* Zebrene, Dobele Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.603359, 22.887599

*Homepage* [www.dobele.lv](http://www.dobele.lv)

*Telephone* +371 28675118

*Park area* 5 ha

*Park's style and time of creation* Unknown

*Historical owners* Unknown

*Park's availability for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability for visitors* The manor house has not survived

*Nearest TIC* Dobele Local Municipality  
Tourism Information Centre  
+371 63723074, +371 28675118  
[www.dobele.lv](http://www.dobele.lv)

Zebrene Manor Park offers a blend of the village bustle and the serenity of nature. Visitors are invited to go on an active walk: enjoy the trail of the senses created by the locals and engage in a battle of minds by participating in an outdoor draughts tournament. The most treasured features of the park are trees of rare species from the time of nobility, a stork family settlement, as well as home of several bird species. A great place for observing the seasons – in springtime, liverleaves turn the park into a sea of blooms, in summer, it is taken over by the aroma of evergreens and herbs, the autumn paints the trees in all shades of gold, and the winter comes with white serenity and silence.

## *3 reasons to visit:*

-  A wonderful place for walks and outdoor activities
-  The trail of the senses offers a beautiful walk
-  Engage in a battle of minds by participating in an outdoor checkers tournament





# Vecauce Palace Park

*Address* 11 Akadēmijas Street, Vecauce,  
Auce Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.468150, 22.887341

*Homepage* [www.vecauce.lv](http://www.vecauce.lv)

*Telephone* +371 29195959

*Park area* 10 ha

*Park's style and  
time of creation* English landscape park  
Mid-19th century

*Historical owners* J. von Bremen (from early 16th century  
to 1560)  
The Vietinghoff family (from 1560 to 1672)  
H. F. von Baehr (from 1672 to 1674)  
K. F. von Ganzkov (from 1674 to 1702)  
K. F. von Fircks (from 1702 to 1710)  
H. K. von Brincken (from 1710 to 1733)  
H. F. von Grotthuss (from 1733 to 1768)  
The Medem family (from 1768 to 1921)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Palace's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object

*Nearest TIC* Auce Local Municipality Tourism  
Information Centre  
+371 27823375  
[www.auce.lv](http://www.auce.lv)

With its 19th century palace, granaries, stables, gardener's house, beautiful landscape park, ponds and linden alley, the Vecauce manor complex adds a special charm to the slow-paced and quiet life of a small town. Vecauce Manor House, built in 1843, incorporating the walls of the old building, is considered to be one of the earliest neo-Gothic palaces in Latvia. A visit to the historical exposition of Vecauce Palace gives a feel of the grandeur of the former manor during the late 19th century. The park's natural terrain, its paths, the 100 year old oak grove, the linden alley and water reservoirs form a romantic landscape that delights visitors throughout the year.

## *3 reasons to visit:*

-  Vecauce Manor Complex – an architectural monument of State significance
-  The palace features a permanent history exhibition and reconstructions of 19th century costumes
-  A century old oak grove, a linden alley, historic garden designs and restoration challenges





# Bēne Manor Park

*Address* 3 Central Square, Bēne, Auce Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.485885, 23.063996

*Homepage* [www.auce.lv](http://www.auce.lv)

*Telephone* +371 27823375

*Park area* 6.6 ha

*Park's style and* English landscape park

*time of creation* Second half of the 19th century

*Historical owners* The Berg family (from 1597 to 1818)

The Medem family (from 1818 to 1858)

A.F. Karl von der Recke (from 1858 to 1860)

E. von Bähr (from 1860 to 1875)

The Birkenstein family (from 1875 to 1923)

*Park's availability* Freely available  
*for visitors*

*Manor's* Outside viewing of the manor house  
*availability* available (the manor houses a municipality  
*for visitors* institution and a medical practice)

*Nearest TIC* Auce Local Municipality Tourism  
Information Centre  
+371 27823375  
[www.auce.lv](http://www.auce.lv)

Bēne Manor House was built in the time period from 1876 to 1878, and the partly rebuilt manor has survived to this day. It is surrounded by an open layout park – a wonderful place for peaceful, leisurely walks where you can enjoy the change of seasons and the proximity of nature. The small River Auce, whose banks are connected by a historic boulder-stone bridge, flows nearby, and during walks the visitors can also have a look at the other manor buildings that have survived – the byre, the big granary, the servants' house, and the water and steam mill. The path to the manor house and park is accentuated by a stately linden alley; a walk through the alley will make everyone feel like a warmly awaited guest.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Linden alley (1880), which has been granted the status of a nature monument
-  A park where the past meets the present
-  Offers leisure activities





# Žagarė Manor Park

*Address* 1 Malūno Street, Žagarė, Lithuania

*GPS* 56.362061, 23.263501

*Homepage* [www.zagaresrp.am.lt](http://www.zagaresrp.am.lt)

*Telephone* +370 42660809

*Park area* 70 ha

*Park's style and time* English landscape park

*of creation* The old part of the park – first half of the 19th century

The new part of the park – the turn of the 20th century

*Historical owners* P. Zubov (from 1795 to 1858)

The Naryshkin family (from 1858 to 1914)

J. Gricevič (from 1914 to 1940)

*Park's availability*  
*for visitors*

Freely available

*Manor's availability*  
*for visitors*

Available tourism object

*Nearest TIC*

Joniškis Tourism and Business

Information Centre

+370 42652388

[www.visitjoniskis.lt](http://www.visitjoniskis.lt)

One of the most impressive manor parks in Lithuania, divided into two parts – the old and the new part of the park. Riga park and garden landscape architect Georg Ferdinand Kuphaldt (1853–1938) developed the design for the new part of the park at the turn of the 20th century and created a unique collection of trees and plants with specimens of more than 200 species. It is an important part of the urban environment, providing both recreational and educational opportunities, all the while retaining its historical and cultural value. A wonderful place to observe the synthesis of the richness of nature and the historical heritage, to take lengthy walks and to celebrate the annual Žagarė Cherry Festival.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The largest manor park in Lithuania
-  One of the largest birch groves in Lithuania – more than 100 trees
-  During the 3rd weekend of July, the prominent annual Cherry Festival is held





# Paragiai Manor Park

<i>Address</i>	Paragiai village, Papilė Eldership, Akmenė District Municipality, Lithuania
<i>GPS</i>	56.106777, 22.627805
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.akmenesmuziejus.lt">www.akmenesmuziejus.lt</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+370 65980747
<i>Park area</i>	3.4 ha
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	Classical park 19th–20th century
<i>Historical owners</i>	The Ivanauskas family (~1806 – 1932)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	Available tourism object
<i>Nearest tourism information provider</i>	Akmenė museum +370 65980747 <a href="http://www.akmenesmuziejus.lt">www.akmenesmuziejus.lt</a>

The old park that surrounds the manor house and was created in the middle of the 19th century by the parents of the famous Lithuanian painter Nikodemas Ivanauskas, leaves a great impression on visitors, as it is like an oasis of nature in rural surroundings. 200 year old lindens, ash and other trees are local dendrological treasures. The park intoxicates with the wild aroma of lindens, lilies and jasmines in bloom. Paragiai Manor is also the birthplace of the daughters of Nikodemas Ivanauskas, who went on to become writers – Sofija Ivanauskaitė-Pšibiliauskienė (1867–1926) and Marija Ivanauskaitė-Lastauskienė (1872–1957); they used the pen name of Lazdynų Pelėda. In summer, the manor territory hosts annual creative and artistic camps, celebrations of the writers' birthdays, educational activities and celebrations of the European Cultural Heritage Day.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A unique family history, showing how history shapes personal development and people's fates
-  The particular aura of the site, exuding peace and quiet
-  The wonderful linden trees that are more than 200 years old





# Kuršėnai Manor Park

*Address* 7A Ventos Street, Kuršėnai, Šiauliai District Municipality, Lithuania

*GPS* 55.999049, 22.933699

*Homepage* [www.kursenuamatucentras.lt](http://www.kursenuamatucentras.lt)

*Telephone* +370 41583422

*Park area* 5 ha

*Park's style and time of creation* English landscape park  
Mid-19th century

*Historical owners* J. Gruzewski (1590–1651)  
J. Mikolas Despots-Zenovicius (1510–1570)  
S. Pacs (1587–1640)  
S. Gruzewski (?)  
E. Gruzewski (?)

*Park's availability for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability for visitors* Available tourism object (the manor houses the Centre for Ethnic Culture and Crafts)

*Nearest TIC* Šiauliai Tourism Information Centre  
+370 41523110  
[www.tic.siauliai.lt](http://www.tic.siauliai.lt)

Kuršėnai Manor Park astounds with its architectural diversity. The mid-19th century free layout park adjoins the River Venta, creating a beautiful landscape that delights the visitors. In the northern part of the park, a new park pond was created in the place of the old bed, whereas in the middle of the park there is a meadow that reaches about 70 metres in diameter, with rows of trees and a wide driveway. The linden alley along the River Venta is a particularly picturesque place for walks. Along with native tree species (maple trees, lindens, birch trees) there are also specimens belonging to more exotic species, such as the English walnut, large-leaved lime, beech, balsam fir. A pleasant place for peaceful walks and fun activities.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The most prominent gem of wooden cultural and historical architecture in Šiauliai County
-  An opportunity to participate in interesting creative workshops
-  Come and see unusual tree species





# Pakėvis Manor Park

*Address* 54 Dvaro Street, Pakėvis Village,  
Kelmė District Municipality,  
Lithuania

*GPS* 55.68204,22.824050

*Homepage* [www.pakeviodvaras.lt](http://www.pakeviodvaras.lt)

*Telephone* +370 61031315

*Park area* 40 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* English landscape park  
Early 20th century

*Historical owners* Unknown

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required

*Nearest TIC* Kelmė Tourism and Business  
Information Centre  
+370 42761430  
[www.kelmevic.lt](http://www.kelmevic.lt)

The manor area is known since the 17th century, when it was first mentioned in local church documents. It was made famous by the ethnographer and folklore historian Liudvikas Adomas Jucevičius (1813–1846), who made a significant contribution to the study of Lithuania's cultural and historical heritage. Today's magnificent manor house with its surrounding park dates back to around 1900; however, it experienced its revival in 2009, when the building was reconstructed, and now it continues to delight visitors and owners alike. The ponds in the area add liveliness and beckon you to enjoy your rest! The tranquillity and scenic variety of the park is enchanting, making it a wonderful place for celebrating life!

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Beautiful and well-maintained manor surroundings – a wonderful place for relaxation and celebrations
-  Former residence of outstanding historical figures
-  A fine example of modern manor restoration and management





# Kelmė Manor Park

*Address* 15 Dvaro Street, Kelmė,  
Lithuania

*GPS* 55.638290, 22.939144

*Homepage* [www.kelmesmuziejus.lt](http://www.kelmesmuziejus.lt)

*Telephone* +370 42761065

*Park area* 15 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* Baroque  
15th century

*Historical owners* The Gruzewski family  
(from 1540 to 1942)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object

*Nearest TIC* Kelmė Tourism and  
Business Information  
Centre  
+370 42761430  
[www.kelmevic.lt](http://www.kelmevic.lt)

The historic and vast Kelmė Manor invites everyone to visit the museum's collection, explore the history of the site and the region, and take a leisurely stroll through the manor park. The manor complex consists of several well-preserved buildings – the main manor house, the entrance gate and the barn. The layout of the manor complex, the location of the buildings, the park, the garden and the road layout have remained unchanged since they were constructed in the late 18th century. The most beautiful feature of the park is the large pond in front of the manor, as well as the three smaller ponds in the park area. The most observant visitors will notice that one pond has a teardrop shape; it is the subject of fascinating legends and stories.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The buildings are an outstanding example of Baroque country manor architecture
-  A place connected to many important historical events – this is where the 1831 uprising against Tsarist Russia began
-  Offers a wide and varied range of interesting educational programmes





# Kurtuvėnai Manor Park

*Address* 2 Parko Street, Kurtuvėnai, Šiauliai District Municipality, Lithuania

*GPS* 55.826544, 23.049284

*Homepage* [www.kurtuva.lt](http://www.kurtuva.lt)

*Telephone* +370 61829964

*Park area* 4.2 ha

*Park's style and time of creation* English landscape park  
End of 18th century

*Historical owners* The Jagielowicz, Kęsgailos, and Skaczewski families (from the 15th to the 16th century)  
The Karpiai, Skaudvilos, Nabrowski, Kniązevičiai families (17th century)  
The Nagurskiai family (18th century)  
The Žukauskai, Tiškevičiai, Bulgarinai, Parčevskiai families (19th century)  
The Plateriai-Zyberk family (second half of the 19th century – first half of the 20th century)

*Park's availability for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability for visitors* The main building of the manor has not survived (it was heavily damaged by a fire in 1919). Several manor complex buildings are open to visitors.

