



RAUNA
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RAUNA MUNICIPALITY

TRAVEL GUIDE

2020

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Rauna's center map

1. Rauna Evangelical Lutheran Church
Its origins can be sought in the 14th century; it has experienced many destruction and reconstruction periods; the latest reconstruction works were performed in 1937, under the supervision of the architect Pauls Kundziņš. There are still two Livonian style reliefs visible on the church facade, which are unique monuments of Latvian 14th-15th century art history.
3 Valmiera Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.3320146, 25.6094683

2. Rauna Roman Catholic Church
In 1939, dean A. Piebalgs lease-purchased a two-story building for the church from the State Bank. A chapel was set up in the upper story, with a multi-room apartment for the guard in the lower story. After World War Two, vicar Jānis Svilāns was the first one to hold a service in Rauna. Starting in 1963, dean J. Jaskovičs has been living in Rauna. He transformed the simple chapel into a nice church with pillars, plaster ornaments, altars, a beautiful confessional and benches.
10 Jaunatnes Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.33859894, 25.6088902

3. Monument to Jānis Cimze
The great Latvian composer and the founder and director of the Vidzeme Teacher Seminar Jānis Cimze (1814-1881). Born in Cimza Folwark of Rauna Parish and gained his first education in the Rauna Parochial School. In his honour, a monument created by the sculptor Romualds Getauts was revealed at the centre of Rauna in 1989.
2 Vidzemes Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.331809, 25.610264



*Attractions which require prior registration



4. Bas-relief Dedicated to the Sculptor Kārlis Baumanis
Celebrating the centenary of the sculptor, graphic artist and arts historian Kārlis Baumanis (1916-2011), a bas-relief by the sculptor Olita Nigule was revealed in September of 2016 next to the building on 6 Valmiera Street, Rauna. In 1959, K. Baumanis became a fellow of the Artists' Union of Latvia. In 1976, he received the title of Honoured Art Worker of the Latvian SSR.
6 Valmiera Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.333920, 25.608553

5. Nature Gallery
In the centre of Rauna, five Romanesque and Gothic style gallery stands are set up next to the city council hall. In this venue, the galleries are replaced after a certain period of time. Therefore, when returning to Rauna, everyone has the chance to see something new. The gallery's artworks are available throughout the day. The stands are lit up at night.
2 Vidzeme Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality.
GPS 57.331809, 25.610264

6. Trail with Tourism Elements
Recreational area, a trail created for children and youths in the historical Rauna Park, with a view of the Rauna Castle Ruins. An endurance obstacle course has been placed between the trees of the park.
Rauna Park, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.332325, 25.611945

7. Interactive Learning and Nature Trail in the Castle Ruin Territory
A nature trail with various elements, which serve as a game and, at the same time, as a portrayal of the laws of physics. The trail teaches about the laws of physics, such as oscillation, velocity, finding the centre of gravity and many more.
Rauna Park, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.332325, 25.611945

8. Nature Trail
The nature trail is set up along the right and left coast of the Rauna River. The nearly two-kilometres-long trail offers nature and history diversity during various seasons. The white sandstone outcrops, the rocky Rauna riverbed and the industrial heritage interchanges with the stately Tanisa Castle Mound, the mysterious "Velnaļa" (Devil's Cave) and the untouched corners of nature. The nature trail has various elements promoting physical activity. The trail starts on Česu Street near the bridge over Rauna River or Valmiera Street near the bridge over Rauna River. GPS 57.333242, 25.608686

9. Wooden Water Pipe
During the restoration of Rauna Park in the spring of 2014, workers unearthed several wooden water pipes. Up to the reconstruction of the Rauna Water Management System in the 1960s, water was procured from the well in the park and supplied to the consumers via wooden water pipes. One of the wooden water pipes is exhibited in the park.
Rauna Park, Park Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality.
GPS 57.330870, 25.615552

10. Rauna Castle Ruins and the Observation Tower
Rauna Castle was built in the second half of the 14th century and was one of the main residences for the Archbishop of Riga during winter—from October until February. It has endured a total of 9 attacks and now is one of the largest and most well-preserved castle ruins in Latvia. Visitors have the opportunity to climb the observation tower, by previously contacting the Rauna Tourism Information Centre.
GPS 57.330639, 25.612079

11. Freedom Monument
The monument created by the sculptor Kārlis Zemēds, dedicated to the fallen members of the Rauna congregation during World War One. As one of the unrealized Riga Freedom Monument variants, it was unveiled in 1933. The base of the monument has lyrics from the Latvian National Anthem "Dievs, svētī Latviju!" (God Bless Latvia).
1 Rīga Street, Rauna, Rauna municipality
GPS 57.330426, 25.610191

