

EXPLORE WITH US

15 July – 18 August 2019

WELCOME TO PIVKA

The Municipality of Pivka extends along varied landscape of the rocky Karst and green forest of the Notranjska region. Peaceful atmosphere of the countryside and hidden beauty of the landscape can be observed especially by travellers who decide to go by foot or by bike and by those, who are curious and instead of the city hustle and bustle, choose to see our natural attractions and meet our people. The Municipality of Pivka is home to many tourist farms and other providers of local products that will always warmly welcome you. Here, the authenticity of the area can be experienced by all the senses.

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➤➤➤ PARK OF MILITARY HISTORY

Welcome to the Park of Military History, a walk through the past! The Park of Military History is the largest museum complex in Slovenia, where you can see everything, from a bow from the Old Stone Age to exceptional examples of tanks, military planes, a German railway composition from the II. World War, and last but not least a submarine, which interior is also available to visit. The rich collection of the military technical heritage is a unique insight not only in the national but also in the global military history and represents important military moments until the crucial period of creation of the state of Slovenia. The Park of Military History, as a modern museum centre offers a lot more – a museum restaurant, a well-stocked museum shop, a rest area for motorhomes, and lots of pathways and hiking trails.



ALPINE WALL FORT ON PRIMOŽ HILL <<<

Take a walk on the popular hiking trail to the top of Primož hill (718 m) rising above Pivka, and explore the inside of the underground artillery fort. The mighty complex was an important strategic point of the defence system of the Alpine Wall, built by the Italian Army along the entire land border in the period between the First and the Second World War. The mysterious fort was supposed to be a command post for other forts around Pivka, but it was never used as such, because the Italian Army abandoned it after the capitulation. After the Second World War it was destroyed by the German army. Today, visitors can explore 500 meters of underground tunnels connecting all the functional spaces in the underground part.

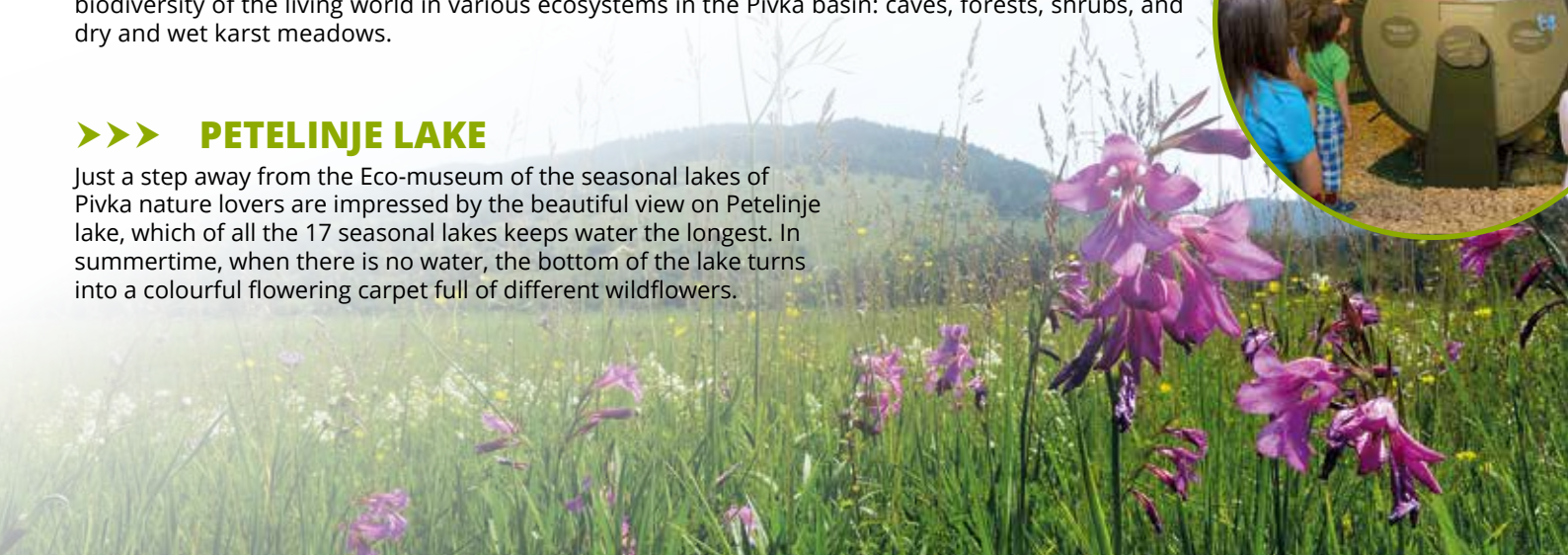
➤➤➤ ECO-MUSEUM OF THE SEASONAL LAKES OF PIVKA

