



Liepāja Travel



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## TOURISM MAP



The route "Liepāja – follow the notes!" is an easiest way to look at Liepāja and get to know the most remarkable historical, cultural and architectural values in the city centre.

You are welcome to use our map and follow the notes embedded in the cobblestones as your guidance. The route will be conducted clockwise.

Start and finish point:  
at the Liepāja Region  
Tourism Information Office  
Route length: 3,5 km or 5,1 km  
Duration: 1–2 hours

3,5 km  
2,6 km  
Detour

3,5 km walking route through the city center.



### A Clef – The Square of Roses

Rose Square is the heart of the city. A place where people have been setting up their meetings since the 17th century, when there was a marketplace. Two turret buildings built in 1862 that used to be butchery back then have survived until now. Rose Square got its present form and name in the 1911, with the start of green plantations and a rose garden, and with relocating the marketplace to its present location. At the centre of the square, on the border of the rose bed, you can see the coat of arms signs of Liepāja twinning towns. While continuing the route, take a look left in the Roman garden courtyard. The history of the Roman garden begins in 1882 with the establishment of a trade house and a hotel. Do not miss the underground basements built beneath the courtyard with the arts gallery in there, displaying a vast variety of the artwork collections from the Liepāja artists of the 20th century. The notes will continue taking you along Zivju Street, named after the fish market that used to be located just off Kuršu Square at the end of the street.



### Do – Madame Hoyer's Guest House

At the intersection of Kungu and Bāriņu streets. The most remarkable building is a former Madame Hoyer's guest house – one of the oldest residential houses in Liepāja, featuring now a 17-19th century interior museum. The stone building located to the left is a typical example of 17th–18th century construction. Whereas one of the city's oldest remaining types of structures is located just behind Madame Hoyer's house – the 17th century log house built on a low stone base foundation with a steep tiled roof. The walls of these old houses shelter tales and stories about the presence in Liepāja of Russian Czar Peter I and Swedish King Charles XII. Following the route, we advise you to pay attention to the unusual brick-covered pavement on Palmu Street, which was constructed about 150 years ago from over-burned bricks.



### Re – Peter's Market

Just opposite the entrance to the Peter's Market, you will see the tallest building in the city centre – St. Anna's Lutheran Church. The church's 60-meter high redbrick spire dominates the skyline in the area. The church was consecrated in 1587 and has been rebuilt several times afterwards. Its most valuable asset is the 9,7-meter-high and 5,8-meter-wide wooden carved 17th century altar. The Peter's Market is the second largest market in Latvia. Here you will always find a big variety of local organic food and homemade products from local farmers. Architect Ludwig Melville designed the market pavilion hall. It was constructed in 1910 replacing the former barracks, with an innovative form of roof construction and large windows providing good indoor lighting. With the construction of the new market, the old one from the Roses Square was moved here.



### Mi – St. Joseph's Cathedral

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Here, you can choose to continue through the city center or head to Jūrmala Park and the beach.

