



Klaipėda – Palanga

Through the Seaside Regional Park



Following H. Manto Street, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route leads out of the center of Klaipėda, traverses the Klaipėda Recreation Park, crosses a railway line by bridge and comes out onto the coast of the Baltic Sea in the southern part of Melnragė. The trail then winds through the dunes, for the protection of which wooden walkways have been installed, and continues on along a beautiful path through the coastal forest, following at a distance of about 10–20 m the pedestrian/cyclist lane through Antroji Melnragė to Giruliai. At Giruliai, it briefly comes out onto the beach, but from Kukuliškiai to the southern part of Karklė Village, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route first passes along the incredibly beautiful coastline of the former Littorina Sea covered in primeval forest, and later, along a scenic bluff, created by the washing of waves; there are several viewing points along the way (including the Dutchman's Cap). From the Village of Karklė for the next 11 km to the Palanga Botanical Park, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route leads across sandy and pebbly, occasionally rocky beaches. Through the coastal pathways in the western part of the Palanga Botanical Park, the trail leads over to Meilės avenue and then to the Palanga pedestrian bridge. Most of this section of the trail leads through the Seaside Regional Park.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

..... 29 km

⌚ 8–10 h

🚩 Klaipėda, Birža Bridge

🚩 Palanga pedestrian bridge

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●●● Hard (in one day),
● Easy (in two days)



Mostly sandy or sandy/pebbly beaches and single-track forest trails, short section of wooden walkways. Pavement with hard surface in Klaipėda and Palanga.



Keep a safe distance from the seaside bluffs. They are soft and can easily collapse under you!



There are nudist beaches between Melnragė and Palanga.



It is worth devoting a day or at least half a day to see Palanga and its environs. The section can be split in half to be done in two days, spending the night at a camp site near Karklė Village.

In the Seaside Regional Park, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route runs along the beach, which is part of a nature reserve. It is prohibited to walk anywhere else than the beach. The territory of the reserve may also be by-passed by the pedestrian-cyclist lane from Karklė to Nemirseta (marked with a brown line on the map).

WORTH SEEING!

- 1** **Klaipėda University Building Complex.** The youngest Lithuanian university was established in the historical buildings of neogothic barracks built in the beginning of the 20th century. GPS: 55.72416, 21.12403
- 2** **Melnragė Pier and the Gates of the Sea.** This is the place where the Curonian Lagoon is connected to the open sea and the ships sail to the port. GPS: 55.73026, 21.08086
- 3** **Melnragė Educational Hiking Trail and Promenade.** In 2020, a new broad wooden trail was built across the dunes of Melnragė seaside. The trail has playgrounds, rest areas and information stands presenting the seaside plants and animals. GPS: 55.732505, 21.087045
- 4** **Memel Nord Military Fortifications.** The German artillery battery from the Second World War has been perfectly preserved. It houses a museum and offers educational programs. GPS: 55.77823, 21.07425
- 5** **Litorina Ecological Educational Trail.** The trail winds along the steep 15-meter-high shores of the sea, revealing beautiful views of the Baltic Sea. GPS: 55.79654, 21.06790
- 6** **The Dutchman's Cap.** You can marvel at the sea, its steep shores and pebble beaches from 24-meter-high cliffs. GPS: 55.79831, 21.06742
- 7** **Fred's Park.** Cairn sculptures in the sea-side. GPS: 55.84729, 21.05962
- 8** **Palanga Manor and Park.** The neo-renaissance manor of Tiškevičiai now serves as Amber Museum. Visitors can take walks in the Botanical Garden with ponds and the promenades among hundred-year-old trees, and visit the Birutė Hill Chapel, Guardhouse and the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes. GPS: 55.90750, 21.05620
- 9** **Palanga Pedestrian Bridge.** This 470-meter-long bridge is the most popular and largely visited spot in Palanga and has become its symbol. GPS: 55.92013, 21.04721
- 10** **J. Basanavičiaus Street in Palanga.** This is the central street and pedestrian boulevard of Palanga City. Many cafes and a variety of other entertainment options are available for visitors during the summer season. GPS: 55.91908, 21.05598

SERVICES



Accommodations

- 1. Campsite "Palangos kempingas",** T: +370 60088811; GPS: 55.87648, 21.06595
- 2. "Surf hostel",** T: +370 65764313; GPS: 55.92276, 21.09066

More accommodation choices in Palanga: www.palangatic.lt



Catering

Restaurants and Cafés in Palanga: www.palangatic.lt



Shops

"Maxima", GPS: 55.73724, 21.09337

Grocery store in Karklė, GPS: 55.80572, 21.07634

Grocery store in Karklė, GPS: 55.81469, 21.07113

More grocery stores and shopping centres are in Klaipėda and Palanga.



Pharmacies

Only in Klaipėda and Palanga.



ATMs

Only in Klaipėda and Palanga.



Public transport

You can reach Karklė from Klaipėda (Universiteto Bust Stop) by taking Bus 24. Timetable: www.trafi.com/lt/klaipeda
The buses connecting Klaipėda and Palanga run every 20-30 minutes. Timetable: www.naujapalangosaubusustotis.lt



Rest areas

- 1. Camping and Guesthouse "Karkelbeck No. 409",** GPS: 55.80166, 21.07066
- 2. Karklė Camping,** GPS: 55.80651, 21.07163
- 3. Camp site "KarkleCamp",** GPS: 55.80834, 21.07276

TOURIST INFORMATION



Seaside Regional Park Visitor Center, Placio st. 54, Karklė, www.pajuris.info, T: +370 46412483; GPS: 55.80698, 21.07347



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