Eco-museum of the Seasonal Lakes of Pivka is a story about water in the karst landscape of the upper Pivka basin, where at high water levels 17 intermittent lakes appear. Discover the secrets of their cyclical occurrence and of the local people who live in the area, where at one time there is too much water and at another too little. The Ecomuseum is also the starting point for discovering the great biodiversity of the living world in various ecosystems in the Pivka basin: caves, forests, shrubs, and dry and wet karst meadows.



➤➤➤ PETELINJE LAKE

Just a step away from the Eco-museum of the seasonal lakes of Pivka nature lovers are impressed by the beautiful view on Petelinje lake, which of all the 17 seasonal lakes keeps water the longest. In summertime, when there is no water, the bottom of the lake turns into a colourful flowering carpet full of different wildflowers.



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9.00–11.00 *Guided hike to Primož hill and visit of the inside of Alpine Wall fort Price: adults: 10 €, children: 5 € Meeting point: Park of Military History, Kolodvorska 51, Pivka Information: info@parkvojaskezhodovine.si, +386 31 775 002, www.parkvojaskezhodovine.si	10.00–11.00 Guided tour of the Ecomuseum of the Seasonal Lakes of Pivka Price: adults: 3,5 €, children 2,5 € Meeting point: Slovenska vas 10, Pivka Information: pivskajezer@pivka.si, +386 31 775 002, www.pivskajezer.si 11.00–11.45 Guided tour of the House of Culture in Pivka Price: adults: 2,5 €, children under 12: free entrance Meeting point: Snežniška cesta 2, Pivka Information: hkpiivka@gmail.com, +386 31 286 528, +386 31 768 427 17.00–19.00 Guided tour of the Volk farm and the presentation of the appaloosa horses Price: 10 €/person, suitable for persons above the age of 14 Mesto zbora: Suhorje, gps: 45.646 043, 14.089 587 Information: info@jahalnepocitnice.si, +386 31 773 474 Prior booking recommended!	10.00–12.00 Guided tour of Park of the Military History Price: adults: 10 €, children: 6 €, surcharge of 5 € per person for the tour of the submarine's interior Meeting point: Kolodvorska 51, Pivka Information: info@parkvojaskezhodovine.si, +386 31 775 002, www.parkvojaskezhodovine.si 16.00–20.00 *Cycling tour around Pivka (difficult trail) Price: adults: 15 €/person Meeting point: Ecomuseum of the Pivka intermittent lakes, Slovenska vas 10, Pivka Information: peter.spele@gmail.com, +386 31 363 745	9.00–11.00 *Guided hike to Primož hill with the visit of the inside of the Alpine Wall Fort Price: adults: 10 € per person, children: 5 € Meeting point: Park of Military History, Kolodvorska 51, Pivka Information: info@parkvojaskezhodovine.si, +386 31 775 002, www.parkvojaskezhodovine.si 17.00–20.00 *Guided tour to Sv. Trojica mountain Price: adults: 10 €, children: 5 € Meeting point: Trnje – sports ground, gps: 45.687569, 14.225976 Information: peter.spele@gmail.com, +386 31 363 745	10.00–11.00 Guided tour of the fruit farm Biščak Price: adults: 10 €, children: 5 € Meeting point: Buje 5, Vremški Britof Information: 041 919 760, anton.biscak@buje.net 17.00–18.00 Guided tour of the Ecomuseum of the Seasonal Lakes of Pivka Price: adults: 3,5 €, children: 2,5 € Meeting point: Slovenska vas 10, Pivka Information: pivskajezer@pivka.si, +386 31 775 002, www.pivskajezer.si

*In case of bad weather, all hiking and bike tours are cancelled.
 All guided tours and visits are in English.
 Payments made to providers of services.