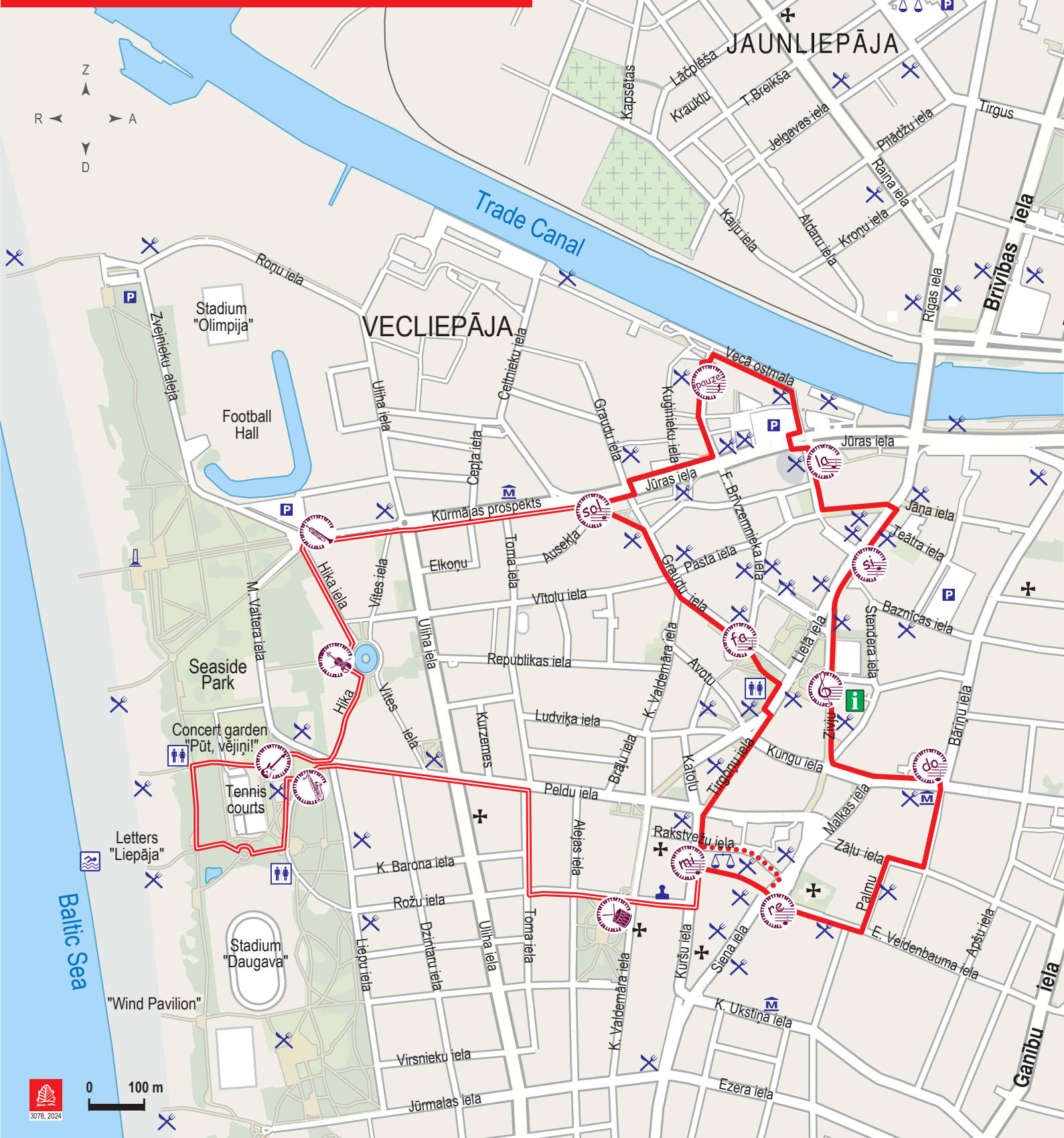


### Fa – Art-Nouveau buildings

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The two routes reconnect at the musical note "sol" and continue together.

## Liepāja – follow the notes! Walking route

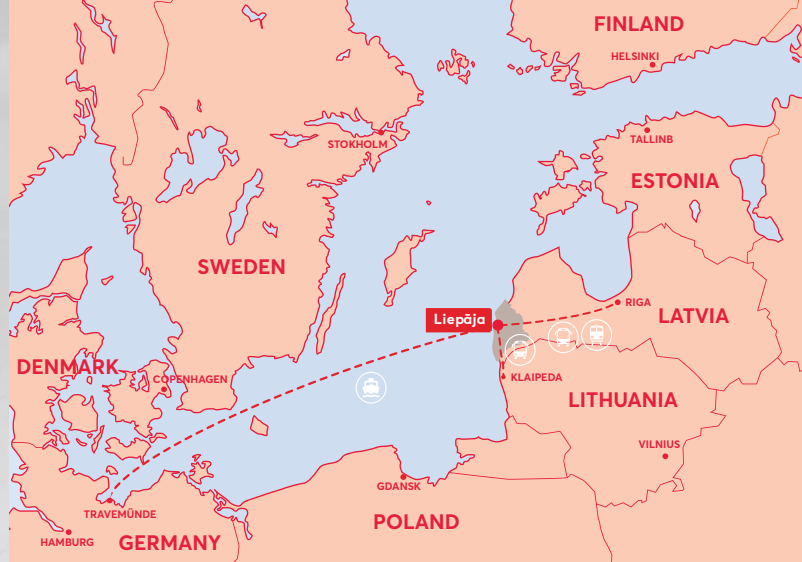


### Sol – Liepāja State Gymnasium

Right behind the sculpture of a boatman, you can see the elegant white Art Nouveau building – the State Gymnasium, a former girls' Gymnasium. It was built in 1912 according to the Ludwig Melville project. The street-side facade, which looks rather unaccustomed for the architecture of school buildings, is sophisticatedly refined and luxurious. On the opposite side of Kūrmājas Avenue you can see a light gray house with the same decorative facade of the building. This is the current district court and the former headquarters of the Russian-East Asian Steamship Company that provided a direct steamboat line between Liepāja and New York. Annually, about 40,000 people transitioned through the port of Liepāja and set out on a long journey from here to the New World. To the right of the boatman's sculpture is the former Navigation School, built in 1876. The central facade is decorated with a turret, used as the observatory for the needs of the nautical school.