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Rauna Cemetery
On June 29, 1773, Rev. Michael Wurm consecrated an 11.2 hectare large Rauna Cemetery. Until then, it was located near Rauna Church. Land for cemetery maintenance gave Castle Manor owner Prince Orlov. In the new cemetery, Jacob from "Aljēnu" home was buried for the first time. Since then cemetery is also called the Hill of Jacob. In the area there are placed monuments for significant historical persons, such as J. Krēslīns, P. Neļijs and V. Čukerbekers. Cemetery festival is traditionally held on the first Saturday of July each year, on July 4 this year. "Rauna Cemetery", Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, LV-4131
GPS 57.349556, 25.616611

12. Farmers' Association House
The impressive building located in the centre of Rauna was built in 1909 in the style of national romanticism. Funds for the construction of the building were acquired from donations of the largest public organisations of Rauna Parish. During the 1920s-30s, the building contained the social gathering hall of the parish, the shop of the Farmers' Association, warehouse and a canteen, as well as a small hotel and office rooms. Nowadays several stores are situated in the building.
1 Rīga Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.331013, 25.609736

13. Domestic Producer Shop "Latvijas Kiploks"
There are rumours that since ancient times this area, Ronnenburg and in its vicinity, produced excellent food and goods. Inhabitants of Rauna say that even Kings from the furthest of lands were coming to get their hands on them. And today great products with a modern twist can be found here, which are all available in the little shop "Latvijas Kiploks" LTD. Open: M, T, W, T, F, S (During the tourism season—also on Sundays) from 9:00-16:00, or by applying in advance.
4 Česu Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality,
+371 22471245 www.latvijaskiploks.lv
GPS 57.331369, 25.607564

14. Rauna Mill

The mill is said to have been here since the beginning of the 17th century. The current river dam with three spillways was set up in 1887. In 1921, the mill was acquired by the local Farmers' Association, becoming the largest local manufacturing business. Two hydro-generators were also installed in the mill, which provided households with electricity.

15. The House of Doctor Zālītis

The house—an architectural monument of national importance—holds the memory of the distinguished doctors of the 20th century. Booking in advance, it is possible to see exhibitions in two rooms dedicated to the life and work of the Latvian onologist, psychotherapist Jānis Zālītis (1933-2007) and the Founder of the Hospital of Rauna Rūdolfs Skaidrais (1882-1954). Admission in return for donations.
8 Česu Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality.
Ph. +371 29742087. E-mail: n.zalite@inbox.lv
GPS 57.330218, 25.605261

16. Rauna Museum Exhibition Room

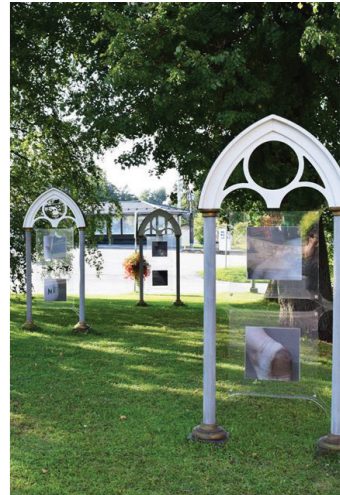
The Rauna Museum exhibition room is located in the premises of a library at 2 Rīgas Street. The museum administrator's office is also located in this building. However, the museum's inventory is held at the territory of "Raunas Lauktehnika" LTD, i.e. "Little School", 3 Dīķa Street, Rauna. The Rauna Museum collects, stores, studies and popularises historically prominent and characterising values of Rauna Municipality, and creates thematic exhibitions in the exhibition room.
2 Rīgas Street, Rauna, Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.331099, 25.609251

18. Staburadze of Rauna

The only freshwater limestone formation in Latvia is found in the valley of the Rauna River. It has formed 8-10 thousand years ago, when the limestone settled and hardened on the surface of the soil. It is about 3.5 m high and 17 m wide. Together with the slope, Staburadze makes for a picturesque landscape. Since 1966, when Staburadze of Daugava was flooded, it is the only such monument in Latvia. Stepping on Staburadze is strictly forbidden!
GPS 57.32096854, 25.6059917

19. Velnaļa (Devil's Cave)

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12 Česu Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.329538, 25.600762