*Nearest TIC* Šiauliai Tourism Information Centre  
+370 41523110  
[www.tic.siauliai.lt](http://www.tic.siauliai.lt)



The Kurtuvėnai Manor has a rich history – its surroundings were already mentioned in written documents in the 16th century. In 1876 the Nagurskiai family, who ruled the manor at that time, invited the landscape architect Kazimieras Bolmanas from Vilnius to completely redesign the manor park. A fragment of a path dating back to the late 18th century has survived, as well as valuable foreign tree and shrub species such as wild cherry trees, Norwegian maples, European hazelnuts, white willows and other dendrological treasures. After the manor was taken over by the Plater family in the second half of the 19th century, the manor was completely rebuilt. The park also underwent a transformation, gaining features characteristic of a landscape park along with some geometrical details.

The park is a great example of biodiversity and splendour, where many notable animal and bird species reside. The manor together with its park are included in Kurtuvėnai Regional Park and is an architectural monument of State significance.

## 3 reasons to visit:

 A great place for relaxation – a well-developed network of walking and cycle paths, silence and peace of nature

 An excellent 18th century Baroque wooden barn, the largest of its kind in Lithuania, can be visited

 Horseback rides are available





# Bubiai Manor Park

*Address* 1a Dubysos Street, Bubiai Village,  
Šiauliai District Municipality,  
Lithuania

*GPS* 55.856219, 23.137027

*Homepage* [www.grafozubovo.lt](http://www.grafozubovo.lt)

*Telephone* +370 41523110

*Park area* 7.2 ha

*Park's style and  
time of creation* English landscape parkpark  
Early 20th century

*Historical owners* The Zubov family  
(from the 18th to 19th century)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's  
availability  
for visitors* Manor is only available to hotel  
guests

*Nearest TIC* Šiauliai District Municipality  
Tourism and Business  
Information Centre  
+370 41370860  
[www.siauliurajonas.lt](http://www.siauliurajonas.lt)



Bubiai Manor, where guests can indulge in pleasant rest, delicious meals and comfortable living, is both authentic and cosy. The village began to form after 1795, when the Russian Empress Catherine II gave the area of Bubiai and Šiauliai to Platon Zubov, her favourite. His family engaged in extensive cultural activities in Lithuania for nearly a century, leaving valuable cultural and educational heritage. The manor park is a blend of geometrically precise shapes and scenic landscapes. The ash alley, oak tree rows, along with the typical conifer and deciduous tree greenery have survived to this day. The park's treasures are its exotic tree species – larch trees and Weymouth pines. An interesting feature is the pond system; it was created in the early 20th century and is connected to the River Dubiška in the southeastern part of the park. A great place for rest and peaceful relaxation.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A wonderful place for peaceful relaxation, enjoying the hospitality of the manor owners
-  A peaceful place for leisurely walks
-  A contemporary approach to historical heritage





# Blankenfelde Manor Park

*Address* Blankenfelde Manor, Blankenfelde,  
Vilce Parish, Jelgava Local  
Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.344951, 23.546167

*Homepage* [www.blankenfeldesmuiza.lv](http://www.blankenfeldesmuiza.lv)

*Telephone* +371 27810348

*Park area* 4 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* English classical park  
Mid-18th century

*Historical owners* The von Medem family  
from 1462 to 1738)  
E. von Buttler (from 1738 to 1743)  
K. F. von Mannteuffel-Szöge  
(from 1743 to 1791)  
A. von Königfels (from 1791 to 1840)  
V. von Hahn (from 1840 to 1921)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required

*Nearest TIC* Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre  
+371 63005445, +371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

According to the written documents, Blankenfelde Manor had a regularly shaped garden as early as the 18th century. The landscape park was created in the mid-19th century; it is surrounded by exotic species such as the Russian larch, balsam fir and others, as well as small ponds along its edges. It is an English classical park; the park has several alleys: Love alley, Tavern alley and Anna's alley. The most prominent tree in the manor park is the ash tree that is more than 370 years old; its girth is more than 4 metres. The ash tree itself broke two years ago, but it has been retained as a habitat of rare beetle species. According to a legend, the roots of the grand ash tree hide the manor gold that was buried there; moreover, the baron enjoyed his morning coffee here. Well-maintained surroundings, an inspiring example of a natural environment and cultural and historical heritage, and a beautiful place to relax – Blankenfelde Manor is a remarkable tourism object in Zemgale.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Louis XVIII, the King of France, stayed in the manor house twice between 1804 and 1805 while in exile
-  A great example of modern manor management
-  A chance to see the unique Valdis Jākobsons's Bell Museum





# Mežmuiža Palace Park

*Address* Ezerpils, Augstkalne Parish, Tērvete  
Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.404895, 23.334015

*Homepage* [www.mezmuiza.lv](http://www.mezmuiza.lv)

*Telephone* +371 26473531

*Park area* 12 ha

*Park's style and  
time of creation* On the terrace side of the palace, the garden has several Baroque features; the rest of the park is an English landscape park

End of the 19th century – beginning of the 20th century

*Historical owners* The Lieven family (to 1870)

V. von Hahn (from 1870 to 1920)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Palace's  
availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required (the manor houses a school)

*Nearest TIC* Tērvete Tourism Information Centre  
+ 371 28309394  
[www.tervetesnovads.lv](http://www.tervetesnovads.lv)

Mežmuiža Park, created during the time of barons, is a noteworthy site – many sheared hedges, a network of scenic pathways, romantic places for relaxation, viburnum. The park has many exotic species – the Canaan fir, European larch, Colorado blue spruce, mountain pine, black pine and northern red oak. And also the common willows by the lakes of the shore – how many promises of love they have witnessed! – impress with their scenic features. The palace itself is located on the flat shore of the lake; the old park lies on one side of the palace, and the church built during the time of Kettler and the huge trees of the old cemetery on the other.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A favourite place for summer relaxation of the famous Latvian poet Rainis (1865–1929); it features a memorial stone erected in his honour
-  Mežmuiža trail has many surprises in terms of nature
-  An opportunity to go for a walk along the Lithuanian border





# Pālena Manor Park

**Address** 2-24 Sanatorijas Street,  
Tērvete, Tērvete Parish,  
Tērvete Municipality,  
Latvia

**GPS** 56.481406, 23.389968

**Homepage** [www.palenaapartamenti.lv](http://www.palenaapartamenti.lv)

**Telephone** +371 29297084

**Park area** 3 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** English landscape park  
Around 1900

**Historical owners** The Pahlen family  
(from 1799 to 1921)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Freely available

**Manor's  
availability  
for visitors** Prior reservation is  
required (the manor offers  
apartments for rent)

**Nearest TIC** Tērvete Tourism  
Information Centre  
+371 28309394  
[www.tervetesnovads.lv](http://www.tervetesnovads.lv)

In the very heart of Zemgale, the centre of the ancient Tērvete, stands the hunting manor (built in 1900) and park of Peter Ludwig von der Pahlen (1745–1826), originally intended as a place for recreation. The manor house: a wooden log house with wide wooden planks, is a true architectural masterpiece: it is a neoclassical building with an asymmetrical avant-corps, highlighted by a triangular pediment on the roof and a four-column portico supporting the balcony. The entrance of the manor park is guarded by two cast iron lions (restored in 2016), still recalling the white painted wooden entrance gate that once stood there. Today, it invites you to take in the aura and atmosphere of olden times, as well as the scenic beauty of the surrounding hills and forests, to enjoy peace and harmony. The park's most treasured features are the century-old figural compositions of lindens and several venerable oak trees. "Health", the translation of Tērvete from Latin, highlights the unique value and importance of the site in contributing to human well-being and harmony, both in olden times and nowadays. The manor park is a great place for active recreation and health improvement.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The manor complex is part of Tērvete Nature Park
-  Hilly terrain atypical of Zemgale. A picturesque place by the River Tērvete; the multi-level manor ponds have survived to this day
-  The park territory includes a Semigallian mound (Cukurkalns) along with the ancient forepart of a castle; there you can see the ruins of a late medieval castle





# Zaļenieki Manor Park

**Address** Pils Road, Zaļenieki, Zaļenieku Parish,  
Jelgava Local Municipality, Latvia

**GPS** 56.530816,23.508535

**Homepage** [www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

**Telephone** +371 22043531

**Park area** 24.1 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** English landscape park  
19th century

**Historical owners** Ernst Johann von Biron (1690–1772)  
Alexander Karl Friedrich, Prince  
of Württemberg (1771–1833)  
Alexis von Scheping (1820–1862)  
Karl Theodor von Medem (1805–1890)  
Alexandrine Lieven (1831–1913)  
Elisabeth von Medem (1891–1954)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Freely available

**Manor's  
availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required (the manor  
houses a school)

**Nearest TIC** Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre  
+371 63005445, +371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

The Zaļenieki (Green) Manor Hunting Palace is a unique example of the 18th century architecture of the Duchy of Courland; a high number of important architectural features of the historic interior – the stairs, wall and ceiling paintings, marble tile and parquet floors, ceiling arches, windows and doors – have survived to this day. The park is an integral part of the manor complex; its natural terrain and reservoirs form a romantic landscape. Originally the site featured a decorative garden, or, using the terms of the 18th century, an amusement, orchard and kitchen gardens; they have not survived. The park is home to many unusual and tall trees – silver maple, European larch, red leaf Thunberg's barberry, Swiss stone pine, Japanese spiraea, Crimean linden, oaks, aspens, pines and other trees.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  See the tallest fir tree in Jelgava Local Municipality (more than 40 metres tall)
-  Visit a cultural monument of State significance – the Green Manor hunting palace
-  Find out the story of the Love linden – the tree that has been known by this name for 100 years already





# Abgunste Manor Park

*Address* Abgunste, Zaļenieki Parish,  
Jelgava Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.478111, 23.489278

*Homepage* [www.abgunste.lv](http://www.abgunste.lv)

*Telephone* +371 29393131

*Park area* 2 ha

*Park's style and  
time of creation* Historic orchard (has not survived)  
Around the beginning of the  
19th century

*Historical owners* The Medem family  
(from 1780 to 1899)  
Sergey von der Pahlen  
(from 1899 to 1920)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required

*Nearest TIC* Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre  
+371 63005445, +371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

Even repeat visitors of Abgunste Manor will experience a special feeling and have many pleasant surprises. The manor that was burnt down in 1780 experienced its second rebirth in 1908, when this stone building was constructed; since then, it has retained its appearance. The third rebirth of the manor began in 2016, when the Avotnieki family took over the estate and the site gained the reputation of a place that is full of inspiration, devoted to art and crafts. Abgunste park or garden once consisted of fruit trees; they have not survived to this day. An artistic walking trail and a trail of senses has been created by making use of the old willows along the former Duke's River (now Aile's Brook). The old willows and oaks of the manor house are like the guardians of the site – they have managed to preserve its treasures throughout the centuries.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The "Cherry garden" trail of the senses
-  Visit a cultural monument of State significance – the manor house
-  Play an escape room game





# Vilce Manor Park

*Address* 6 Skolas Street, Vilce Parish,  
Jelgava Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.420863, 23.542457

*Homepage* [www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

*Telephone* + 371 26351169

*Park area* 7 ha (the nearby Vilce Nature Park –  
144 ha)

*Park's style and  
time of creation* English landscape park  
Mid-19th century

*Historical owners* The von Medem family (from 1462  
to 1812)  
The Hahn family (from 1829 to 1920)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's  
availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required (the manor  
houses a school, the Parish administration  
and a tourism information point along  
with a historical exhibition)

