

## Bernāti – Liepāja – Karosta (The War Port)

The city where the wind is born



From Bernāti to Liepāja, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route leads through a wide beach where initially the coast is formed by washed away shores, but as you approach Liepāja high foredunes covered in sand ryegrass and marram grass appear in sight. Later the trail winds through the old town of Liepāja and “New Liepāja”, crossing the Naval Port Canal to reach the Naval Port: a complex of military and fortification buildings the visitation of which is likely to take a half day. You should certainly try the special dish of Liepāja called *Liepājas mencīņi* made of smoked cod according to an ancient recipe from Southern Kurzeme.



### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

..... 23 km

⌚ 8–10 h

🚩 Bernāti beach, opposite **P**

🚩 The North Pier of Karosta

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Medium



Sandy beaches. In the city, sidewalks with asphalt surfaces.



Veckrūmi house in Bernāti, which is slowly being washed into the sea. There is a trail between the sea and the house that can be used in times of strong winds.



The Oskars Kalpaks Bridge crossing the Karosta Canal may be opened for the passage of vessels 5 times a day: 01.00 – 03.00, 05.00 – 06.30, 10.30 – 12.00, 14.30 – 15.30, 19.30 – 21.00. The bridge may be closed to cars and pedestrians at the indicated times. For the latest information, check the live webcam: [www.liepaja-sez.lv/lv/port/oskara-kalpaka-tilts](http://www.liepaja-sez.lv/lv/port/oskara-kalpaka-tilts). Detour to the other shore: ~ 7,5 km.



The center of Liepāja and Karosta is connected by city public transport ([www.marsruti.lv/liepaja](http://www.marsruti.lv/liepaja)).





## WORTH SEEING!

- 1** A monument to the sailors that perished in the sea. GPS: 56.509256, 20.991326
- 2** Installation The Ghosts' Tree. An impressive 6 m high tree made of 4000 little metal bars as a tribute to the famous Latvian rock band Līvi. GPS: 56.50657, 20.99553
- 3** Sculptures representing the characters in Liepāja's anthem. Along the entire length of Kūrmājas prospekts, there are bronze sculptures memorializing the characters of Liepāja's anthem called Pilsēta, kurā piedzimst vējš (The City Where The Wind Is Born).
- 4** "The Great Amber" concert hall. GPS: 56.51151, 21.01057
- 5** The Oskars Kalpaks Bridge. This swing bridge is one of the oldest metal construction bridges in Latvia and a technical monument. GPS: 56.54466, 21.00439
- 6** The Karosta prison. Go on an excursion, enjoy a reality show, try to get out of locked rooms, spend the night in a prison cell and take lunch in a Soviet cafeteria. T: +371 26369470; GPS: 56.54632, 21.02097
- 7** The St. Nicholas Orthodox Naval Cathedral. GPS: 56.55284, 21.01238
- 8** The North Pier. The total length of the pier is 1800 m, its width is 7,35 m. GPS: 56.55709, 20.99691
- 9** The Northern Forts. Part of the city's fortification system built at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Artillery batteries that were not completely blown up and underground structures that are remained intact up to nowadays. GPS: 56.59090, 21.01502



## SERVICES



### Accommodations

- 1. Guest house "Brakši",**  
T: +371 29423291, 63469555;  
GPS: 56.41509, 21.00805
- 2. Recreation complex "Jūrnieka ligzda",**  
T: +371 26596877; GPS: 56.42431, 20.99950
- 3. Recreation complex "Vērbeļnieki",**  
T: +371 29138565; GPS: 56.42785, 20.99698
- 4. Guest house "Šķilas",**  
T: +371 25458444; GPS: 56.43423, 21.00534
- 5. Guest house "Janči",** T: +371 22069094,  
22057825; GPS: 56.43603, 21.00799
- 6. Holiday home "Eko Oāze",**  
T: +371 29665999; GPS: 56.44773, 21.01367

Accommodations in Liepāja  
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### Catering

- 1. Cafe "Bernātu Dzintariņš",**  
T: +371 28262321;  
GPS: 56.37898, 20.98616
- 2. Cafe "Paviljons",** T: +371 26326035;  
GPS: 56.36883, 20.99562
- 3. Summer cafe "Siena šķūnis",**  
T: +371 29138565;  
GPS: 56.42785, 20.99698

Catering companies in Liepāja  
[www.liepaja.travel](http://www.liepaja.travel)



### Shops

In Liepāja



### Public transport

Bus transport connects Bernāti and Liepāja (~ 16 times per day).  
[www.lap.lv](http://www.lap.lv)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



Liepāja region Tourism information office, Rožu laukums 5/6, Liepāja,  
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T: +371 634 80808, 29402111;  
GPS: 56.50770, 21.012117



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