### Rest – Julianna courtyard

The former industrial area with a commercial printing house and later a garment factory has become a cultural and recreational site called the Julianna courtyard. Thanks to the dedicated and determined entrepreneurs, an attractive environment for work and recreation has been created here. This is a fine place to have a break from the city exploration to enjoy delicious food and refreshing drinks. The route continues along the Trade Canal, which connects Liepāja Lake with the Baltic Sea. The canal was erected in 1703, and from that moment, the construction of a large and modern port began in the city. Walking along the promenade, you can see fishing boats and yachts. In addition, near the pedestrian ramp, you can explore a model of the surroundings of the canal area and an Amber Clock made from 50 litres of amber pieces donated for this by many residents of Liepāja.



## Liepāja Region Tourism Information Office

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### La – The Concert hall "Great Amber"

The symbol of the cultural life of Liepāja is its Concert hall "Great Amber". A venue for high-quality cultural and arts events where audience can enjoy some outstanding acoustics. The eight-storey building accommodates three concert halls, of which the largest is for 1000 seats. The Concert hall is also home to the Liepāja Symphony Orchestra – the oldest orchestra in the Baltics. The Austrian architect Volker Giencke built the Hall in 2015. He took inspiration for the creation of the project from the symbol washed onshore of the Baltic Sea – amber. There are almost no right angles in the concert hall building and inside it always seems that the sun is shining outside. Make sure of this with your own eyes!



### Si – Holy Trinity Cathedral

Holy Trinity Cathedral was consecrated in 1758. Its unique and most distinguished feature is the world's largest unaltered mechanical organ. The organ has 131 registers, 4 manual keyboards and more than 7000 pipes, which all together create bold and expressive sound. Finally, you can climb the cathedral tower to observe the full city panorama and watch the tramline passing along the cathedral. In fact, Liepāja was the first city in the Baltic region, where in 1899 the most modern means of transport at that time – the electric tram – was first put into operation.

5,1 km route leads to Jūrmala Park – follow the signs with musical instruments.



### Drums – Jānis Čakste Square

The square is named after the first Latvian President – Jānis Čakste. Its main feature is the large-scale Latvian flag that flies at a height of 35 metres, and several important quotes from the first president of the Republic of Latvia. Though visually you would not notice, but this is also the city's highest point – only 11 meters above sea level. As we continue our walk, it leads us to the Peldu Street and your attention is immediately drawn to the neo-gothic style built redbrick residential house, designed in 1902 by the city's chief architect, Paul Max Bertchy, standing out as one of his perhaps most remarkable projects.



### Saxophone – Seaside Park

Seaside Park is one of the largest parks in Latvia, planted three kilometres along the seacoast. There are around 170 local and exotic tree species in the park. The planting was initiated at the end of the 19th century, following the initiative of the city's Mayor, Kārlis Ulis, to revive the area for the future resort, as well as for purely practical reasons to prevent sanding of the city. At the same time, the park vicinity became a popular place to own a summerhouse; hence, you may see a lot of those kinds of buildings in the area. From here, you can easily walk down to the beach and see the famous attraction of holidaymakers due to its vast size and unusually white and delicate sand.



### Guitar – Open-air Concert garden "Pūt, vējņi!"

In 1964, an open-air concert stage was established in Seaside Park, quickly becoming a popular venue for summer festivals, concerts, and cultural events. The most famous of these was the "Liepājas džintars" festival, known as the "Latvian Woodstock". Over its 30-year history, it became a symbol of Liepāja's culture and a platform for free thought. Today, after reconstruction, the "Pūt, vējņi!" concert garden offers a rich cultural program throughout the summer. Visitors can listen to some songs by the legendary Liepāja rock band "Livi" at The Tree of Ghosts and compare their handprints with those on the Alley of Fame of Latvian Musicians.