*Nearest TIC* Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre  
+371 63005445, +371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

The manor house was built in the middle of the 18th century at the request of Baron von Medem. This is evidenced by the Baroque entrance portal of the building with the Medem and Keyserling alliance coat of arms on the pediment. The Vilce Manor Park was created when the new owners – barons von Hahn – took over Vilce Manor. The park takes up 7 ha; it borders the narrow and winding River Vilce and features terrain that is atypical of Zemgale. Here you can experience and rejoice at the changes brought about by every season, take a stroll down the Baron Trail to the ancient Vilce mound, explore the banks of the Rukūze and Vilce rivers, where sandstone outcrops are exposed, and engage in sporting activities in Zaķi meadow at the foot of the mound. Like Vilce Manor, the park has countless stories and legends that add mystique to natural phenomena and the figures of days long past.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Compete in a disc golf tournament
-  Take a walk in the manor and nature parks
-  Observe the beautiful hilly terrain that is atypical of Zemgale





# Eleja Manor Park

*Address* 1 Parka Avenue, Eleja, Elejas Parish,  
Jelgava Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.422770, 23.701214

*Homepage* [www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

*Telephone* + 371 26128853

*Park area* 13 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* English landscape park  
Early 19th century

*Historical owners* The Tiesenhausen family (from 1583  
to 1716)  
The von Baehr family (from 1716  
to 1753)  
The Medem family (from 1753 to 1920)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Tea house and guided tours available  
(applying in advance)

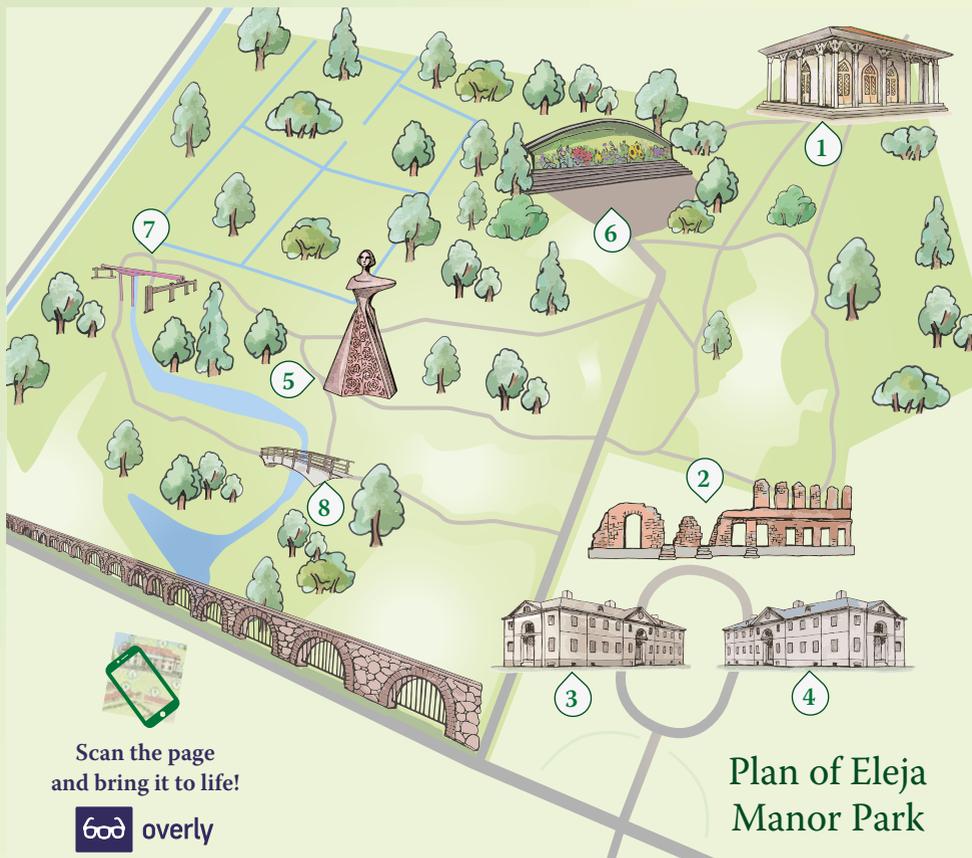
*Nearest TIC* Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre  
+371 63005445, +371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

Eleja Manor complex – once the gem of Courland classicism – is an outstanding architectural monument in Europe. The classical manor house was commissioned by Jeannot Medem and built from 1806 to 1810. Today the manor park is a place for leisurely walks; there the Weymouth pines, common lindens, Siberian fir and wayfaring trees tell stories and legends. Eleja Manor Park is home to 15 venerable trees, and in terms of biodiversity it is an environmental treasure both in Latvia and in Europe. The park features a restored historic network of pathways, a new bridge to the peninsula, and the interactive object “Conversation”, which allows people across the pond to converse even by whispering, if they wish. It also houses the sculpture “For Love” by the sculptor Gļebs Panteļejevs, dedicated to romantic love.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Herbal tea drinking ritual in the Tea house (prior reservation is required)
-  The biodiversity of the park
-  The interactive object “Conversation” and the sculpture “For Love”





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## Plan of Eleja Manor Park

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|  1 Tea house                 |  4 Steward's house       |  7 Interactive object "Conversation" |
|  2 The ruins of Eleja manor |  5 Sculpture "For Love" |  8 Bridge                           |
|  3 Theatre house           |  6 Open-air stage      |   |





# Lielplatone Manor Park

**Address** 7 Alejas Street, Lielplatone,  
Jelgava Local Municipality,  
Latvia

**GPS** 56.452109, 23.659271

**Homepage** [www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

**Telephone** + 371 26611468

**Park area** 11.1 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** English landscape park  
Mid-19th century

**Historical owners** The von Hahn family  
(from 1829 to 1920)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Freely available

**Manor's availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object  
(manor house and  
washhouse)

**Nearest TIC** Jelgava Regional  
Tourism Centre  
+371 63005445  
+371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

The first time Lielplatone (Groß-Platon) was mentioned in chronicles was 1500; in the 17th century the manor was called Schönwerder. The manor complex is surrounded by a large park with ancient alleys, telling secrets about the life in the manor and the olden days with their many stories and legends.

The venerable oak that is more than 300 years old knows the story of this scenic park very well – in spring when chirping birds peer alongside the snowdrops, in the early days of summer when the river bank is adorned by a yellow stretch of wild tulips, in autumn when the trees turn golden and red, and when winter comes, the park wraps itself in a white blanket and peace descends over it. The mouth of the river, where the Sidrabe and Platone rivers meet, forming the River Platone, is home to wild ducks, moorhens and a white swan couple.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The restored washhouse demonstrates an old and fascinating laundry washing ritual
-  Old alleys and specimens of rare tree species
-  Captivating legends





# Kronvircava Manor Park

*Address* 4 Jelgava Street, Vircava,  
Vircava Parish, Jelgava Local  
Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.557016, 23.775089

*Homepage* [www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

*Telephone* + 371 26856466

*Park area* 17.1 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* Baroque garden  
18th century

*Historical owners* The von Brunnow family (from the  
16th century to 1687); Friedrich  
Kasimir (from 1687 to 1721);  
Anna Ioannovna (from 1721 to  
1736); Ernst Johann von Biron  
(from 1736 to 1784); Peter von  
Biron (from 1784 to 1804); Duke  
Ludwig of Württemberg (from  
1804 to 1870); Russian military  
department (from 1870 to 1920)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required

*Nearest TIC* Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre  
+371 63005445, +371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

The manor complex was created in the time period from the 17th to the 19th century; it was designed by the architect Severin Jensen. During the reign of Duke Jacob Kettler (1642–1681), rightly considered the highest point in the history of the Duchy and marked by significant economic activity and trade development, the River Vircava was navigable, and a sailcloth weaver's workshop and a brick and tile kiln operated in Vircava. 18th century Vircava (Würzau) Manor was a favourite out-of-town residence of Peter von Biron, the last Duke of Courland. Although the manor house was destroyed in 1919, the rest of the buildings forming the manor complex have at least partly survived – the northern part of the palace, the Cavalier house (now a school), the granary and a horse riding area (now houses the Culture house), and the household buildings – the stone kitchen, the steward's house, the granary with a feed hopper.

The palace was surrounded by a large baroque garden with a water parterre consisting of a five-pond system. The complex park design also featured an orchard and a pavilion. It started taking shape as a manor garden during the reign of the Duke Friedrich Casimir in 1693. One can feel the historic aura by taking a walk along the linden alley.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A linden alley that is almost 300 years old
-  The rare forest tulips that bloom in spring; they have survived in few manor parks, and here they bloom in full glory
-  A park with a regular layout and the only water parterre in the Baltics



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## Tetele (Tetelminde) Manor Park

*Address* 10 Skolas Street, Tetele, Ozolnieki Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.637100, 23.839530

*Homepage* [www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

*Telephone* + 371 63005445

*Park area* 2.5 ha

*Park's style and time of creation* English landscape park  
First half of the 19th century

*Historical owners* The von Baehr family (from the first half of the 19th century to 1919)

*Park's availability for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability for visitors* The manor house was destroyed during World War I and has not been restored. The viewing tower (part of artificial ruins) has survived; it can only be viewed from the outside

*Nearest TIC* Jelgava Regional Tourism Centre  
+371 63005445, +371 63005447  
[www.visit.jelgava.lv](http://www.visit.jelgava.lv)

On the bank of the River Lielupe, the Tetele tower stands tall; it is the last architectural and historic feature that remains of the once majestic historicist manor complex built by the Barons Baehr. The viewing tower was built for hunting purposes in the second half of the 19th century. About 20 different tree species have survived from the historic manor park; the age of the specimens is notable, and two of the surviving trees are venerable trees. The characteristic Zemgale Plain landscape enchants the visitors who wish to go for a walk no matter the season, and delights with the view of the calmly flowing River Lielupe.

### *3 reasons to visit:*

-  The only historically preserved viewing tower of a manor in Latvia
-  Natural heritage – the characteristic Zemgale landscape along with the River Lielupe
-  A place for peaceful and undisturbed walks







# Mežotne Castle Mound

*Address* Mazmežotne, Rundāle Parish,  
Rundāle Local Municipality,  
Latvia

*GPS* 56.441514, 24.045086

*Homepage* [www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

*Telephone* + 371 63962298

*Park area* 13 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* Unknown  
11th–13th century

*Historical owners* The Semigallian tribes (from  
the 11th to the 13th century)  
The Livonian order  
(from 1321 to 1346)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Castle's availability  
for visitors* The castle was destroyed in 1346  
and has not survived

*Nearest TIC* Bauska Tourism Information  
Centre  
+371 63923797, +371 27746484  
[www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

To experience the might of the medieval Semigallians, you should take a walk along the Mežotne mound that has a rich history dating far back. The Mežotne castle mound is located on a 16-metre high parcel of land; to the east it is cut off by the steep bank of the River Lielupe, and to the north – by a brook ravine. At the foot of the castle's southeast fortifications on the bank of the River Lielupe, the site of an ancient port has been found. During the time from the 11th to the 13th century, on the north, west and southwest of the castle mound, the old town of Mežotne was located. Nature captivates with its beauty at any time of the year, and observant viewers can get to know the unique inhabitants of the mound – the jet ants, grass-snake, the middle spotted woodpecker, as well as storks and bats who are the true rulers of the mound.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The only place in Latvia where archaeological excavation has been carried out along with the restoration of the rampart
-  Archaeological Monument of the Year (2017)
-  The Trail of the Jet Ant – a fascinating and educational activity for both children and adults.