17. Tanisa Castle Mound

The approximately 24 m high castle mound is one of the highest Latvian castle mounds with an impressive fortification system. Since the 6th century BC, the mound was inhabited by Finno-Ugric people, but, starting with the 7th century BC, the presence of Latgians was found, which continued until the 14th century. One of the most considerable archaeological excavations of the castle mound took place in 1927 under the supervision of Francis Balodis.
8/10 Česu Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality
GPS 57.329830, 25.605135

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About Rauna Municipality

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Rauna Municipality was created in 2009, during the Vidzeme territorial reform, uniting the former Rauna and Drusti Parishes of the Cēsis District. It borders Priekulji, Smiltene, Gulbene, Jaunpiebalga and Vecpiebalga municipalities. Rauna is the centre of the municipality. Its area is 309 km² and population—3125 inhabitants in 2017.

Rauna. Municipality's centre, one of the most beautiful places in Vidzeme. It is located next to a small river with the same name, at the crossroads of the five most important local roads. Nearby cities include Cēsis, Smiltene and Valmiera. Rauna attracts its tourists with diversity and uniqueness. Tourists are able to visit natural landmarks, architectural monuments and historical venues, as well as various recreational activities, diverse cultural events, a developed sports infrastructure and ecological domestic producers.

Drusti. Located 20 km from the centre of the municipality. The name "Drusti" was first mentioned in writing as far back as 1262, when the current parish territory was included in the Archbishopric of Riga. Drusti is located on the south-east side of Mežole Hill of Vidzeme Upland—Augšgauja Lowland. The parish is crossed by a Gauja tributary, Palsa, which used to power four mills, and after World War Two with its woody shores it provided refuge for freedoms fighters. There are 22 lakes and 25 artificially made water reservoirs with an area larger than 1 ha.

Come and participate in the most significant events of Rauna Municipality in 2020!

February 1. Candle day

May 4. Bike ride

May 16. Medieval festival in Ronnenburg

May 16. Museum night at Drusti.

July 4. Cemetery festival in the Rauna Cemetery

July 3,-4. "Secret of Rauna Municipality" Festival 10th anniversary

July 3. "Secret of Rauna Municipality" quiet music concert in Rauna

July 4. "Secret of Rauna Municipality, loud music concert in Drusti

July 11. Rozes village festival

August 1. Cemetery festival in the Drusti Cemetery

August 22. Raunas name day celebration

September 7. Parka Street celebration, Autumn Fair

September 19. Candlelight Evening in Drusti Cemetery

October 3. Candlelight Evening in Rauna Cemetery

December 5. Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

Rauna Municipality Tourism Information Centre

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13. "Latvijas Ķiploks" LTD *

If you take a whiff of this strong fragrance, you can feel the bacteria retreating. It's the place where garlic undergoes magical transformations: many tasty and healthy products are made, and Latvian grown garlic is praised and worshiped. Everyone is welcome to experience the garlic tasting adventure. 4 Cēsu Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 22471245 www.latvijaskiploks.lv GPS 57.331369 25.607564

20. "Latnature" LTD *

A company with a healthy mind-set, creating new goods beneficial both for health and your taste buds through dried vegetables and fruit. The factory produces vegetable crisps from celery, beets, carrots, pumpkins and kale, which are made following a special recipe, by drying them in a low temperature; also producing crispbread and fruit rolls. They offer an excursion of the crisp factory, to witness the production process, to taste the goods, and a possibility to purchase them. 10 – 1 Cēsu Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29149177 www.latnature.lv GPS 57.328916, 25.603210

21. "Malduguns" Brewery ("Kooperatīvs" LTD) *

One of the latest and smallest Latvian breweries, where quality raw materials and the careful attitude of the employees help create a tasteful and unique beer—right from the taste to the label design. Owners of the brewery offer excursions of the brewery, as well as a beer degustation upon request. 2a Parka Street, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 25541552 GPS 57.3298574, 25.6183959

22. Siera un makaronu ražotne*

The only company in Latvia which produces Green cheese. Its main ingredient, fenugreek, is grown in their own garden. The factory produces five more cheese varieties, 13 types of Home Pasta and 5 types of Home Noodles, as well as buckwheat and rice pastas. They offer an excursion of the factory, tasting of the produce and a possibility to purchase it. 4a Parka Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 22014583 www.sierarazotne.lv GPS 57.331722, 25.620265



23. Raunas Lauktehnika* LTD

The possibility to purchase various metal goods, as well as to enjoy an excursion of the premises. 4 Parka Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29284026 www.rl.lv GPS 57.330952, 25.619313