### Violin – Swan pond

A swan pond with a rotunda gazebo was created in 1902, along with a Kurhaus, or a Bathhouse, seen at the end of the pedestrian alley, 100 metres toward the sea. A small teahouse originally placed on the Swan pond island was serving as a meeting place for holidaymakers. The residential area with mansions has grown around the pond. The most ornate wooden summerhouses are located on Hika and Vītes Streets, adorned with fine decorative carvings.



### Trumpet – Kūrmājas Avenue

The residential area along the avenue was flourishing at a time when Liepāja became a popular resort at the edge of the 19th and 20th century. The city's fine guests could hop on the tram to get to the park and the beach. The wealthy Liepāja businessmen considered building their mansions and rental houses on this street as a must to cement their status and prestige among the local society. One of these finest mansion examples, built in 1900, today is a home for the Liepāja Museum, where you can get to know the history of Liepāja and the region of Southern Kurzeme. Along the entire Kūrmājas Avenue you will also notice bronze sculptures of characters from the city anthem lines "The City where the Wind is Born" – a telephone operator, or a cable man on a pole, amber Latvians in a pub, a crow and a boatman.

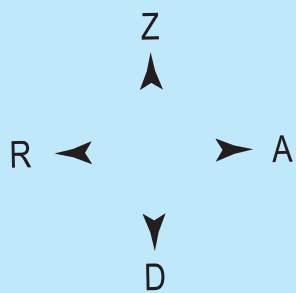
The route has now come to an end. It has been a great pleasure to walk it together with you and introduce you to the historical and modern values of Liepāja.



You can find other walking routes in Liepāja by scanning the QR code next to it. See you soon!



# Liēpāja



## SIGHTSEEING

- Holy Trinity Cathedral with viewing platform, Lielā iela 9, +371 20006370
- Square of Roses
- Courtyard "Romas dārzs", Zivju iela 3
- St. Annes Church, E. Veidenbauma iela 1
- Peter's Market, Kuršu iela 5/7/9
- Old embankment Promenade, Vecā ostmala
- Jānis Čakste Square
- Swan pond, Jūrmalas parks
- Environmental design object "The Tree of Ghosts" and Alley of Fame of Latvian Musicians, M. Valtera iela 7, Seaside Park
- St. Joseph's Cathedral, Rakstvežu iela 13
- Environmental design object – letters "Liepāja", Beach near the central lifeguard station
- Monument in commemoration of the perished fishermen and seafarers, At the end of Kūrmājas prospekts, Seaside Park
- Sculptures of Liepāja Anthem Characters, Kūrmājas prospekts
- Southern Breakwater
- Luther's Church, Jelgavas iela 62
- Oskars Kalpaks Bridge, O. Kalpaka iela 119
- St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Naval Cathedral, Studentu rotas iela 7
- Karosta Water Tower, Generāļa Baloža iela 29
- Northern Breakwater
- Fortification battery No. 3 and Memorial to the Kurelians, Kureliešu iela
- Northern Fort, Jātnieku iela 19
- Redan, 14. novembra bulvāris 82/86, +371 26369470
- Memorial site for the Cavaliers of the Lačplēšis Military Order, Lačplēša dārzs
- Memorial to the Holocaust Victims, Libiešu iela 37/53

## CULTURE, ART, SCIENCE

### MUSEUMS, GALLERIES, EXHIBITIONS

- Liepāja Museum, Kūrmājas prospekts 16/18, +371 22333723
- 17th-19th century interior museum "Madame Hoyer's Guest House", Kungu iela 24, +371 29905180
- Liepāja Occupation Museum, K. Ukstiņa iela 7/9, +371 27048864
- Art gallery "Romas dārzs", Zivju iela 3, +371 25769991
- Museum of Puppet Art and Design, Zivju iela 3, +371 25769991
- Museum of Liepāja Jewish Community's History, Kungu iela 21, +371 29747027
- Art Gallery "Promenade", Vecā ostmala 40, +371 63488288
- Music gallery "Vinilokks", Avotu iela 4, +371 29233412
- Auto exposition, Dārza iela 4/8, +371 28628157
- Karosta Prison Museum, Invalidu iela 4, +371 26369470
- The historical exposition of the Latvian War Museum Liepāja's coastal artillery battery No. 2, Tobago iela 1, +371 25603875
- Karosta and Independence War Museum, 14. novembra bulvāris 82/86, +371 26369470