# Mazmežotne Manor Park

**Address** Mazmežotne, Rundāle Parish,  
Rundāle Local Municipality,  
Latvia

**GPS** 56.431024, 24.048450

**Homepage** [www.mazmezotne.lv](http://www.mazmezotne.lv)

**Telephone** + 371 26945226

**Park area** 15 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** Historical orchard  
Early 19th century

**Historical owners** The Lieven family  
(from 1795 to 1939)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required

**Manor's  
availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object  
(the manor houses a hotel)  
Prior reservation is required

**Nearest TIC** Bauska Tourism  
Information Centre  
+371 63923797,  
+371 27746484  
[www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

Enjoy the blend of culture, art and well-maintained environment at the Mazmežotne manor and park! The park is located in the territory of Bauska Nature Park; it is surrounded by the historical manor complex that consists of seven reconstructed buildings. The park is home to many historic apple trees, venerable oak trees, mighty lindens and maples. A delightful aroma fills the park when bird cherries and elderflowers are in bloom. To enhance the beauty of the historical buildings and beautiful landscape of the manor, new trees are planted here – rowans, lilacs, chestnuts, birches, various conifers, large rose bushes, hydrangeas, spiraeas, barberries, smoketrees and many more. Throughout the park you will find well-maintained walking paths, lanterns, and stairs, as well as many benches. Have a drink from a natural spring and learn many facts about the features of the park by making use of the informational stands. Nature lovers will enjoy the silence and Lielupe valley by taking a leisurely stroll along the walking paths and the nature trail. The manor offers a wide and varied range of activities in a historic setting, complemented by a scenic location, rural tranquillity and peace.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A unique sugar beet exposition in the manor premises
-  A great example of modern manor management and tourism
-  A wonderful view of Lielupe valley





# Rundāle Palace Park

*Address* Pilsrundāle, Rundāle Parish,  
Rundāle Local Municipality,  
Latvia

*GPS* 56.413713, 24.024800

*Homepage* [www.rundale.lv](http://www.rundale.lv)

*Telephone* + 371 63962197

*Park area* 85 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* Baroque garden  
Mid-18th century

*Historical owners* Ernst Johann von Biron  
(1690–1772)  
Benigna Gottliebe  
(1703–1782)  
Catherine II (1729–1796)  
Valerian Zubov (1771–1804)  
Platon Zubov (1767–1822)  
Thekla Shuvalova (1801–1873)  
Peter Shuvalov (1827–1889)  
Andrey Shuvalov (1865–1928)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object

*Palace's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object

*Nearest TIC* Bauska Tourism Information  
Centre  
+371 63923797, +371  
27746484  
[www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

Rundāle Palace and its garden is the most outstanding Baroque and Rococo monument of art in Latvia; moreover, it is one of the few European historic Baroque gardens that has retained its original design without major changes until the beginning of its restoration in 1975. Nowadays, all the characteristic features of a Baroque garden have been restored: the ornamental parterre, bosquets surrounded by hedges, the Green Theatre, pergolas and pavilions. The palace park astounds each visitor with its luxuriousness and majesty, the clarity of lines, aristocratic orderliness and great love of work, evidenced by the labour devoted to it. A visit to the park during the period when the roses are in bloom (end of May – mid July) is an unforgettable adventure. The Rundāle Palace rose garden on both sides of the ornamental parterre takes up 1 ha in total; it was created by filling the areas designed by the architect Bartolomeo Francesco Rastrelli (1700–1771). In the 18th century no flowers were planted there, as the garden of the Dukes of Courland was adorned by roses grown in pots only. There are currently 52 circles in the Rundāle Palace rose garden to showcase the rose varieties created by 72 plant breeders from 17 countries. The circles regularly receive new additions, and rose lovers will always find new admirable flower varieties.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  An outstanding example of historic European baroque gardens
-  There are 2230 rose varieties in the rose garden, 600 of which are historical
-  The largest palace garden complex in Latvia, including the Rose garden, the French garden and the hunting park





# Svitene Manor Park

**Address** Svitene, Svitene Parish,  
Rundāle Local Municipality, Latvia

**GPS** 56.378022, 23.932000

**Homepage** [www.rundale.lv](http://www.rundale.lv)

**Telephone** + 371 26524190

**Park area** 10.2 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** Classical park  
Early 19th century

**Historical owners** The Grotthuss family (from 1505 to 1597)  
E. J. von Biron (from 1736 to 1788)  
J. M. von Elmpt (from 1788 to 1802)  
F. von Elmpt (from 1802 to 1893)  
A. L. von Lieven (from 1893 to 1919)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Freely available

**Manor's  
availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required  
(the manor houses a school)

**Nearest TIC** Bauska Tourism Information Centre  
+371 63923797, +371 27746484  
[www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

Svitene Manor Park is a gem of the Zemgale region; hidden away from the oft used roads, it protects its natural treasures: trees that are a hundred years old, the mighty horse chestnut with a hollow trunk, as well as many bird species. The change of seasons is reflected on the banks of the nearby River Īsīce. A great picnic spot where you can imagine the barons' tea drinking ritual a couple of centuries ago.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  One of the most beautiful classical manor houses in Zemgale
-  The stone bridge – a notable feature of the manor complex, fascinating in terms of engineering
-  The park ensemble is made up of rows of trees that are a century old





# Pakruojis Manor Park

**Address** 9 Karciamos Street, Pakruojis Village,  
Pakruojis District Municipality, Lithuania

**GPS** 55.985788, 23.879121

**Homepage** [www.pakruojo-dvaras.lt](http://www.pakruojo-dvaras.lt)

**Telephone** + 370 68665055

**Park area** 8 ha

**Park's style and** English landscape park

**time of creation** Mid-19th century

**Historical owners** The von der Ropp family (1783–1944)

**Park's availability** Freely available unless events held there  
**for visitors** impose restrictions

**Manor's** Available tourism object

**availability** Can only be visited with a guide by  
**for visitors** applying in advance

**Nearest TIC** Pakruojis Business Information Centre  
+370 67327052  
[www.pakruojovic.lt](http://www.pakruojovic.lt)

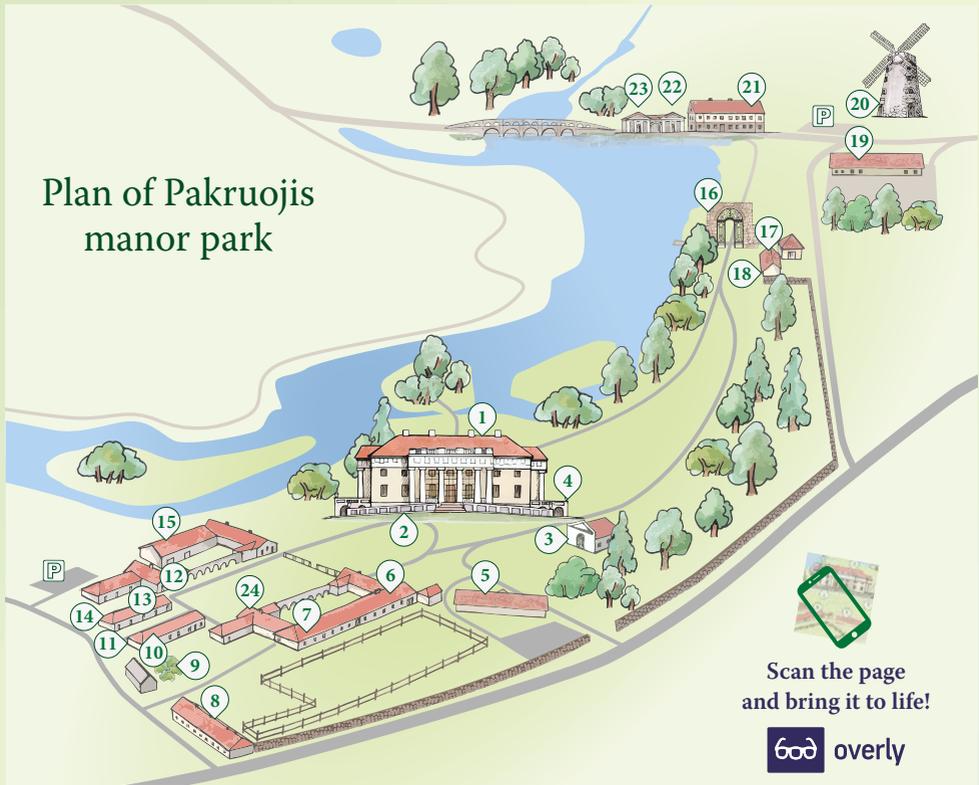
A visit to Pakruojis manor ensemble is a true adventure in terms of attending cultural events and learning history – there is so much to see and do! The manor park complex consists of historic buildings that host exhibitions, as well as wondrous flower gardens – tulips in spring, elderberries and lush rose bushes in summer. Visitors will also be amazed by the more than 100 year old specimens of tree species that were once brought to the landlords as gifts from all over the world. Take a leisurely stroll along the paths in the park; the beauty of the manor and nature will enchant each visitor at any time of year.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The entrance gate – a prominent feature of the manor
-  The manor complex layout has retained its original 1850 design
-  A great place for education, culture and entertainment



## Plan of Pakruojis manor park



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| 1 Manor house /Hotel-museum               | 7 Household shed                          | 14 Punishment museum                       | 20 Windmill/Cinema                              |
| 2 Manor house restaurant                  | 8 Stables                                 | 15 White hall                              | 21 Hotel "Malūnininko namas" ("Miller's House") |
| 3 Costume room/Wool manufactory/Beekeeper | 9 Medicinal herb garden                   | 16 "Gate to Heaven"                        | 22 Water mill / Conference hall                 |
| 4 Perfumery/Photo studio                  | 10 Theatre for children                   | 17 Smithy                                  | 23 Mini SPA                                     |
| 5 Riding area                             | 11 Booking office/ Entrance/Souvenir shop | 18 Bakery                                  | 24 Pottery workshop                             |
| 6 The manor technical equipment museum    | 12 Beer brewery                           | 19 Restaurant "Traktierius" ("The Tavern") |   |
|   | 13 The shed theatre                       |  |   |





# Pakiršiny's Manor Park

<i>Address</i>	8 Parko Street, Pakiršiny's Village, Radviliškis District Municipality, Lithuania
<i>GPS</i>	55.649832, 23.766762
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.pakirsiniodvaras.lt">www.pakirsiniodvaras.lt</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+370 60690102
<i>Park area</i>	Unknown
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	Unknown 18th, 20th century
<i>Historical owners</i>	S. Kerbedis (1810–1899) The Radvilavičiai family (from 1899 to 1919)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	Available tourism object (the manor houses the Centre for Ethnic Culture and Crafts)
<i>Nearest TIC</i>	Tourism and Information Centre of the Library of Radviliškis District Municipality +370 64039298 <a href="http://www.inforadviliskis.lt">www.inforadviliskis.lt</a>

At Pakiršiny's Manor, the synthesis of culture and education manifests itself; this site that is home to outstanding cultural and historical values has become a popular meeting place for the public. The manor once belonged to the bridge engineer Stanislovas Kerbedis (1810–1899), a patron and cultural promoter, and an outstanding figure in Lithuanian history. In the historic park some of its older parts have been preserved, as well as the alley and the pond – a wonderful place for visitors to take a walk.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A chance to discover the history of traditional crafts
-  Regular exhibitions of local artists are held there
-  Life stories of outstanding historical figures





# Baisogala Manor Park

*Address* 12 R. Žebenkos Street, Baisogala,  
Radviliškis District Municipality, Lithuania

*GPS* 55.636697, 23.717185

*Homepage* [www.inforadviliskis.lt](http://www.inforadviliskis.lt)

*Telephone* +370 64039298

*Park area* 12 ha

*Park's style and  
time of creation* English landscape park  
19th century

*Historical owners* H. Skopas (?), P. Korsakas (?), S. Kosecki (?),  
A. and T. Poniatowski (?), P. Zaranka (?),  
E. and A. Chrapowicki (?), J. Komaras (?),  
V. Komaras (?)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Only outside viewing available (the manor  
houses an institute)

*Nearest TIC* Tourism and Information Centre of the  
Library of Radviliškis District Municipality  
+370 64039298  
[www.inforadviliskis.lt](http://www.inforadviliskis.lt)

The majestic and lush Baisogala Manor is one of the proudest manors in Lithuania. Its monumental features enchant every visitor. The manor complex has survived to this day; the central manor building, stables, kitchen and warehouse are open to visitors. Both the architecture and the park's greenery have romantic and neogothic features; the greenery and the picturesque ponds are natural adornments of the manor. The park is home to typical local tree species, as well as unusual and exotic gems – stone pine, silver maples and various types of larch. The park is a wonderful place for leisurely and peaceful walks.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  One of the most outstanding architectural monuments in Lithuania
-  A park that offers scenic variety, suited for peaceful walks
-  A well-preserved manor complex





