



## Tukums – Jāņukrogs

Through the best mushroom forests in the area

Along Melnezera street, the Forest Trail leaves Tukums. Up to Milzkalne, it winds through beautiful forests, except for a short section along Jaunūdrū road. Then the trail throws bows up and down along the backs of the steep hills of the Raudas massif. One of the highest points is Milzkalns, 113 m above sea level. Crossing the Tukums–Milzkalne–Smārde road (V1446), the Forest Trail leads through the Šlokenbeka Manor, crosses the Slocene river, turns around Bērzāji and further along the left bank of the Slocene curves through the beautiful forests to the Kārņiņi cemetery on the Tukums–Milzkalne–Smārde road. From here, Valguma lake, with accommodations nearby, is about 2.5 km away. Ķemeri National Park starts behind Bērzāji.



### PRACTICAL INFORMATION

..... 14 km

🕒 4 – 5 h

🚩 Tukums, the Sun hill (Saules kalns).

🚩 Kārņiņi cemetery near Tukums–Smārde road

📍🚶 Tukums – Milzkalne – Kārņiņi cemetery



Small forest trails, gravel and dirt roads, asphalt in Tukums and Milzkalne.



Easy



There may be damp places on the trails.



Be careful when walking along the side of the road and crossing roads!



The section of the Forest Trail from Šlokenbeka Manor to Kārņiņi cemetery leads along one of the Ķemeri National Park bicycle routes – the so-called “Šlokenbeka circle”, which is marked with white–blue–white paint on the trees. It is 2 kilometres from the end of the route to the Smārde train station.

## NATURE

More than 4,000 species of mushrooms have been identified in Latvia, some 300 of which are edible. Mushroom pickers usually recognize and pick only a few dozen of the edible mushrooms. The basic rule of mushrooming is to collect and use for food only those mushrooms that you know well and are not in doubt about! The most poisonous mushroom in Latvia is the death cap (*Amanita phalloides*), and the destroying angel (*Amanita virosa*) is very dangerous. 62 mushroom species are protected in Latvia. In summer and autumn, the great complement to food supplies and a source of vitamins are wild berries: wild strawberries, wild raspberries, blueberries, bog bilberries, blackberries, lingonberries and guelder roses, and in the bogs – cloudberry and cranberries.

## WORTH SEEING!

- 1 **Tile stream.** The stream is joined by several strong springs, so it is very rich in spring water. GPS: 56.98120, 23.17437
- 2 **Miķeļakmens or Michael's rock.** A big stone, on which 167 children once stood together. GPS: 56.98592, 23.19429
- 3 **Āžu kalns or the Mountain of Goats.** 480-520 m long and about 109 m high mountain. The climb to the mountain is called the Goat Trail. In clear weather, Durbe Castle is visible from the top. GPS: 57.00299, 23.16895
- 4 **Šlokenbeka Manor and the Latvian Road Museum.** One of the few examples of a fortified medieval manor in the Baltics and the only one in Latvia that today serves as a museum, hotel, pub, culture house and library. +371 29904147, 63182354; GPS: 56.97547, 23.22628
- 5 **Recreation complex "Valguma pasaule".** Barefoot trail, Nature paintings trail, labyrinths, Art space in the forest with large format photos. +371 29414022; GPS: 56.99022, 23.31542

- 6 **Smārdes medus (Smārdes honey).** During the tour you can get to know the process of making honey, pollen and bee bread, see the bees, find the queen bee, drones, and buy bee products. +371 25167097; GPS: 56.96111, 23.33219

## SERVICES

### Accommodations

1. Recreation complex "Siltmalas", +371 29424535; GPS: 56.97675, 23.20894
2. Hotel "Šlokenbekas muiža", +371 25155225; GPS: 56.97547, 23.22628
3. Guest house "Milzkalne.lv", +371 26545521, 29574890; GPS: 56.98186, 23.23642
4. Holiday house "Iglu Hut Milzkalne", +371 26545521; GPS: 56.98179, 23.23741
5. Tent site "Lejiņas", +371 29559767; GPS: 56.97832, 23.31314
6. Recreation complex "Valguma pasaule", +371 63181222, 29414022; GPS: 56.99022, 23.31542

### Catering

Catering places in Tukums:  
www.visittukums.lv

1. Pub "Šlokenbekas muiža", +371 23112233; GPS: 56.97547, 23.22628
2. Restaurant "Valguma pasaule", +371 63181222, 29414022; GPS: 56.99022, 23.31542
3. Cafe "Runcis", +371 63192256; GPS: 56.94554, 23.33815

### Shops

Local produce is available at Tukums Market on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. You can buy local seasonal fruits, berries and homemade products. GPS: 56.96828, 23.15200  
There are several shops in Tukums, 2 of which are open 24 hours a day:  
"Mego", +371 67775959; GPS: 56.97057, 23.16497  
"Pie Katrīnas", GPS: 56.96521, 23.15596  
"Citro" Milzkalnē, +371 28558015; GPS: 56.97810, 23.22827

### Pharmacies

Several in Tukums; 24-hour pharmacy: "Mana aptieka", GPS: 56.96610, 23.15523

### ATMs

Several in Tukums; closest to the route: GPS: 56.97192, 23.15315; GPS: 56.96594, 23.16137; GPS: 56.96770, 23.15791; GPS: 56.96997, 23.16279; GPS: 56.97028, 23.16754

### Public transport

The bus runs once a day on weekdays. www.1188.lv  
We recommend using the train on the route "Rīga – Tukums – Rīga", which runs several times a day. When getting off / at the station "Smārde" you have to walk 2.3 km to / from Kārniņi cemetery. www.pv.lv

### Resting areas

1. Šlokenbeka Manor, GPS: 56.97547, 23.22628

## TOURISM INFORMATION

**i** Tukums TIC, Talsu street 5, Tukums, www.visittukums.lv, +371 28311557; GPS: 56.96660, 23.15251