### CRAFTSMEN AND TRADITIONS

- Craftsmen's workshops, Dārza iela 4/8
- The House of Craftsmen  
Longest amber necklace in Latvia, amber jewellery, hand-weaving and more, +371 26541424
- Centre of Applied Arts "Dārza iela"  
Amber jewellery-studio "Zitars", +371 29746636  
Hand weaving-studio "Kursa", +371 29733310  
Hand weaving, hand-made items-studio "Liepava", +371 26767866
- Art shop – gallery "Ludvikis", Ludvika iela 3/5, +371 26156661
- Candle workshop "Sun Candles", Kungu iela 6, +371 29557292
- Pottery workshop "Story of a Potter", Klaipešas iela 4, +371 20025121
- Folklore centre "Namins", Bārņu iela 32, +371 26562954
- Creative space "Austra's room", Zivju iela 3, +371 26131435

## MUSIC, THEATRE, CINEMA

- Concert hall "Great Amber", Radio iela 8, +371 63424555
- Liepāja Theatre, Teātra iela 4, +371 26117999 (ticket office), +371 29455112 (excursion tours)
- Liepāja Puppet Theatre, Rožu laukums 5/6, +371 26594529
- Movie theatre "Cinamon Liepāja Balle", Rožu laukums 5/6, +371 22025517
- Liepāja Latvian Society House, Rožu laukums 5/6, +371 63423829
- Open-air Concert garden "Pūt, vējiņi!", M. Valtera iela 7, Seaside Park
- Culture House "Wiktorija", Graudu iela 36/38, +371 20227498
- Cultural space "Pegaza pagalmis", Kuršu iela 20, +371 26470868
- Cultural space "Tipogrāfijas radošais kvartāls", A.Pumpura iela 10, +371 20339593
- Cultural space "Atmodas Dārzs", Atmodas bulvāris 6A, +371 20010159
- Nature House, Zirgu sala 2, +371 26644834
- STEM House, Autoru iela 4/6, +371 25728867
- Digital Production Laboratory "FabLab Liepāja", K. Ukstiņa iela 17/23, +371 20231393

## RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

### INDOORS

- LOC Olympic Centre, Brīvības iela 39, +371 63483888
- LOC Pool & Spa, Brīvības iela 39, +371 63480000
- Laser tag arena, LOC Olympic Centre, Brīvības iela 39, +371 29774450
- Mini golf, LOC Olympic Centre, Brīvības iela 39, +371 29265644
- LOC Ice Hall, Brīvības iela 1, +371 25716662
- LOC Manege, Brīvības iela 55, +371 25779990 (info), +371 29476418 (Climbing wall)
- Recreation and Entertaining Centre "Dzintara Boulings", M. Valtera iela 4, +371 63480080
- Indoor track "Rave Action Park", Spiķeru iela 19/20/23 (ziemā), +371 27510608
- Laser Tag arena "Wind Poligon Liepāja", Zemnieku iela 32, +371 20014041
- Pneumatic shooting range "Lodīte", Graudu iela 43–16a, +371 29462045
- Smash Room Liepāja, Zviedru iela 2, +371 24506711
- Billiard hall in the hotel "Kolumbs", Kuršu iela 32, +371 22019385
- Escape room "Exitgame", K. Valdemāra iela 20/24, +371 22142807
- Entertainment centre for children "Sappu Zeme", Ezermalas iela 3C, +371 29577742
- Escape Rooms at Karosta Prison, Invalidu iela 4, +371 26369470
- Bow shooting club "Archery Liepāja", Ziemeļu iela 19 (in winter), +371 27505583
- Sports and entertainment center "Drift Arena", Ganību iela 197/205, +371 28842288
- LOC Tennis Hall, Liedaga iela 7, +371 20227900