# Burbiškis Manor Park

**Address** Burbiškis Village, Pakalniškiai Eldership,  
Radviliškis District Municipality, Lithuania

**GPS** 55.782348, 23.897423

**Homepage** [www.daugyvenesmuziejus.lt](http://www.daugyvenesmuziejus.lt)

**Telephone** +370 42256110

**Park area** 28 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** Unknown  
17th century

**Historical owners** A. Drobišius (17th century)  
The Towianski family (first half  
of the 18th century)  
The Strasevich family (second half  
of the 18th century)  
The Bažeński family (from 1819 to 1941)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object

**Manor's availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object

**Nearest TIC** Tourism and Information Centre of the  
Library of Radviliškis District Municipality  
+370 64039298  
[www.inforadviliskis.lt](http://www.inforadviliskis.lt)

The splendour of the park manifests itself most magnificently in springtime during the Tulip Blooming Festival, when about 300 varieties of tulip show off most of the colour spectrum; however, all kinds of flowers continue to delight the visitors until late autumn, when serene peace and silence falls over the park. The various bird songs enthrall the visitors, and the wide range of colours seen throughout the park is an unforgettable experience to the senses. The park is notable for its romantic bridges, and it has a scenic pond with 15 islands and 8 canals that have been created to enhance the scenic qualities of the park's landscape even more.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  More than 40 species of birds identified in the park
-  Cross 11 bridges and make a wish which, as legend has it, will come true
-  One of the oldest manor parks in Lithuania







# Puziniškis Manor Park

<i>Address</i>	Puziniškis Village, Panevėžys District Municipality, Lithuania
<i>GPS</i>	55.868567, 24.065657
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.panrbiiblioteka.lt">www.panrbiiblioteka.lt</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+370 45587046
<i>Park area</i>	1.5 ha
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	English landscape park Early 20th century
<i>Historical owners</i>	The Petkevičiai family (early 20th century) The Maldutiai family (after World War I)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	Available tourism object Prior reservation is required (the manor houses a library and a museum)
<i>Nearest TIC</i>	Panevėžys Tourism Information Centre +370 45508080 <a href="http://www.panevezysinfo.lt">www.panevezysinfo.lt</a>



Puziniškis Manor and park is a place where outstanding historical figures lived and resided. Gabriele Petkevičaitė-Bite (1861–1943) – a prominent social figure and cultural worker, philanthropist and writer was born in Puziniškis and spent most of her life there. Petkevičaitė-Bite's work embodied the philosophy of her father Jonas Leonas Petkevičius (1828–1909), a fascinating personality and a famous doctor, – to enlighten the people of the land and make culture accessible. Her educational and social activities grew into a strong national movement. The manor house has remained almost unchanged since its construction at the turn of the 20th century. The park complements the philosophy of the manor – nature helps one to think and gain the strength to take on and tackle new challenges.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Interesting educational programmes that focus on history
-  A great place for leisurely strolls and an educational adventure
-  A historically significant place during the time when the Lithuanian state was established





# Joniškėlis Manor Park

*Address* Joniškėlis Village, Joniškėlis Eldership, Pasvalys District Municipality, Lithuania

*GPS* 56.032068, 24.168988

*Homepage* [www.joniskelis.lt](http://www.joniskelis.lt)

*Telephone* +370 45138224

*Park area* 20 ha

*Park's style and time of creation* A mix of English and French styles  
Mid 18th century

*Historical owners* The Karpis family  
(from 1723 to 1940)

*Park's availability for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability for visitors* Outside viewing available  
(the manor houses an institute)

*Nearest tourism information provider* Pasvalys Regional Museum  
+370 45134096  
[www.pasvaliomuziejus.lt](http://www.pasvaliomuziejus.lt)

The manor complex consists of two main buildings, built at different times – the newest one is situated in the southwest part of the area and is managed by the Lithuanian Research Centre for Agriculture and Forestry. Joniškėlis Manor Park is involved in many truly scary legends and stories. The park was created in the 18th century, and, as it is divided into two parts (the lovely Mažupė acts as a borderline and creates scenic places in the park), the creators of the park were able to make a combination of two opposing landscape park types – one as an English landscape park, the other as a symmetric French park. The park has many dendrological treasures – you will find both ancient linden trees and exotic tree species. The park is freely available to visitors; however, according to a legend, if you wish to meet the ghost of the baron of the manor, you must come here on a stormy night...

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A spectacular, more than 400 metre long linden alley
-  One of the most beautiful manor parks in Lithuania
-  Features more than 120 local and introduced species





# Astravas Manor Park

<i>Address</i>	17 Astravo Street, Biržai, Lithuania
<i>GPS</i>	56.219232, 24.768545
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.visitbirzai.lt">www.visitbirzai.lt</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+370 68673742
<i>Park area</i>	18 ha
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	Romantic park 19th century
<i>Historical owners</i>	The Tiškevičiai family (from 1841 to 1918) The Variakojis family (from 1918 to 1928)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	Only outside viewing available (the manor houses the administrative office of a linen factory)
<i>Nearest TIC</i>	Biržai Tourism Information Centre + 370 45033496 <a href="http://www.visitbirzai.lt">www.visitbirzai.lt</a>



The temptation of Lake Širvėna beckons visitors to Astravas Manor Park – here you will enjoy a real sense of freedom! The impressive, classic Empire manor house with a romantic *Bellevue* tower is a testament to the luxury of times gone by. In addition to the residential building, the manor complex also consisted of horse stables, the dog-keeper's house, a mill, household buildings, and a dam-bridge. Visitors to Astravas Manor Park are greeted by lions – replicas of the former metal statues that stood at the gate. The original statues were given away as a gift in 1938 for the garden of the Kaunas Vytautas Great War Museum. In 1930, the linen fabric factory “Siūlas” was established in Astravas Manor, and it is still operating. The pedestrian bridge over the lake (built in 1987 and restored in 2019) is truly impressive; it connects the manor territory with Biržai. The bridge is 525 metres long, and it attracts not only anglers and bird watchers but also those who enjoy romantic walks. Crossing the bridge, you will enjoy a truly spectacular view – a vast expanse of water no matter where you look. And if you're lucky, the swan couple may swim near the bridge.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  One of the most beautiful Romantic manor residences in Lithuania
-  The longest wooden pedestrian bridge in Lithuania
-  The oldest artificial lake in Lithuania





# Āne-Mēmele Manor Park

*Address* Mēmele, Skaistkalne Parish,  
Vecumnieki Local Municipality,  
Latvia

*GPS* 56.325381, 24.551219

*Homepage* [www.vecumnieki.lv](http://www.vecumnieki.lv)

*Telephone* +371 26346250

*Park area* 6.8 ha

*Park's style and* English landscape park

*time of creation* Second half of the 19th century

*Historical owners* The von Hahn family (from the  
early 19th century to 1920)

*Park's availability* Freely available  
*for visitors*

*Manor's availability* Only outside viewing available  
*for visitors* (the manor is privately owned)

*Nearest TIP* Vecumnieki Tourism  
Information Point  
+371 22026494  
[www.vecumnieki.lv](http://www.vecumnieki.lv)

The picturesque Āne-Mēmele Park has many shadowy and mysterious places; its mighty trees and ferns are watchful guardians of the manor's legends. Hidden away from all the hustle and bustle, the park offers the opportunity to enjoy being close to nature and the nearness of a forest without any unwanted disturbances. The most observant visitors will be able to count more than 20 stork nests. Here you can see extraordinary trees, – a venerable maple tree and a number of unusual pines, which have claimed this park as a good place to grow. Everyone has a chance to enjoy the colours of each season on the banks of the River Mēmele.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A wonderful place for peaceful and relaxed walks
-  The mysterious little helper
-  The viewing platform is a great place for a picnic or a relaxed conversation





# Brukna Manor Park

*Address* 1 Bruknas Street, Dāviņi Parish,  
Bauska Local Municipality,  
Latvia

*GPS* 56.468483, 24.443337

*Homepage* [www.brukna.lv](http://www.brukna.lv)

*Telephone* +371 25619979

*Garden area* 4 ha

*Garden's style  
and time  
of creation* French Renaissance garden  
Second half of the 18th century,  
21st century

*Historical  
owners* The von Korff family (from  
the mid-18th century to 1920)

*Garden's  
availability for  
visitors* Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required

*Manor's  
availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object  
(manor managed by a public  
organisation)

Prior reservation is required

*Nearest TIC* Bauska Tourism Information  
Centre  
+371 63923797, +371 27746484  
[www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

Brukna Manor Garden is unique in that it is designed so that it does not look like an ideal, overly perfect piece of art. It is alive and breathing, and only in Brukna will you see the earliest type of European garden – the renaissance garden. It has no flowers and bushes in bloom; in the bosquets along the borders imposed by the low hedges you will find cabbages, beetroot, carrots and herbs. Their foliage and colours demonstrate an interesting interplay from spring to late autumn. Such gardens were created by monks in the closed courtyards of European monasteries in the 15th –16th century; only later did the flowers and bushes replace vegetables and aromatic plants. The border dividing it from the other functional areas is a collection of daylilies. Special highlights of the Brukna Manor Garden are the sculptures created by the young sculptor Sandis Aispurs. On the lower terrace of the garden a maze is being created; it is intended as a place for meditation. Its aisles will be marked by a hedge that still has to grow for a few more years. During the warm season, visitors to Brukna Manor can enjoy the tranquil scenery, sitting on the comfortable garden benches.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  One of the rare French Renaissance gardens in Latvia
-  A historically restored maze
-  A chance to see St. Apostles Chapel, a copy of the Armenian Cathedral of Kars that was built in the 10th century





# Bauska Castle and its Park

**Address** Bauska Castle Museum, Pilskalns,  
Bauska, Bauska Local Municipality, Latvia

**GPS** 56.403609, 24.174515

**Homepage** [www.bauskaspils.lv](http://www.bauskaspils.lv)

**Telephone** +371 63923793

**Park area** 3 ha

**Park's style and time of creation** English landscape park  
Second half of the 19th century

**Historical owners** The Livonian Order (from the mid-15th to mid-16th century)  
The Duchy of Courland and Semigallia (from 1562 to 1625)

The Kingdom of Sweden (from 1625 to 1628)

The Kingdom of Poland (from 1628 to 1629)

The Duchy of Courland (from 1629 to 1701)

The Kingdom of Sweden (from 1701 to 1706)

The Russian Empire (from 1795 to 1874)

The Lieven family (from 1874 to 1920)

**Park's availability for visitors** Freely accessible, unless there is a paid event taking place on the open-air stage

**Castle's availability for visitors** Available tourism object

**Nearest TIC** Bauska Tourism Information Centre  
+371 63923797, +371 27746484  
[www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

The Bauska castle mound is a good place for longer walks, during which you can explore the historic Ķirbaksala with its valuable diversity of flora and fauna that is well-worth preserving and see the stream where Mūsa and Mēmele meet. In the park you can participate in tree-counting competitions or watch the wonderful seasonal landscape with the mighty Bauska Castle in the background.

