



Itinerary: NIDA - PERVALKA - JUODKRANTĖ - SMILTYNĖ - KLAIPĖDA

Hiking route length: 59 km

Duration: **3 days** Difficulty level:

Nida (can arrive by bus from Klaipėda)

Klaipėda

It is possible to go to Nida 1 day earlier and stay overnight there.

This tour will take you on a walk through the Curonian Spit from Nida to Smiltynė. The Curonian Spit National Park is located on a long, sand-dune spit that separates the Curonian Lagoon from the Baltic Sea coast. A sand beach of ~50 km is running on the western side of the dune spit,

while the shore of the Curonian Lagoon is shallow and characteristic of ridged bays overgrown with reeds. The Baltic Coastal Hiking Route starts in the centre of Nida near the port. In Nida, it runs along the Curonian Lagoon promenade, offering beautiful views of the spacious waters. From Nida to Bulvikio Cape, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route winds along small forest paths leading up and down pine-covered dunes; in the village of Preila, the trail runs along the promenade of the lagoon. Between Pervalka and Juodkrantė, the Baltic Coastal Hiking Route leads along a beautiful, sandy beach. You can take the Ragany kalnas (Hill of Witches) trail in Juodkrantė. The route alternates between the Baltic Sea coast, the dunes and the Curonian Lagoon until it finally reaches the ferry, which will take you to Klaipėda.

DAY 1



Klaipėda - Nida



Nida - Pervalka

18 km 4 - 6 h



Pavement, pedestrian paths and promenade in populated areas. Forest trails with natural surface elsewhere and sand in some places.



Easy



At high water (in early spring and late autumn), a short section of the trail between Nida and Preila may be flooded. Be careful at the washed-out coastline as it can easily collapse!

Accommodation: in Pervalka.

DAY 2



Pervalka - Juodkrantė

18 km 4 - 6 h



Sandy beaches, single-track forest trails, paved pedestrian/cyclist lanes. Pavement and cobblestones in populated areas.



Easy



From Pervalka, it is recommended to take the circular nature trail (4-5 km) along the coast of the Curonian Lagoon to Horse Cape, which offers amazing views of the Nagliai Dune.

Accommodation: in Juodkrantė.



DAY 3



Juodkrantė - Klaipėda

23 km 6 - 8 h



Single-track forest trails and other trails, sandy beaches, paved beachside walkways.



Medium



Be careful when crossing the main road on the Curonian Spit (No. 167).



Check the ferry timetable in advance from Smiltynė to Klaipėda: www.keltas.lt. The New Ferry is used by vehicles, cyclists and pedestrians, while the Old Ferry is available only to pedestrians and cyclists.



You can walk to the pier (an additional 2 km out and back) from the Sea Museum (1.5 km from the Old Ferry).

Accommodation: in Klaipėda.