➤➤➤ FRUIT FARM BIŠČAK

The family farm Biščak has a tradition of more than a decade of integrated apple growing and production of spirits, we also cultivate other types of fruit and we process homemade agricultural products. We offer guided tours of the farm and the orchard, degustation, where we offer homemade fresh and dried fruit, spirits, liqueurs, apple juice, apple vinegar, marmalades, and other many times awarded delicacies.

➤➤➤ FARM VOLK AND THE PRESENTATION OF THE APPALOOSA HORSES

Visit the organic farm Volk and meet a herd of beautiful Indian horses of the appaloosa breed, which we have been breeding for more than 15 years. We offer a presentation of our way of working with horses, and the western way of riding. You can experience how the horses respond to the language of your body.

SUHORJE VILLAGE <<<<

Suhorje is one of the oldest villages in the region of Brkini, which preserved its authenticity, and has a rich culture and tradition. During the guided tour, you can admire the architecture of the village with a chapel, a village lighthouse, the church of St. Nicholas and farmhouses with stone portals, which hide interesting village yards. There is also an exhibition of traditional Easter eggs of Suhorje and handicrafts made by skilled villagers. The village house hosts a symbolic reception.



SATURDAY	SUNDAY
10.00–12.00 Guided tour of Suhorje village Price: 13 €/person Meeting point: Suhorje 23 A, at the monument Information: +386 64 286 246 ali +386 70 291 485 !Prior booking required!	11.00–12.00 Guided tour of the Ecomuseum of the Seasonal Lakes of Pivka Price: adults: 3,5 €, children: 2,5 € Meeting point: Slovenska vas 10, Pivka Information: pivskajezera@pivka.si, +386 31 775 002, www.pivskajezera.si
17.00–19.00 Cycling tour around the Pivka Lakes Nature Park (easy trail) Price: adults: 10 €, children: 5 € Meeting point: Ecomuseum of the Pivka intermittent lakes, Slovenska vas 10, Pivka Information: peter.spele@gmail.com, +386 31 363 745	15.00–17.00 Guided tour of the Park of Military History Price: adults: 10 €, children: 6 €; surcharge of 5 € per person for the tour of the submarine's interior Meeting point: Kolodvorska 51, Pivka Information: info@parkvojaskezkodovine.si, +386 31 775 002, www.parkvojaskezkodovine.si
	17.00–18.30 *Walk from the Ecomuseum to Petelinje lake Price: 5 €/person Meeting point: Slovenska vas 10, Pivka Information: pivskajezera@pivka.si, +386 31 775 002, www.pivskajezera.si



➤➤➤ CYCLING TOUR AROUND PIVKA DIFFICULT TRAIL

The cycling trail will lead you from the village Slovenska vas to the lakes of Petelinje and Palčje, through Juršče to Zagorje, and to the ruins of the castle Kalc, with the climb to Šilentabor, which will reward you with a magnificent view on the Valley of Šmihel. After a well-deserved break, you will continue in the direction of Narin, through Šmihel, to the farm Ravne, home to young Lipizzan horses, continuing through the villages of Dolnja Košana and Gornja Košana, passing the railway station, Osojnica hill, and the village of Kal, before returning back to Pivka.

! The trail is almost 50 kilometres long with approximately 800-meter height difference. The trail requires a mountain bike with good tires. The helmet is obligatory. Make sure you have enough liquids with you.

➤➤➤ CYCLING TOUR AROUND THE PIVKA LAKES NATURE PARK EASY TRAIL

The cycling trail will lead you from the village of Slovenska vas to the Petelinje lake continuing past the pastures, through the majestic forest to Palčje lake. You will continue in the direction of the church of Trnje, with a beautiful view on Trnje and Pivka, returning along a field trail to the starting point in the village of Slovenska vas.

! The trail is easy, long almost 12 kilometres with approximately 200-meter height difference. The trail requires a mountain bike with good tires. The helmet is obligatory. Make sure you have enough liquids with you.