## 3 reasons to visit:

 See the beginning of the River Lielupe where Mūsa and Mēmele meet

 Get to know nature, enjoy cultural events and visit the castle courtyard – all in one place

 See a magnificent view from the mound while watching the spring floods





# Mežotne Palace Park

**Address** 1 Pils Street, Mežotne  
Parish, Bauska Local  
Municipality, Latvia

**GPS** 56.438376, 24.052962

**Homepage** [www.mezotnepalace.com](http://www.mezotnepalace.com)

**Telephone** +371 26595108

**Park area** 10 ha

**Park's style and time  
of creation** English landscape park  
Early 19th century

**Historical owners** The Lieven family  
(from 1797 to 1920)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object

**Palace's availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object  
(the manor houses a hotel)

**Nearest TIC** Bauska Tourism  
Information Centre  
+371 63923797  
+371 27746484  
[www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

Mežotne Palace, or former Mežotne (*Mesothen*) Manor House, is a magnificent gem in the very middle of the Zemgale Plain. The classical manor uses the design of the St. Petersburg court architect Giacomo Antonio Domenico Quarenghi (1744–1817), and it was built by Johann Georg Adam Berlitz (1753–1837) during the time period from 1798 to 1802. The former manor houses – the stables, granaries, servants' and steward's houses – are nearby. The pride of Mežotne is its English landscape park. It consists of three parts – a parade courtyard, a summer park and a winter park. In the middle of the park there is a natural ravine that separates the summer park from the winter park. One of the main pathways leads along the beautiful River Lielupe. The second winds along the eastern side of the park, and in its middle part there is a small hill, creating an optical illusion that the park grows wider. A wonderful place to feel the historical atmosphere of Mežotne and go on leisurely walks.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A great example of modern management of a historic building
-  A wide range of recreation offers
-  The manor complex is a cultural monument of State significance





# Jecava Manor Buildings and Park

*Address* Iecava, Iecava Local Municipality,  
Latvia

*GPS* 56.596075, 24.192267

*Homepage* [www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

*Telephone* +371 29419247

*Park area* 16,6 ha

*Park's style and  
time of creation* English landscape park  
Early 19th century

*Historical owners* The Pahlen family  
(from 1745 to 1922)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

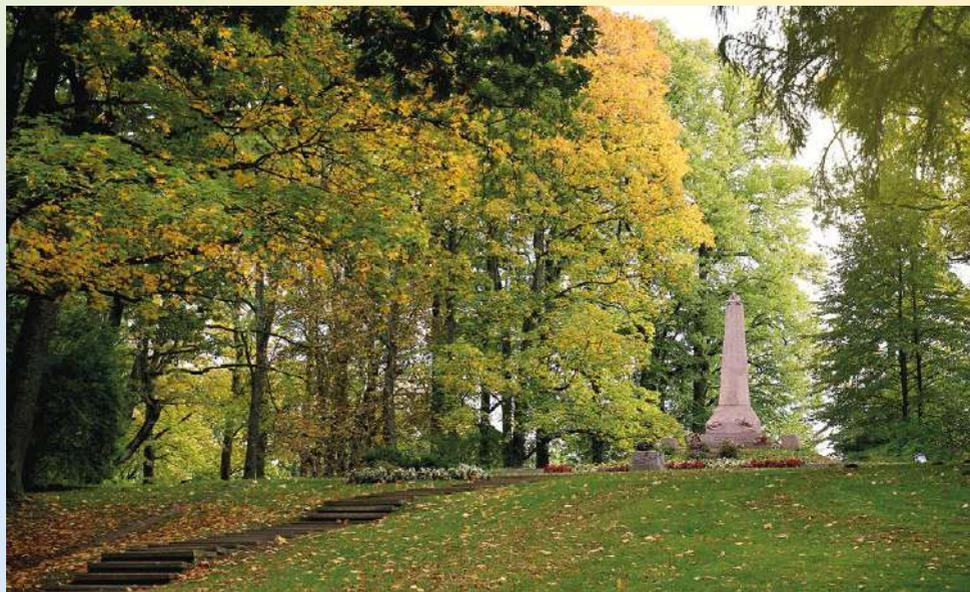
*Manor's  
availability  
for visitors* The manor's main building burnt  
down in 1915 during World War I  
and has not been rebuilt. The manor  
complex library and horse stables  
have survived to the present day and  
are open to visitors

*Nearest TIC* Bauska Tourism Information Centre  
+371 63923797, +371 27746484  
[www.visit.bauska.lv](http://www.visit.bauska.lv)

Iecava Manor Park is full of surprises – it hides unique treasures and unspoilt nature: an observant visitor will find 16 venerable oaks, an oak tree with two trunks that have grown together, the European larch with branches that have an unusual shape, as well as other notable tourism objects. The oldest trees in the park are around 150 to 200 years old. The park functions both as a city park and a historic site – the visitors can enjoy the park's scenery, relax, and see the preserved buildings of the manor complex. Among them is the library that housed one of the largest private book collections of the Russian Empire, a horse stable, the gate guard's house, a laundry house, a bridge over the River Ģedule, and the old granary.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  One of the most outstanding English landscape parks in Latvia
-  Home to 16 venerable trees
-  Cultural monument of State significance (the manor house and its park)





# Third Route

## *Koknese Manor Park and Castle Ruins*

<i>Address</i>	Koknese, Koknese Local Municipality, Latvia
<i>GPS</i>	56.644811, 25.426378
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.visitkoknese.lv">www.visitkoknese.lv</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+371 29275412
<i>Park area</i>	17.98 ha
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	English landscape park Early 20th century
<i>Historical owners</i>	The Löwenstern family (from 1780 to 1920)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	The manor's new castle was bombed in 1915 and has not been restored. The former house of the manor steward and the boulder granary can be viewed from outside
<i>Nearest TIC</i>	Koknese Tourism Information Centre +371 29275412 +371 65161296 <a href="http://www.visitkoknese.lv">www.visitkoknese.lv</a>



Koknese is a site where many notable historic events happened – the park guards the secrets of several centuries, it is home to both the Koknese manor complex built during the turn of the 20th century and the medieval castle ruins from the 13th century. The Koknese medieval castle in the park was abandoned after it was blown up in 1701. The ruins of the castle have survived to this day. In the 18th century, nearby the medieval stone ruins a new manor centre began to take shape. In 1780, Carl Otto von Löwenstern (1755–1833) became the owner of the manor; he owned both the manor and the park until the 1920 agrarian land reform. The park was created in 1900 as a green adornment to the manor ensemble; nowadays, it invites the modern traveller to stop for a moment and enjoy the most beautiful scenes of nature, the proximity of water and the historical heritage. Here you will see unforgettable beauty – from the nature's awakening in spring, to sun filled landscapes in summer, as well as the vibrant changes of colour during autumn and the snow and frost covered landscapes in winter. The park is located at the confluence of two rivers: the River Daugava and the River Pērse. This is the only place in Latvia where you can see a reproduction of the Pērse waterfall; the original waterfall was swallowed up by the depths of the river. Most trees are more than 130 years old.

### *3 reasons to visit:*

- The confluence of the River Daugava and the River Pērse along with the medieval Koknese castle ruins and the park is a true Latvian landscape treasure in Zemgale
- Feel the medieval atmosphere in the Koknese castle ruins by visiting the torture chamber and going on educational tours
- The park's nature trails feature wonderful works of wooden art and old historical evidence



# Plan of Koknese Manor Park and Castle Ruins



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|---|--|----|----------------------------------|----|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | Open air stage   | 8  | John`s Gate                      | 15 | Cast iron cannon                    |
| 2 | Warrior` Cemetery  | 9  | Wooden sculpture                 | 16 | Reproduction of Pērse Waterfall     |
| 3 | Koknese medieval castle ruins                                  | 10 | Koknese Manor`s New Castle ruins | 17 | Koknese manor ensemble              |
| 4 | Boat stop  | 11 | Wooden sculpture                 | 18 | Wooden sculpture                    |
| 5 | Ring-shaped crosses and cast iron cannons of the Swedish times | 12 | Wooden sculpture                 | 19 | Fountain sculpted by V. Jakobsons   |
| 6 | Tea house - Pergola  | 13 | The Swing                        | 20 | Wooden sculpture                    |
| 7 | Memorial stone sculpture                                       | 14 | The Devil`s Cellar               | 21 | Wooden sculpture with Latvian signs |





# Vecbebri Manor Park

<i>Address</i>	Vecbebri, Bebri Parish, Koknese Local Municipality, Latvia
<i>GPS</i>	56.722781, 25.482358
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.visitkoknese.lv">www.visitkoknese.lv</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+371 28662275
<i>Park area</i>	4.2 ha
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	English landscape park First half of the 19th century
<i>Historical owners</i>	The Kronstern family (from the early 17th century to 1690); The Wilcken family (from 1690 to 1868); Heinrich Peter Ruschmann (from 1868 to 1869); Alexander von Meyendorff (from 1871 to 1922)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	Available tourism object Prior reservation is required
<i>Nearest TIC</i>	Koknese Tourism Information Centre +371 29275412, +371 65161296 <a href="http://www.visitkoknese.lv">www.visitkoknese.lv</a>



Vecbebri Manor is noteworthy: its residential building was constructed in the second half of the 19th century according to the conventions of classicism. The manor house was burnt down in 1905; however, it was rebuilt later under the guidance of the prominent architect Wilhelm Ludwig Nikolai Bockslaff (1858–1945). During the restoration, the manor gained an avant-corps: a prominent feature in Art Nouveau architecture. The park was created along with the construction of the manor; unfortunately, due to the turbulent events of the 20th century, it has been severely damaged and is now gradually being cared for and restored. It is a wonderful place for leisurely, peaceful walks and enjoying nature – the mighty manor house is a beautiful addition to the park, which landscape lovers will surely appreciate.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A place for leisurely walks enjoying the beauty of the seasons
-  The manor house is a notable monument of architecture
-  The manor park has preserved its primeval nature which can still be felt, especially when taking a lantern-lit walk at night





# Odziena Palace Park

**Address** "Zemgāļi", Odziena, Vietalva Parish, Pļaviņas Local Municipality, Latvia

**GPS** 56.712222, 25.685833

**Homepage** [www.odzienasmuiza.lv](http://www.odzienasmuiza.lv)

**Telephone** +371 20533333

**Park area** 3.1 ha

**Park's style and time of creation** Open plan park  
Second half of the 19th century

**Historical owners** The Brummer family  
(from 1745 to 1920)

**Park's availability for visitors** Freely available

**Palace's availability for visitors** Available tourism object (the manor territory has a guest house available)

Prior reservation is required

**Nearest TIC** Pļaviņas Tourism Information Centre  
+371 22000981  
[www.plavinunovads.lv](http://www.plavinunovads.lv)

Odziena Palace and park have gone through both good and very difficult times. The Odziena Manor economic complex was once very large – it had more than 30 different buildings. At the moment, three of them have been completely reconstructed – the old tavern, the barn and the brewery. The park is located in the area adjacent to the palace, and it includes a pond, an alley and the planted trees. Odziena Manor Park features a geometric pattern, consisting of symmetrical rectangular linden groves that were once pruned and reservoirs. The old manor ponds with their islands and large trees that bear witness to the ages past add to the charm of the site. The manor area was severely damaged during the riots of 1905 and during World War I, and it was not managed at all for a long time. Today, the complex is experiencing its revival – the grandeur of Odziena will shine once again in the hands of caring owners.

## 3 reasons to visit:

 Built in the 1860s, Odziena Palace is considered to be one of the most impressive neogothic buildings in Latvia

 Enjoy home-made beer in the restored brewery; the beer is made in accordance with the old brewing traditions

 Engage in exciting leisure activities in the manor park





# Marinzeja Manor Park

<i>Address</i>	"Marinzeja", Atašiene Parish, Krustpils Local Municipality, Latvia
<i>GPS</i>	56.559117, 26.379681
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.krustpils.lv">www.krustpils.lv</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+371 26522932
<i>Park area</i>	5,14 ha
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	English landscape park Mid-19th century
<i>Historical owners</i>	Joseph Casimir Peter Michael von der Borch (1804–1881) Theodor von der Borch (1869–1955) Tariel Loris-Melikov (?)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	Available tourism object Prior reservation is required (the manor houses a school)
<i>Nearest TIC</i>	Jēkabpils Tourism Information Centre +371 65233822, +371 25905256 <a href="http://www.jekabpils.lv">www.jekabpils.lv</a>



Marinzeja Manor offers beautiful, scenic landscapes and unusual life stories of its multiple owners; it was built by Count Joseph Casimir Peter Michael von der Borch (1804–1881) on the shores of Lake Marija (*Mariensee*) from 1845 to 1847. The original layout of the centre of the Marinzeja manor complex is typical of the late Classicism, having a strictly axial overall composition, which is also observed in the overall layout of the park. This is the perfect place to enjoy the tranquillity and beauty of nature – the Marinzeja Manor area enchants with its treasured landscapes, the interplay of light and shade on the hilly terrain, the aroma of the forest and the meadows in bloom.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  One of the newest manor houses in Latvia
-  A monument of classical architecture
-  Enjoy the recreation activities by the lake





# Kenn Manor Park

**Address** 19 Dambja Street,  
Jēkabpils, Latvia

**GPS** 56.494499, 25.873800

**Homepage** [www.jekabpils.lv](http://www.jekabpils.lv)

**Telephone** +371 65233822

**Park area** 4.1 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** English landscape park  
End of the 19th century

**Historical owners** Alfred Kenn  
(1853–1917)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Freely available

**Manor's  
availability  
for visitors** Only outside viewing  
available (the manor  
houses a school)

**Nearest TIC** Jēkabpils Tourism  
Information Centre  
+371 65233822  
+371 25905256  
[www.jekabpils.lv](http://www.jekabpils.lv)

Kenn Park, located in the heart of Jēkabpils, was created after Alfred Kenn moved his liqueur factory “Joh.Kenn” liqueur factory from Stukmaņi to Jēkabpils in the 1870s. The company was located in Kenn Manor, and it produced up to 50,000 bottles of various liqueurs every year. During the first years of the first independence period of Latvia, Kenn Liqueur Factory products were sold in all the best restaurants and liquor stores throughout the country.

