



LATVIA NORTHERN  
GAUJA FORESTLAND



## GAUJIENA – TRAPENE, 21 km

Along Latvia's longest larch alley to Trapene

The stretch of road between Gaujiena and Līzespasts leads through remote forests, surrounded by large swamps. Mežciems is the only settlement here, and there are no solitary homesteads. Further along, the 5 km walk from Līzespasts to Trapene features open agricultural landscapes with lush meadows and landscapes typical of western ALŪKSNE hillocks. About half of these 5 km lead through the breath-taking Trapene larch alley.

### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

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🕒 7 – 9 h

🚩 Gaujiena

🚩 Trapene

📍🚩 Gaujiena – Līzespasts –  
Trapene

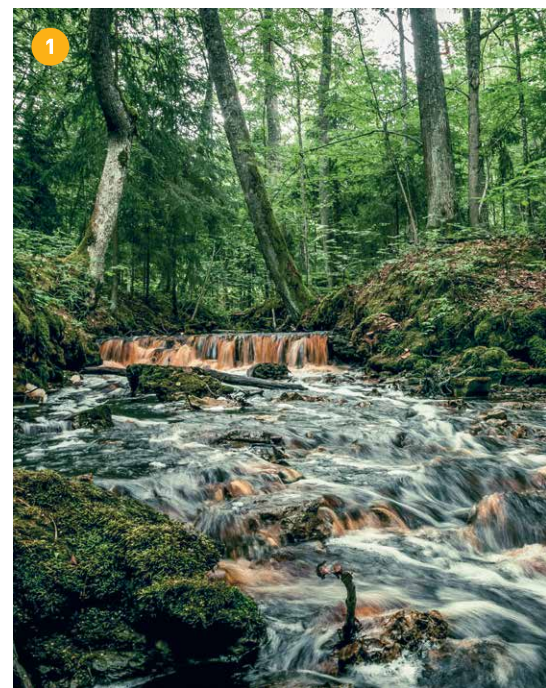
🚶🌲 Mainly gravel roads. Paved  
road in the section between  
Līzespasts and Trapene.

🟩 Easy

⚠️ The road through Trapene  
larch alley is narrow and  
winding, so be careful and  
observe safety rules!

❗ The only shops are located at  
the starting and end points.  
No places to eat between  
Strenči and Ape.

🚌 Līzespasts–Trapene  
section can be travelled by bus  
(in the evening).





## FORESTS

From Gaujiena, the Forest Trail winds along several large swamps: Melnšala, Sloka, Kaulezers and Tetersala, with “Paris” in the middle (some time ago, a baron who lived on this side loved name the houses of his gamekeepers after European cities). The common buzzard and other birds of prey are often spotted in the area. There are various specially protected habitats here: bogs, mires, old or naturally boreal (northern) forests, old mixed broadleaf forests. There is a protected European larch alley near Trapene, and many trees in the alley have reached formidable size. The alley is particularly important for maintaining the diversity of various insect species.

## WORTH SEEING!

- 1 Kalamecu-Markūzu ravines.**  
The glorious ravines with waterfalls and cave-like niche are most beautiful during spring rainfalls, when rapids and waterfalls form. GPS: 57.54597, 26.44651
- 2 Līzespasts post rider station and tavern complex.**  
Buildings on the Riga-Pskov road were built in early 19th century. GPS: 57.47620, 26.52625

- 3 Trapene larch alley.**  
The most spectacular larch tree alley in Latvia is located on the Līzespasts-Bornaņmuiža road. GPS: 57.456277, 26.564985
- 4 Baron Wulf's Bornaņmuiža Estate.**  
Since 1934, the building houses the Trapene People's House, now the Culture Centre. A monument to writer Linards Laicis is erected by the Culture Centre. GPS: 57.44949, 26.59496
- 5 Trapene Local Heritage House.**  
Part of the exposition is dedicated to the local author and poet Ojārs Vācietis. You can listen to recordings of the poet reciting his own poems. +371 25413403; GPS: 57.44840, 26.58960
- 6 Antiquities Museum “Fazāni”.**  
The collection contains around 40,000 items. The oldest item is the ~ 300-year-old refrigerator which used to belong to Ernst Glick. +371 29498605; GPS: 57.44815, 26.59789

## SERVICES

- Accommodations**
- 1. Guest House “Jaunzilākši”,**  
+37129204530; GPS: 57.45685, 26.30313
  - 2. Holiday House “Jaunvosi”,**  
+371 64355346 or +371 26116845;  
GPS: 57.51246, 26.67812
  - 3. Accommodation House “Kalpaki”,**  
+371 29160419; GPS: 57.51563, 26.68708

## Shops

- In Gaujiena,**  
GPS: 57.51726, 26.39951
- In Trapene,**  
GPS: 57.45059, 26.59204

## Pharmacy

- In Gaujiena:**  
GPS: 57.51897, 26.39866

## Public transport

The bus between Gaujiena and Trapene runs once a day in the morning; between Līzespasts and Trapene, depending on the day of the week, 1 to 3 times a day. Route timetables: [www.1188.lv](http://www.1188.lv)

## Rest areas

- 1. In Gaujiena,**   
GPS: 57.51199, 26.39348

## TOURIST INFORMATION:

- Gaujiena TIC,**  
Gaujiena, “Pilskalni”,  
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GPS: 57.51490, 26.39924