24. Nursery Production Farm "Kaliņi"*

The nursery grows summer flowers and wintergreens, grass, vegetable and herb seedlings, and, in small amounts—ornamental shrubs and conifer. The plants can also be viewed in the garden, planting beds, in various compositions. Visitors are permitted from April until October. Larger groups must arrange the visit beforehand! "Bērziņi-2", Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29333780 www.raunasstadi.lv GPS 57.337201, 25.614164



"Mežnoras" Farm *

"Mežnoras" grows early season strawberries under greenhouse film and on the field, as well as summer and autumn raspberries. Visitors are offered an excursion and a tasting with the possibility of purchasing homemade wine. "Mežnoras", Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29113619 GPS 57.345578, 25.594888

25. "Baizkalns stables" *

Visitors are offered horse riding, a ride in the cart, or the sled in the winter. Can be attended individually or in groups! "Baizkalns", Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29540152

Laimonis Cepurītis' Ceramics Workshop *

Laimonis Cepurītis' Ceramics Workshop is located four kilometres from Rauna. Ceramic dishes are glazed in a Vidzeme style wood kiln, which is one of the last ones remaining in Latvia. If no dish glazing is being done, you can enter the kiln and look at it from the inside. The workshop has been operating since 2017, but the title of the nation's craftsmanship master was achieved already in 1982. The pieces are made from red and black clay, which is procured from the "Raunas Māls" factory, as well as from white clay, which is brought to Latvia from abroad. Making of ethnographic bowls, cups and contemporary style dishes. "Kieģeļceplis", Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29412265; +371 29364949 GPS 57.314686, 25.732042

Rauna Kiln *

A ceramics workshop where you can get to know the inside of the making of ceramic dishes and other products—from the clay to the finished product. It's also a scenic place for various activities. "Kieģeļceplis", Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29412265; +371 29364949 GPS 57.314686, 25.732042

Biological Farm "Jaunieviņas" *

Offers excursions with wild horses and cows. The farm produces various ecological products: candied quince, marmalade, syrups, teas, eggs. You can look at various kinds of domestic birds. "Jaunieviņas", Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 26463980, +371 29495146 www.jaun-ievinas.lv GPS 57.278341 25.609738

Farmstead "Ķeveiti" *

A property on the outskirts of Rauna Municipality—marvellous scenery, with hills after hills. A small family farm right in the heart of Vidzeme, with home-grown and fostered biological agricultural produce. The owners offer excursions: listen to the country sounds and tales, experience the real country idyll and various tasty goods—soup, pilau or a burger with lamb meat. And much more. "Ķeveiti", Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29220390 (Atis), +371 29299077 (Marika) www.keveiti.lv GPS 57.382244, 25.688966



Domestic producers and farms in Rauna



26. Accommodations in the Centre of Rauna*

A chance to spend the night right at the centre of Rauna. Two double motel-type rooms with a kitchen area, shower, and toilet. 2 Cēsu Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29455975 GPS 57.331635, 25.609245

27. Cafe "Hameleons"

Have lunch in a cosy and nice atmosphere. We can accommodate small tourist groups with up to 20 people. 2A Rīga Street, Rauna, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 28346846 GPS 57.330886, 25.608547

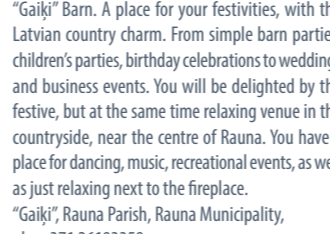
101st Kilometre

A homely atmosphere to enjoy your coffee, tea, pastry goodies, tasty ice cream cocktails, ice cream, as well as some fast food: hot dogs, pizzas, hamburgers, etc. A2 Road, Rīga-Veclaiciene, 101st kilometre, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 26446939 GPS 57.301721, 25.5981605

Guest House "Jaunieviņas" *

Guest house, next to a pond, with a hall with a fireplace, massage bath, accommodation for 35 people, boat and a catamaran. Catering for groups of up to 60 people. "Jaunieviņas" Rauna Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +37126463980, +371 29495146 www.jaun-ievinas.lv GPS 57.278341, 25.609738

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Cavalier House of the Drusti Manor*

A holiday cottage "Cavalier House of the Drusti Manor" with four double apartments. Each apartment has two rooms—a spacious living room with a kitchen area, bedroom and a shower room with amenities. All apartments are fitted with household appliances (TV, electric stove, dishwasher, cooker hood, refrigerator) and dishes. Arch Hall for up to 20 people and a sauna. 1 Skola Street, Drusti, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29626107 GPS 57.231299, 25.850064