As you can imagine, the unusual name of the park is derived from an aristocratic surname; in the park you will find a well-preserved manor house, also called the White House.

The owner of the manor had a special passion for planting trees and creating parks; moreover, its design follows the 3Es principle: it is ecological, economical and (a)esthetic. The Kenn Park features predominantly local species of trees and shrubs, making it a wonderful holiday destination for city guests.

In 2018, the historic open air stage was restored; it has hosted fun open-air parties at all times.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The park is guarded by a venerable tree of State significance – a European larch
-  The manor complex buildings (the manor house, stables, barn) can be viewed from outside
-  A green oasis for relaxation in the centre of the city, with many notable objects of interest in the surrounding area





# Zasa Manor Park

<i>Address</i>	Zasa, Zasa Parish, Jēkabpils Local Municipality, Latvia
<i>GPS</i>	56.292070, 25.975292
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.jekabpilsnovads.lv">www.jekabpilsnovads.lv</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+371 22335439
<i>Park area</i>	23 ha
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	18th century English landscape park
<i>Historical owners</i>	The Saß family (from the 17th century to mid 18th century) The Greig family (from the end of the 18th century to the early 20th century)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	The manor's main building has not survived; it was burnt down in 1905 riots and has not been restored
<i>Nearest tourism information provider</i>	"Selonian Skills Museum" of Jēkabpils Local Municipality +371 25465787 <a href="http://www.jekabpilsnovads.lv">www.jekabpilsnovads.lv</a>



Zasa Manor Park, the subject of many legends and stories, will take you on a walk that offers both many activities and romantic landscapes. The picturesque ponds and bridges, the trees and a hundred year old oak grove are treasures well worth visiting. The composition of the park follows the features characteristic of the romantic 18th century landscape park. Indigenous tree species were used, such as larch, silver willow, Weymouth pine and other dendrological treasures. Forbs such as the giant knotweed, balloon flowers and others are arranged in large groups. After the long walk, the guests are welcome to relax and gain new energy in the "Cukurkalniņš" gazebo.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A hundred year old oak grove
-  Horseback riding in the romantic atmosphere of the park
-  A chance to visit a holy site of the ancient Selonians – a legend claims that its water can heal many ailments





# Asare Manor Park

*Address* Asare, Akniste Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.117678, 25.884698

*Homepage* [www.akniste.lv](http://www.akniste.lv)

*Telephone* +371 65237751

*Park area* 6.1 ha

*Park's style and time of creation* Romantic landscape park  
18th century

*Historical owners* The Weiss family (from 1569 to 1748);  
Grünberg-Altenbockum (from 1748 to 1756); Holtey (from 1756 to 1832);  
The Walther-Witenheim family (from 1832 to 1920)

*Park's availability for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability for visitors* Outside viewing of the manor available – the manor house (palace) burnt down in 1927 and has not

been restored Ruins and household buildings available for viewing

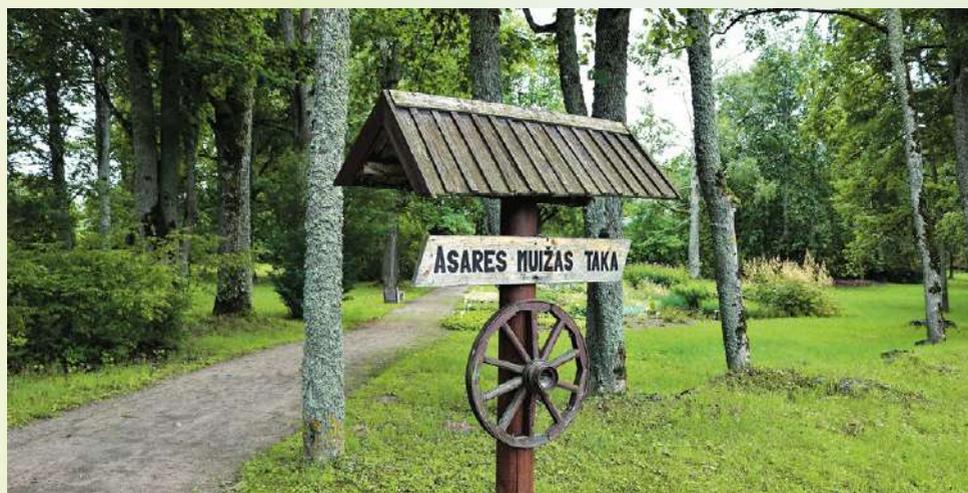
*Nearest TIP* Akniste Local Municipality Tourism Information Point  
+371 65237751  
[www.akniste.lv](http://www.akniste.lv)

This small Romantic landscape park with dendrological plantings was created in the 18th century, with the manor house – palace as the central compositional element; this is one of the earliest neogothic buildings in Augšzeme. In the summer of 1919, the headquarters of Augškurzeme partisan regiment were located in the palace.

In the second half of the 19th century, the park expanded closer to the church, in part making use of a fan shape, with gaps and clusters of exotic trees in the back. It is notable for being one of the three oldest parks in Latvia where the central perspective is from the palace to the church tower. 24 local and 28 introduced tree and shrub species can be seen there. Exotic trees such as the Siberian fir, Douglas fir, green ash, Amur grape, 'Schwedleri' Norway maple and other species grow here, as well as two venerable linden trees. The health trail will introduce you to many medicinal herbs and evergreens, along with the view of the 19th century manor buildings.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Romantic landscape park with palace ruins
-  Health trail and 28 introduced tree and shrub species
-  Historic manor household buildings have been preserved





# Gārsene Palace Park

**Address** "Lābieši", Gārsene Parish,  
Aknīste Local Municipality,  
Latvia

**GPS** 56.099400, 25.809800

**Homepage** [www.garsenespils.lv](http://www.garsenespils.lv)

**Telephone** +371 26367150

**Park area** 11 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** English landscape park  
19th century

**Historical owners**  
The Budberg family  
(from 1583 to 1921)

**Park's availability for  
visitors** Available tourism object

**Palace's availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object

**Nearest TIP** Aknīste Local Municipality  
Tourism Information Point  
+371 26367150  
[www.agniste.lv](http://www.agniste.lv)

The Gārsene neogothic manor house – palace (built in 1856–1860, right wing of the building – from 1883 to 1885) was where 11 generations of the Budberg family ruled and resided until 1921. The palace is a place of recreation and a tourism object where you can stay for the night, organise parties, exhibitions and other events. The room that houses the history exposition of the parish has a unique tile stove (an art monument of State significance), built in the 19th century from white glazed tiles with Delft-blue paintings.

The park is a great place for retracing the footsteps of the barons, as it is said that this was a favourite place for evening walks for the baron. Here you can discover unique nature objects – river meanders, the Dienvidsusēja valley, the common stinkhorn alley, venerable trees, secular stones and a pine tree with seven tops. The visitors can also touch the Chicken foot, look into the distance through the Witch's binoculars and attend creative workshops or participate in plein air painting at the creative residence "Debessjums".

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A wonderful monument of architecture and an outstanding manor complex
-  The nature trail features unique nature objects
-  Enjoy the silence and wonderful views of nature





# Ilzenbergas Manor Park

**Address** 4 Ilzenbergas Village, Juodupė Eldership,  
Rokiškis District Municipality, Lithuania

**GPS** 56.159582, 25.524364

**Homepage** [www.ilzenbergas.lt](http://www.ilzenbergas.lt)

**Telephone** +370 69644004

**Park area** 14 ha

**Park's style and time of creation** English landscape park  
Second half of the 19th century

**Historical owners** Von Kerssenbrock family (from 1515 to 1616)  
W. Heyck (from 1616 to 1642)  
N. von Korff (from 1642 to 1653)  
E. von Sacken (from 1653 to 1677)  
M. E. von Korff (from 1677 to 1687)  
The Rutenberg family (from 1687 to 1863)  
N. N. Fuchs (from 1863 to 1896)  
The Dymcza family (from 1896 to 1940)

**Park's availability for visitors** Available tourism object

**Manor's availability for visitors** Available tourism object

**Nearest TIC** Rokiškis Tourism and Traditional Crafts  
Information and Coordination Centre  
+370 45851044, +370 61000610  
[www.rokiskiotic.lt](http://www.rokiskiotic.lt)

At Ilzenberg, no visitor will remain indifferent. According to the documents, the manor dates back to 1515. As Ilzenberg is a centre of economic activity, lively and active life has always been one of its characteristic features. The scenic, well-maintained English landscape park that takes up 15 hectares will move each and every visitor. The artistic sculptures and hillside slopes by Lake Ilgis, where the Bridge of Love leads to Love Island – the subject of many legends – are indeed a sight for sore eyes! Since 1963, Ilzenberg Manor Park is a protected site of State significance; 23 species of trees grow there. In 2013, the largest oak tree in Ilzenberg Manor Park was declared a state-protected natural heritage asset. The size of its mighty trunk is 6.3 metres, diameter – 2 metres, height – 30.5 metres, age – 500 years. A wonderful place both for relaxation and enriching entertainment!

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Visit the sculpture park created to honour the centenary of Lithuania
-  The only fully restored manor to receive the award “Most Attractive Cultural Tourism Destination in Lithuania” (2017)
-  An excellent example of a combination of farming and tourism





# Rokiškis Manor Park

<i>Address</i>	5 Tyzenhauzu Street, Rokiškis, Lithuania
<i>GPS</i>	55.965382, 25.600901
<i>Homepage</i>	<a href="http://www.muzejusrokiskyje.lt">www.muzejusrokiskyje.lt</a>
<i>Telephone</i>	+370 61544586
<i>Park area</i>	28 ha
<i>Park's style and time of creation</i>	English landscape park End of the 18th century
<i>Historical owners</i>	The Tysenhaus family (from the end of the 18th century to 1880) The Przedziecki family (from 1880 to 1940)
<i>Park's availability for visitors</i>	Freely available
<i>Manor's availability for visitors</i>	Available tourism object
<i>Nearest TIC</i>	Rokiškis Tourism and Traditional Crafts Information and Coordination Centre +370 45851044 +370 61000610 <a href="http://www.rokiskiotic.lt">www.rokiskiotic.lt</a>

If you want to listen to an open air concert where birds take centre stage, visit Rokiškis Manor Park where the pond is ruled by a regal black swan couple. The park is shaped like a circle in order to accentuate the grandeur of the manor even more; being well cared for and maintained, it has retained the original design. Look no further than the three ancient linden alleys if you wish to go on a romantic walk. Rokiškis Regional Museum is located in the former manor complex: 16 authentic buildings in a park covering more than 28 ha, including many ponds. The museum holds about 70,000 exhibits. The manor territory hosts the wooden artworks of the sculptor Lionginas Šepka (1907–1985), well known throughout Lithuania. His wooden compositions, sculptures, and bas-reliefs astound with their originality, unusual technique and Šepka's particular approach to the narrative. The 7-hall exposition will delight every visitor. After a lengthy walk in the park, the museum offers a variety of ways to spend your time, educating yourself and gaining historical insights. It is a great destination for exploring the region's cultural history, viewing valuable exhibits and participating in creative workshops.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A regal couple of black swans
-  The manor is home to a nearly 80 year old regional museum that houses valuable collections
-  The manor and park ensemble are among the finest examples of classicism in Lithuania