SV. TROJICA MOUNTAIN <<<

The climb to Sv. Trojica, 1123 metres high mountain rising above the Pivka basin, will reward you with amazing views on the basin and surrounding peaks of Snežnik, Nanos, Vremščica and Planinska gora. On a clear day, you can even see the Adriatic Sea. Shadowy shelter of pine and beech forest will protect you from the sun almost to the top, on which stands the recently renovated Holy Trinity Church (Sv. Trojica), mentioned by Vavasor in the 17th century.

! The trail is not difficult, the climb lasts approximately 1.5 hours. The wind can be strong on the top, so we recommend you to take spare dry clothes and a windbreaker. It is necessary to have appropriate footwear and enough liquids.

VREMŠČICA MOUNTAIN <<<

A pleasant hiking trail will lead you through the shadowy pine forest and along the high grass slopes to one of the most popular hiking peaks in the surrounding area. The 1027 meters high Vremščica, which rises between the municipalities of Pivka and Divača, offers on a clear day an amazing view on Triglav, the Dolomites, and Snežnik, all the way to the Gulf of Trieste. During blossom time, you can admire colourful mountain flowers. Before returning into the valley and into the everyday life, you will be able to ring the bell for good luck in the church of St. Urban.

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HOUSE OF CULTURE IN PIVKA <<<

The House of Culture in Pivka is the central gallery on the field of visual arts between Ljubljana and Koper. The House of Culture offers more than 60 graphic works and art publications of the young generations of Slovene artists. Furthermore, the group of visual artists KOLEKTIVA with its current exhibition Special Places, as the part of a multiannual project, presents European cities through a personal perspective of the local population.

EXPERIENCE THE GREEN KARST

➤➤➤ PLAN YOUR CYCLING OR HIKING TOUR IN THE GREEN KARST



Treat yourself to a short escape from everyday stress and long working days and take some time for only yourself and your loved ones! Go on a guided cycling or hiking trip in the Green Karst and in the company of an experienced guide discover hidden corners of the landscape to the extent and the content adapted to your interest and capabilities. Numerous bike and hiking trails offer an unforgettable experience and are also suitable not only for families with children but also for experienced adventurers looking for demanding evening tours. We also offer the possibility to rent cycling equipment, and we also provide lunch at one of the local restaurants for all the participants.

Price: from 25 €/person (The price includes guiding services, rent a bike and lunch)

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➤➤➤ BEAR WATCHING TOUR IN ITS NATURAL HABITAT

While visiting the Green Karst do not miss the unique opportunity to explore vast forests of the Notranjska region and their hidden inhabitants! Under tree crowns, a true wild experience is waiting for you, which requires some courage, but is also rewarding. Follow the traces of the brown bear and enter the habitat of this magnificent animal living in our forests. The bear watching tour starts in the evening hours in the company of a professional guide. With a little bit of luck, from the treetop hunting lookouts you will be able to observe the bear in its natural surroundings. Together with a local guide and a hunter you will look for signs of presence of the brown bear in nature and discover the characteristics of coexistence of humans and bears.

It is mandatory to wear appropriate clothing. You should not wear any perfume. Bear watching tours are suitable for groups of 2 to 3 persons.

Price: 1 person: 150 €; 2 persons: 180 €; 3 persons: 225 €

Duration: 3–4 hours

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FOLLOW THE HIDDEN PATHS TO THE WILD SIDE OF THE MT. SNEŽNIK <<<

The unspoiled nature and varied relief of the Green Karst have many excursion points that can satisfy those who love to spend their leisure time in nature, as well as mountain adventurers used to do demanding climbs on less known routes. The latter will be impressed by the highest peak of the Green Karst, Mt. Snežnik (1796 m), also the king of the mountains in the region of Primorska. Take on a guided day trip in the heart of the forest of Snežnik, where during a walk along forgotten routes a soothing shilling of the tree crowns of the old forest will accompany you. The route has breath-taking views on unique karst phenomena and plants, typical of this area, where Mediterranean and continental climates meet. Forest animals will observe you from a safe distance, while with every walked meter you will get a better glimpse of the sky.

Hiking clothes and footwear are obligatory.

Price: 120 €/person; 140 €/3 persons; 160 €/4 persons

(In addition to guiding, the price includes also lunch)

Duration: 10 hours

(of which 5 hours of walk, therefore, some physical fitness is needed)

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