### OUTDOORS

- LOC Tennis courts, Seaside Park, +371 28306323
- Outside skate park, children playground, outdoor gym equipment, Seaside Park
- Net Tower, Seaside Park, +371 27088933
- Kristaps Porziņģis basketball courts, Seaside Park
- Sightseeing tour by "Libau Train", Peldu iela 64, +371 25875696
- Kristaps Porziņģis basketball courts, Toma and Vītola Street intersection
- Liepāja Lake birdwatching toer and boardwalk, At the end of Lauku Street
- Roller-skating and cycling track on Zirgu Island
- Zirgu Island Nature Trail and birdwatching tower
- Kristaps Porziņģis basketball courts, Ventspils iela 15/27
- Kristaps Porziņģis basketball courts, Dunikas iela 2/24
- Bow shooting club "Archery Liepāja", Brīvības iela 108 (in summer), +371 27505583
- Recreation complex "Austrumu forti", Brīvības iela 180, +371 27505583
- Spy Game "Escape from the USSR", Northern Fort, +371 26369470
- Adventure park "Tarzāns", Libiešu iela 8, +371 27088933
- Moto Park LAUMA, Pulvera iela 6, +371 29249322
- Padel tennis courts, Atmodas bulvāris 21B, +370 68451605

### ON THE WATER

- Boat tours and fishing trips at sea, Yacht marina, +371 26529955
- Tours by motor yacht "Discovery", Yacht marina, +371 29805707
- Tours by motor catamaran "Water Sledge", Yacht marina, +371 20070780
- Trips to the harbour waters, Yacht marina, +371 29235120 88.
- Boat, pedal catamaran and raft rental at café "Makšķernieku nams", Vecā ostmala 11A, +371 26798910
- Pedal catamaran, SUP board and boat rental, Vecā ostmala 29, +371 29805707
- Pedal catamaran, SUP board and boat rental at café "Kubs", Zirgu sala 2A, +371 29126420
- Liepāja SUP school, Atteku sala, +371 26170887
- Active leisure park "BB wakepark", Libiešu iela 2/6
- Sailing school, Beach at the end of Katedrāles Street, +371 29490993
- Active leisure centre "Rietumkrasts", Beach at the end of Katedrāles Street, +371 29187779
- Kitesurfing club "kites.lv", Beach at the end of Vainodes Street, +371 29138103

### BICYCLE RENT

- Bicycle and tourism equipment rental "Gandrs", Bārņu iela 14, +371 28003364
- Bicycle rental "VeloMoto", Kungu iela 6, +371 26447726
- Bicycle rental "Roze Boutique", Rožu iela 37, +371 27323553
- Bicycle shop "Libau bike", Raiņa iela 35, +371 26488877
- Electric bike rental, Ganību iela 197/205, +371 22324041

### BOAT RENTAL

- Canoe rental "Atvars laivas", +371 23009466
- Boat rental "Niknās laivas", +371 26377055
- Boat rental "Remo Laivas", +371 20011033
- Boat rental "Dienvidkurzemes laivas", +371 26377055
- Fishing equipment and bicycle rental, +371 29288879

## NIGHTLIFE

- Juliana's Courtyard, F. Brīvzemnieka iela 7
- Cocktail bar "WOOD STOCK"
- Art Space – Bar "Veranda"
- Beer cellar "Miezis & Co"
- Music club "CukurFabrik Lounge & Club", Stendera iela 18/20
- Music club "Fontaine Palace", Dzintaru iela 4
- Music club "BIG7", Baznīcas iela 14/16
- Cocktail and karaoke bar "7OZ", Baznīcas iela 14/16
- Karaoke bar "Windcity", Tirgoņu iela 24
- Bar "Elpub", F. Brīvzemnieka iela 32
- In the summer season
- Beach bar "Cukurfabrik"
- Beach café "7. līnija"
- Beach bar "Red Sun Buffet"



Where to eat?



Accommodation

## LEGEND

- |                                   |                                       |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Tourist information centre        | Bus station                           |
| Sightseeing, culture, art science | Local routes bus stop "Siena turkus"  |
| Recreational activities           | Railway station                       |
| Nightlife                         | Ferry                                 |
| Picnic place                      | Marina                                |
| Toilet                            | Filling station                       |
| Toilet during summer season       | Autogas filling station               |
| Children's playground             | Electrovehicle station                |
| Blue Flag swimming place          | One-way traffic                       |
| Shopping center and pharmacy      | Cycling path                          |
| Shop                              | Tram line                             |
| Post office                       | Hiking route "Freedom trail"          |
| Airport                           | Baltic Coastal Hiking Route "Jūrtaka" |
| Police                            | Cycling route EV10 and EV13           |
| Pharmacy                          |                                       |
| Hospital / Out-patient clinic     |                                       |
| Parking                           |                                       |

Buses to Karosta: 3, 4, 7, 22, 23, 25.



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