

Palanga – Latvia-Lithuania border (Šventoji)

Through the most popular seaside resorts of Lithuania

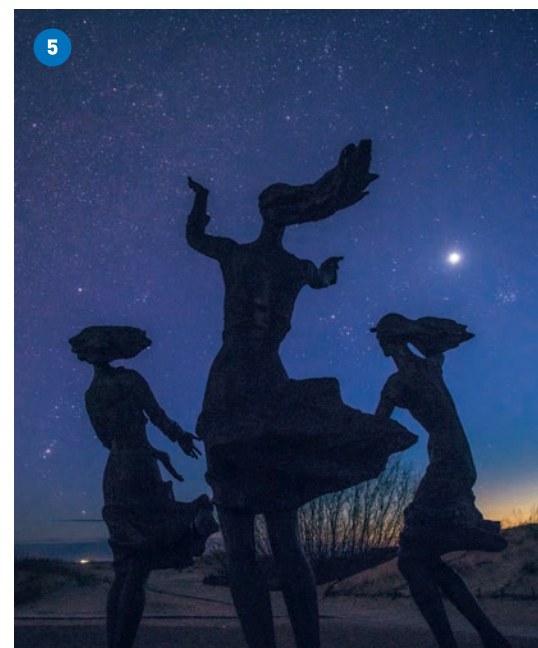


Having crossed the small Rąžė River, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route follows the Labrytys pedestrian/runners' lane and exits out onto the beach at Kontininkų Street. For the next 9 km to the old Šventoji Pier, the trail leads across the sandy, sea-washed beach. Then it loops around the mouth of the Šventoji River, leads through the resort town, and at the end of Kopų Street it crosses the Šventoji River over a hanging footbridge to come back out onto the beach. At the Žemaičių Alka parking lot, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route makes another small loop "inland" and then follows the sandy beach to the Latvia-Lithuania border 3 km away.



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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

..... 19 km

🕒 4–6 h

🚶 Palanga pedestrian bridge

🚶 Latvia-Lithuania border

📍 Palanga – Šventoji – Latvia-Lithuania border

🟩 Easy



Mostly sandy beaches, narrow forest trails. Pavement with a hard surface in Palanga and Šventoji.



Accommodation needs to be booked in advance in the summer season. The accommodation closest to the border is located 2 km away from it

in both directions. The state border along the coastline can be crossed at any time; hikers must always carry valid personal identification documents. There are no services available near the border.



From Šventoji, there is a road (later — a trail) behind the dunes that leads to the state border and can be used in heavy winds.

WORTH SEEING!

- 1 **Palanga.** Palanga is a historical fishermen's village. Its residents made a living out of fishing and amber trade. In the 19th century, Count Tiškevičius and his family came to Palanga and built a manor with a large park and established the first resort health centers. Soon, Palanga became one of the most popular resorts in the Baltic States. GPS: 55.91966, 21.05249
- 2 **Active Leisure and Running Trail "Labrytys".** GPS: 55.92226, 21.05857
- 3 **Edge of the World.** This spot near the Ošupis flowing into the sea has long been called the Edge of the World. People used to believe this was where the world ended. GPS: 55.97892, 21.07146
- 4 **The Old Pier of Šventoji.** The 780-meter-long pier was built in the 1920s at the time that the Šventoji Port was established. GPS: 56.02943, 21.06765
- 5 **Fisherman's Daughters Sculpture.** This impressive composition of 4 meters in height was built in the dunes at the end of the Soviet Era. It depicts three fisherman's daughters who are watching the sea and waiting for their father to come back. The sculpture also has a hidden symbolic meaning as it represents the wait for freedom by the three occupied Baltic States (Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia). GPS: 56.02815, 21.07151
- 6 **Šventoji.** Šventoji is a part of the City of Palanga, an old fishermen's village turned resort town in the 20th century. Live music concerts and many tourist-focused entertainment are available here in the summer. GPS: 56.02983, 21.08122
- 7 **Hanging Bridge across the Šventoji River.** GPS: 56.03622, 21.07459
- 8 **Stone Age Sculpture Park by Health Center "Energetikas".** GPS: 56.03785, 21.07572
- 9 **Samogitian Sanctuary.** This is a pagan sanctuary that has been reconstructed near Šventoji. It has a paleo astronomical observatory and wooden totems of Baltic gods made by craftsmen. As the sun sinks into the sea, the totems show the Baltic calendar festivals. GPS: 56.04100, 21.07449

SERVICES

 **Accommodations**

1. **Summer recreation center "Energetikas",** T: +370 61125095; GPS: 56.03117, 21.07550
 2. **Hotel "Jūros vila",** T: +370 67527272; GPS: 56.02957, 21.08004
 3. **Hotel "Vila Tante",** T: +370 61314415; GPS: 56.03108, 21.08288
- More accommodation choices in Palanga and Šventoji: www.palangatic.lt

 **Catering**

1. **Restaurant "Du malūnai",** T: +370 69999174; GPS: 56.02975, 21.08356
 2. **Restaurant "Titanikas",** T: +370 69999174; GPS: 56.03054, 21.08031
 3. **Pizzeria "Pica pas Leo",** GPS: 56.03187, 21.07931
- More places to eat in Palanga and Šventoji: www.palangatic.lt

 **Shops**

- "IKI", GPS: 56.03000, 21.08483
- "Maxima", GPS: 56.02971, 21.08580
- "Aibė", GPS: 56.01674, 21.07857

 **Pharmacies**

- "Gintarinė vaistinė", GPS: 56.03000, 21.08483


 **ATMs**

- "SEB", GPS: 56.03000, 21.08483

 **Public transport**

The buses connecting Šventoji, Klaipėda and Palanga run 4 times a day. Timetable: www.autobusubilietai.lt
Šventoji – Palanga bus timetable: www.naujapalangosautobusustotis.lt

 **Rest areas**

1. **Rest area near Šventoji,**  GPS: 56.03682, 21.12195

TOURIST INFORMATION


-  **Palanga Tourist Information Center,** Vytauto st. 94, Palanga, www.palangatic.lt, T: +370 46048811; GPS: 55.918001, 21.067109



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