# Plan of Rokiškis Manor Park



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| <b>1</b> Manor house   | <b>5</b> Main gates                           | <b>10</b> Black swans  |
| <b>2</b> Servants' quarters (office) (now – exhibition halls)                    | <b>6</b> Gatekeeper's house                   | <b>11</b> Former brewery                                     |
| <b>3</b> Servants' quarters (office) (now – L. Šepka wooden carvings exposition) | <b>7</b> Barn - Exposition of Christmas cribs | <b>12</b> Servants building                                  |
| <b>4</b> Rokiškis regional museum administration                                 | <b>8</b> Playground                           | <b>13</b> Former forge – (now – education classes, workshop) |
|  | <b>9</b> Fallow deer enclosure                |  |





# Salos Manor Park

*Address* Parko Street, Salos, Rokiškis District  
Municipality, Lithuania

*GPS* 55.810662, 25.370669

*Homepage* [www.rokiskiotic.lt](http://www.rokiskiotic.lt)

*Telephone* +370 61000610

*Park area* 7 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* Unknown  
16th century

*Historical owners* The Sieniawski family (from 1555 to 1566)  
J. Radziwill (from 1567 to 1589)  
M. Konopacki (from 1589 to 1631)  
K. R. the Younger (from 1632 to 1661)  
The Moriconi family (from 1661 to 1855)  
The Tyzenhaus family (from 1855 to 1880)  
The Pszezdziecki family (from 1880 to  
the mid-20th century)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

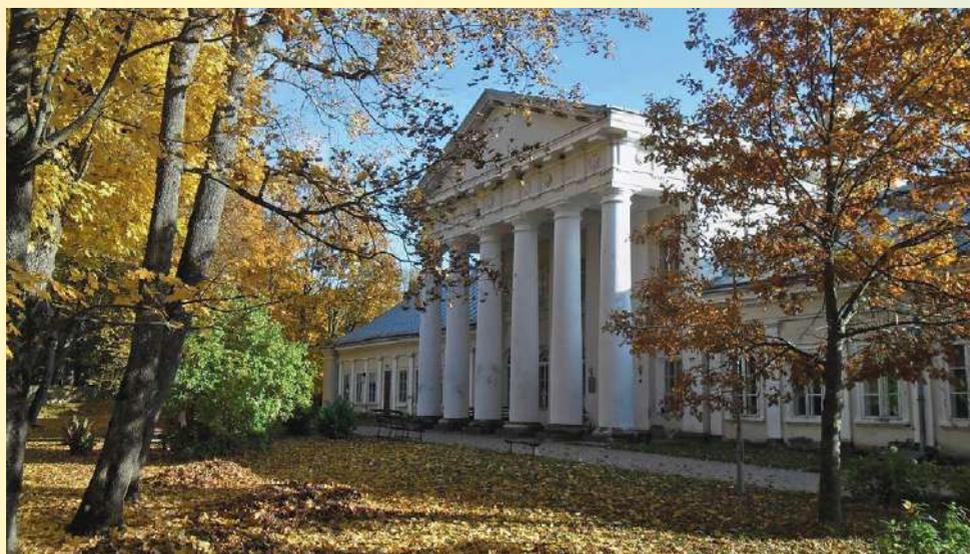
*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object

*Nearest TIC* Rokiškis Tourism and Traditional Crafts  
Information and Coordination Centre  
+370 45851044, +370 61000610  
[www.rokiskiotic.lt](http://www.rokiskiotic.lt)

Salos Manor Park is one of the oldest of its kind in Lithuania, with its beginnings dating back to around 16th century; however, the manor with the surrounding park seen nowadays was created in around the mid-19th century. It holds many secrets and treasures of nature – poplars that are 200 years old, rare bird species, as well as 4 bat species, all inviting an observant visitor to create their own kaleidoscope of perceptions. The manor park complex is an architectural gem featuring a mix of different styles; once upon a time a famed party venue, nowadays patiently awaiting a new rebirth.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The manor complex is located on an island in the middle of Lake Dviragis
-  Outstanding poplar specimens, with one of them reaching 1.9 metres in diameter
-  Once famous bear hunting grounds





# Adomynė Manor Park

*Address* 3 A. Vileniškių Street, Adomynė,  
Kupiškis District Municipality,  
Lithuania

*GPS* 55.748808, 25.30464

*Homepage* [www.infokupiskis.lt](http://www.infokupiskis.lt)

*Telephone* +370 61129113

*Park area* 3 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* English landscape park  
Early 19th century

*Historical owners* The Plater family (in the 16th century)  
The Žurauskas family (from the 17th  
century to the 19th century)  
A. Vileniškis (from 1880 to 1921)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* Available tourism object

*Nearest TIC* Kupiškis District Municipality  
Tourism and Business  
Information Centre  
+370 45952505  
[www.infokupiskis.lt](http://www.infokupiskis.lt)

Adomynė Manor Park is a wonderful place to hide away from the daily rush – the wonderful aroma of linden honey intoxicates in spring, the beauty of the bright pink roses delights in summer, and in the evenings you can always enjoy the singing of a choir of frogs. The autumn dazzles with its golden carpets of leaves, and when the winter comes, the trees wrap themselves in white blankets, and a serene silence descends over the place. Enjoy the glory of all four seasons on Love Alley, which is a century old. And the park has hidden treasures in the form of rare tree species as well – the Amur cork tree, northern red oak, the Manchurian walnut and others. Nowadays, the manor is both a place providing medical services and a local culture centre offering fascinating educational programmes, themed tours, tastings of local delicacies and performances of artists cherishing the old traditions.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  A wonderful example of restored wooden manor architecture and a well-maintained park where cultural events are held
-  Improve your skills and knowledge in creative workshops
-  A chance to taste the special Adomynė “Pagrabines” pastries





# Ērberģe Manor Park

**Address** 1 Skolas Street, Ērberģe, Mazzalve Parish,  
Nereta Local Municipality, Latvia

**GPS** 56.364667, 25.017328

**Homepage** [www.neretasnovads.lv](http://www.neretasnovads.lv)

**Telephone** +371 29339832

**Park area** 7.8 ha

**Park's style and  
time of creation** English landscape park  
Mid-19th century

**Historical owners** Heinrich Zellem (?)  
The Wolff family (from 1582 to 1686)  
The Fittinghof family (from 1686 to 1703)  
The Taube family (from 1703 to 1806)  
The von Hahn family (from 1806 to 1920)

**Park's availability  
for visitors** Freely available

**Manor's  
availability  
for visitors** Available tourism object  
Prior reservation is required  
(the manor houses a school)

**Nearest TIP** Mazzalve Parish Tourism  
Information Point  
+371 29339832, +371 26156535  
[www.neretasnovads.lv](http://www.neretasnovads.lv)

Visitors of the park have the opportunity to enjoy the company of the Blue Lady while exploring the nature, culture and historical treasures of Ērberģe. The Legend trail tells many stories of the former owners of the manor, but the trees of the park keep many secrets that can only be learnt by coming here. The greatest treasures of the park are its nine venerable trees, such as the Norway maple (its trunk reaches 3.8 metres in diameter; the tree bears the name of the Ērberģe maple), the spindle, the small-leaved lime. The local Eurasian jays, woodpeckers and owls will make sure that your visit to the park does not go by without musical accompaniment, and the hazels, barberries and hawthorns beckon you to go on an open air tasting in autumn. After a longer walk visitors are welcome to taste the special witch's delicacy.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  The exciting Legend trails
-  A walk together with the Blue Lady
-  A chance to taste the special witch's delicacy





# Vigante Manor Park

*Address* "Vigante", Staburags Parish, Jaunjelgava  
Local Municipality, Latvia

*GPS* 56.574270, 25.496108

*Homepage* [www.jaunjelgava.lv](http://www.jaunjelgava.lv)

*Telephone* +371 29892925

*Park area* 17.6 ha

*Park's style and  
time of creation* English landscape park  
18th century

*Historical owners* Christopher von Hohenasteneberg-  
Wigandt (?), The Kröger family (?),  
Friedrich von Riediger (1783–1856),  
Konstantin von Rengarten (1864–1906),  
The Brinken family (?), The Witten  
family (?), The Stempel family (?),  
The von Baehr family (?)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

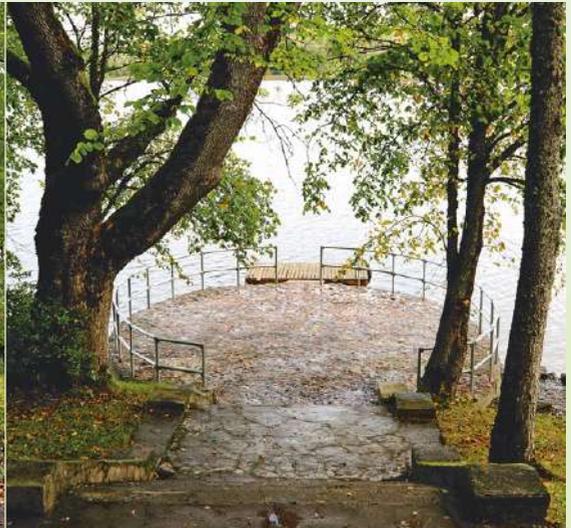
*Manor's  
availability  
for visitors* The manor buildings were destroyed in  
1917 during World War I and have not  
been restored

*Nearest TIP* Jaunjelgava Tourism Information Point  
+371 29391109, +371 29892925  
[www.jaunjelgava.lv](http://www.jaunjelgava.lv)

The Vigante Manor Park holds a wealth of historical and cultural evidence, and the grandeur of the park can be felt throughout many stories and legends. A wonderful landscape park by the River Daugava; after the flooding of the Daugava to create the hydroelectric power plant, it serves as a memorial to the lost Staburags – once the highest waterfall in Latvia. The park is also home to several oak trees planted by presidents during Latvia's first independence. The walking trails will take you on a wonderful season meditation: in spring, you will experience the sea of blue forget-me-nots and bird songs, in summer you will see the Daugava anemones and lindens in bloom, in autumn the leaves of the venerable trees will change colour and you will be able to enjoy the hazelnuts, and in winter the River Daugava will enchant you with its tranquil flow.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Go on a tour by the boat "Vigante"
-  Share memories of lost natural and cultural treasures – the Staburags cliff, Liepavots (the Linden spring), the open air Song Festival stage
-  See 41 exotic tree species – sweet gum hazels, Sessile oak, the English walnut and others





# Skrīveri Dendrological Park

*Address* Skrīveri Dendrological Park,  
Daugavpils – Rīga highway,  
Latvia

*GPS* 56.617106, 25.057759

*Homepage* [www.skriveri.lv](http://www.skriveri.lv)

*Telephone* +371 28633643

*Park area* 16.9 ha

*Park's style and time  
of creation* English landscape park  
End of the 19th century

*Historical owners* August von Sivers (1825–1876)  
Friedrich Maximilian Oscar  
von Sivers (1857–1919)

*Park's availability  
for visitors* Freely available

*Manor's availability  
for visitors* The manor house has not  
survived. During World War I,  
the palace was completely  
destroyed; it has not been  
restored since

*Nearest TIP* Skrīveri Tourism  
Information Point  
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In autumn, the Skrīveri Dendrological Park offers wonderful tastings of natural delights, such as nuts, barberries and wild apple-tree fruits; the park has a rich history, but from the former glory a valuable park has been preserved: it has 380 specimens of unusual species that have been placed into 19 areas of foreign flora. Each season has its own wonders – the spring delights with the blooms of blue, yellow, pink and white liverleaves, above which caryas sway like long curls of hair. In summer, visitors are intoxicated by the rich aroma of lindens, and the long aments of the pterocarya and distinct features of the Turkish hazel are always a surprise. In autumn, when the leaves are falling, the katsura enchants with the lovely scent resembling sweet candy, the beaked hazelnut – with the particular shape of the nut, and no one has ever been left indifferent by the thimbleberry. And in autumn, during the time of the bitter frost, the American witch-hazel takes bloom.

## 3 reasons to visit:

-  Discover and see 30 tree species that are rare on the global scale
-  Watch the change of seasons reflected in the Daugava landscape from two 17 metre high park terraces
-  Discover interesting park management solutions



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