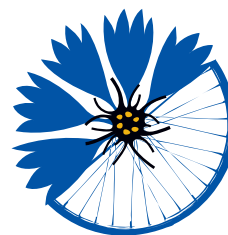


Cycling route



AROUND
SMILTENE
LAKES

Length of the route: 29 km

Cycling route GPS file could download from www.smiltene.lv/turisms

Legend

- 1 Lake Teperis
- 2 Lake Spicieris
- 3 Lake Nīdrājs
- 4 Hoarstone
- 5 Soldier's grave
- 6 Money Stone
- 7 Lake Salainis
- 8 Silva Arboretum
- 9 Klievezers
- 10 Cērtene Castle Mound
- 11 Find the Bees and the Honey!
- 12 Smiltene Ev.Lutheran Church
- 13 Vidusezers un Old Park

- information, map
- parking place
- resting place
- WC
- bike rental
- bike service
- swimming place
- recommended cycling direction



TOURISM SITES IN THE ROUTE:



1. LAKE TEPERIS



Lake Teperis was created by blocking a river called Abuls. In the past near the lake was a forge with a big iron hammer. Lake Teperis is named after the last owner of the iron hammer - Tepfer.



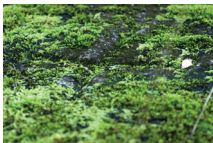
3. LAKE NIEDRĀIS



Lake is connected with human-made canals to six other forest lakes (Melluzis, Salainis, Niedritis, Bezdibenis, Zummers, Bezvardis). In the past through these canals were going by boats.



4. HOARSTONE



The Hoarstone is located near to the ancient road Smiltene - Mēri. In the stone was carved the cross and year figure 1776.



6. MONEY STONE



This stone is included on the list of protected natural monuments. Those searching for buried treasure have dug up the area around the stone, hoping to find hidden money.



7. LAKE SALAINIS



The shape of Lake Salainis from the birds view resembles Latvia's contour.



8. SILVA ARBORETUM



State protected special nature area. The dendrological park contains about 200 tree and shrub types. For several types, it is the furthest north they will successfully grow. The plants are organised in groups by family as a collection and as a recreation area.



10. CĒRTEĒ CASTLE MOUND



The oldest witness of Smiltene's past. The high of the castle mound from the Cērtene river side reaches almost 25 m. To fortify the castle mound, a 12 m deep ditch was dug up around it, which is considered one of the grandest buildings of Latvian fortified hill forts.



11. FIND THE BEES AND THE HONEY!



Excursion in the bee garden of Valdis and Gundega with the story about the life of bees, degustation of different types of honey from flowers with warm pancakes. You can purchase beekeeping products here. Required call before! Phone: +371 29975297



12. SMILTENE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



This is the only typical cross type church built in Latvia (1895) and it has been granted the national cultural importance monuments status. In the seal of Smiltene church there is a number 1370, which has been adopted as church establishing year.

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