

TOURISM ROUTE

"LEIŠMALĪTE" DISCOVERIES IN ZEMGALE

Stories from different times highlight and point the current events. The work "Leišmalīte" by Imants Ziedonis and Rimants Ziedonis is a message of its time about people from the Latvian - Lithuanian border, a place marker and a proposal for trip around the Latvian border. When travelling, borders can disappear, strangers can become good acquaintances, the unknown can be discovered. And such is the journey to Leišmalīte, which seems to be different, but shapes and presents Zemgale.



- 1 Aknīste Town**
A beautiful small town on the banks of Dienvidsusēja River.
📍 Aknīste, Jēkabpils mun.
🌐 visit.jekabpils.lv
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- 2 Gārsene Castle**
It was built in neo-Gothic architectural style between 1856 and 1860. The castle has nature trails with more than 40 unique natural objects.
📍 "Labieši", Gārsene parish, Jēkabpils mun.
🌐 garsenespils.lv
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- 3 Jānis Jaunsudrabiņš Museum "Riekstiņi"**
The main exhibition presents the writer's life and work - his books, paintings, photographs and personal belongings.
📍 "Riekstiņi", Nereta parish, Aizkraukle mun.
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv



- 4 Pilkalne Manor**
The centre of the manor consists of the servants' residential place, outbuildings and a barn - the for ge, where a unique grain drying oven has been preserved. The buildings include a beautiful, well-kept park with veteran trees.
📍 Pilkalne, Pilskalne parish, Aizkraukle mun.
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv
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- 5 Ērberģe Manor**
The Manor Park has walking trails - Baron's, Blue Lady's, Shepherd's, Youth's and others - with challenges and surprises for visitors.
📍 Ērberģe, Mazzalve parish, Aizkraukle mun.
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv
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- 6 Kurmene Church and Manor's Complex**
You can walk around and see the restored manor barn, the park with a pond, and the Catholic church. The park has a clay pottery kiln and animal shelters housing ostriches, sheep, llamas, alpacas and other unique animals.
📍 Kurmene, Kurmene parish, Bauska mun.
🌐 visit.bauska.lv
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- 7 Brukna Manor**
The original owners of Brukna Manor (until 1920) are considered to be members of the German-Baltic aristocratic family - Bar on Korff. The manor ensemble was built in the mid-18th century, but its current appearance is a neoclassical rebuild from the 19th century.
📍 Brukna-1, Dāviņi parish, Bauska mun.
🌐 brukna.lv
☎ +371 28850225



- 8 Recreation Complex "Miķelis"**
The farmstead consists of a residential house, drying barn, shed, two barns, a stable and a forge. You can see a collection of old vehicles - cars, trucks and fire engines, various agricultural machinery, motorcycles and engines, more than 100 pieces of machinery in total.
📍 "Miķelis", Gailīši parish, Bauska mun.
🌐 mikelis.lv
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The main objects of the route, border manors and places of tradition are complemented by places of creativity, recreation and knowledge, which highlight the spirit and independence of Leišmalīte, also starting from the best-known and most noticeable places, which allow you to personalize the routes by creating customized travel programs before or during the trip.

- 1 Mini Zoo "Zajumnieku sēta"**
You will be welcomed by dwarf goats, the world's biggest and heaviest birds - a family of ostriches, and children will especially love guinea pigs, rabbits and other animals.
📍 "Zajumnieku sēta", Rite parish, Jēkabpils mun.
🌐 visit.jekabpils.lv
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- 2 Herbal and Sauna Island**
The opportunity to enjoy various sauna rituals, have a good time with friends or prepare your own scrub from local raw materials.
📍 "Vilkapurvi", Aknīste parish, Jēkabpils mun.
🌐 zalupirtssala.com
☎ +371 29128709



- 3 Zanda Regale ceramics workshop**
Zanda's ceramics workshop offers the opportunity to try your hand at making ceramics, as well as to buy them.
📍 Kalna Gribacāni, Nereta parish, Aizkraukle mun.
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv
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- 4 Vecmēmele Manor**
The territory of the manor is separated from the neighbouring Lithuania country only by the peacefully rustling Mēmele river. The manor house was built in the 19th century, is currently being restored and can be viewed.
📍 Vecmēmele, Mazzalve parish, Aizkraukle mun.
🌐 visitaizkraukle.lv
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- 5 Mazā muiža**
History enthusiasts who have fallen in love with the charm of the gallant of the Rococo era and are fans of other historical styles, have united in the association "Historical Reconstruction Studio "Rococo". "Mazā muiža" is association's creative space.
📍 Mazā muiža, Brunava parish, Bauska mun.
🌐 visit.bauska.lv
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- 6 V. Plūdonis Museum**
In the residence of the poet Vilis Plūdonis is an exposition dedicated to the life and works of the poet, while a family of rabbits created by woodcarver P. Students awaits guests at the *Zaķišu pirtiņa* (Rabbit's sauna).
📍 Lejenieki, Ceraukste parish, Bauska mun.
🌐 bauskamuzejs.lv
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- 7 Skaistkalne Magazine Barn**
Barn has historically been a part of the overall manor ensemble of Skaistkalne (Schonberg). An interactive and educational exhibition is placed in the barn to educate about geological and geomorphological processes on this area.
📍 Dzirnavu street 2A, Skaistkalne, Bauska mun.
🌐 visit.bauska.lv
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