"Pļavnas" Recreational Resort *

Enveloped by meadows, forests and waters "Pļavnas" has a guest house with peculiar architecture, many halls, two holiday cottages, with places for up to 100 guests, pond cascades for fishing and water activities, a bathhouse, gazebo and wigwam, large cranberry and bush blueberry gardens, health promoting activities, as well as tasty food. "Pļavnas", Drusti pagasts, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 29192505, +371 29179465 GPS 57.259093, 25.858244

Guest House "Ūdensrozes" *

Drusti hills are experiencing quite the bustle for a while now to prepare tourists and local inhabitants for heavenly views, which are great for simple relaxation near the lake, expansive celebrations or relaxing holidays. There is a festive hall, dining room, bathhouse, lake beach, accommodation for up to 100 guests. The guest house will start its first tourism season in the middle of May, therefore more

information is available via tphone.

"Ūdensrozes", Drustu Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 26467932 GPS 57.209107, 25.8667553

"Ozolkalns" Farm *

Offers homemade, raw milk cheeses, which have various interesting spices added to them. Possible to taste various types of the product in a cheese tasting. Places for tents and picnics are also available. "Ozolkalns", Drustu Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 26184900 GPS 57.224993, 25.858001

"Skoliesi" Farm *

A chance to look at and find out about the school's history, because the Parochial School building, built in 1873, is located on the premises. Possibility to experience the country life, for example, looking at domestic birds and animals. The farm produces dairy products. Also offers leisure activities by the lake: water bikes, boat rental, fishing and tent places. "Skoliesi", Drustu Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 20257343 GPS 57.219449, 25.845103

Rauna Municipality Service Sector

Drusti Lutheran Church

The current Drusti Lutheran Church building (which is actually the third) was built from 1835 to 1837 under the supervision of Mārcis Sārums. In 1932, a granite monument, made by E. Kuraus Company, was revealed commemorating the fallen members of the congregation during World War One and the Latvian War of Independence. For visiting the church, ph. +371 29424769 (Viktors Stražiņš) For an excursion with a tour guide, ph. +371 22047515 (Ieva Lejmalniece) 5 Ozolu Street, Drusti, Rauna Municipality GPS 57.232639, 25.860115

Local Lore Museum of Drusti

By visiting the museum, it's possible to find out about the history of the Drusti Parish and school, about significant people of the parish, and historically relevant venues. 20 Palsas Street, Drusti, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 22047515 GPS 57.231741, 25.854248

The Green Railway

The Estonian-Latvian transboundary project "Zaļais Dzelceļš" (The Green Railway) aims to organize the former railroad infrastructure in Vidzeme and South-Estonia, and create a 750 km long joined bike/walking path, most of which would lead along the former railroad tracks. A small section also crosses Rauna Municipality, connecting Džerbene and Jaunpiebalga. There are many culturally prominent historical artefacts in the area. The plan includes creation of a place of relaxation. More information is available in the Rauna Municipality Tourism Information Centre. Rauna Municipality information stand is located near the old station building. GPS 57.1190892, 25.8600548



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"Aulukalns" Manor and Park

"Aulukalns" Manor is already standing for its second century, and its park is distinguishable with a special terrace-type arrangement and a view to the Aulukalns Lake, which had a lake settlement during the 8th-11th century. The park has a short walking path where you can look at various nature attractions and venerable trees. Aulukalns Manor, Aulukalns, Drustu Parish, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 25956830 GPS 57.2333438, 25.7745782

"Piltiņkalns"

Many annual folk custom celebrations take place on this sacred hill. Around the hill, a path treaded in nine circles, but on the south-west descent—Tree of Life labyrinth. The north-east descent holds the "Grīnu" sacred spring. The hill has many places of energy. You can also experience beautiful landscapes from atop the hill. Rauna Municipality, ~ 4 km from the centre of Drusti Parish in the direction of Zosēnu Parish, ph. +371 29331935 GPS 57.200386, 25.863997

The Old Crafts Workshop*

In the Drusti local lore old crafts workshop, you can try your hand at carpentry: to chisel, plane, saw. They offer to work with wood under the supervision of a professional carpenter, learn how to carve spoons and create other wooden products. Also, offer to try hand in candle casting in the old way, and producing of butter, cheese and cream. Drusti, Rauna Municipality, ph. +371 22047515 GPS 57.231648, 25.854089



Tourism attractions in Drusti Parish