



BOATING ROUTE: BAUSKA-MEŽOTNE (11 KM, ~5 H)

It is one of the most popular and scenic boating routes along the Lielupe River and is also known as the "Golden Section of the Lielupe."

This route is moderately difficult but suitable for a wide range of people, including families with children. It is important to note that in the spring and after heavy rains, strong currents may be observed in the upper reaches of the Lielupe River between Bauska and Mežotne.

Notable sights along the riverbanks: the Ziedoņi dolomite outcrops, Jumpravmuiža Park and cliffs, the IGO Music and Art Center "Ceplis," Mazmežotne Manor, Mežotne Castle, Mežotne Castle Hill, and others.



CYCLING ROUTE NO. 401: "CASTLES AROUND BAUSKA"

A circular cycling route that we recommend starting in Bauska's Old Town, then continuing in the direction of Rundāle or Mežotne, depending on your preference. The route includes riding on highways and country roads.

Mežotne Castle is connected to Mežotne Hill by a pontoon footbridge, which is accessible from May through October. Due to fluctuations in water levels, we recommend checking with the Bauska Tourist Information Center for the latest information on the bridge's accessibility.



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ROUTE MAP



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Begin your journey with a touch of nostalgia at the **Bauska Motor Museum**, where a unique collection of 20th-century automobiles and motorcycles awaits, including Soviet 4x4 vehicles, rare RAF vans, and WWII military machines, found only here!

Continue to the romantic **Jumpravmuiža Park**, where dolomite cliffs, artificial castle ruins, and peaceful streams create an enchanting atmosphere. For an unforgettable moment, enjoy a **horseback ride** through the scenic park or even plan a **wedding ceremony** here.

At the **Igo Music and Art Centre "Ceplis"**, creativity thrives within the walls of industrial heritage. Learn about the beginnings of brick kiln craftsmanship and participate in a **deco technique masterclass** created by the artist himself.

In the **Mežotne area**, visit the **home of sculptor Mārtiņš Zauris**, where every detail – from the door handle to an entire miniature palace – tells a story infused with meaning.

Nature lovers will enjoy the **Garozas Manor Park**, where a small stream, arched wooden bridges and elements of Baroque and Sentimentalist design create a fairytale-like ambience. Children and adults alike will delight in the **"Rabbit Town"**, a miniature village inhabited by a wide variety of four-legged residents and an enthusiastic, welcoming owner.

Outdoor enthusiasts can embark on a **canoeing adventure on the River Lielupe**, following the popular **"Bauska – Mežotne Hillfort"** route, which reveals the river's might and the dolomite cliffs characteristic of the region. Alternatively, join a true cycling expedition along route **No. 401 "Castles Around Bauska"**, offering a fresh view of the surrounding landscapes.

To conclude your journey, treat yourself to one of **Bauska Region's local flavours** – at the **"Celmi" farm**, traditional homemade cheeses are produced in both savoury and sweet varieties, including smoked and fresh options.

For a fuller experience, we recommend visiting in summer, especially during the concert evenings at the **Igo Music and Art Centre "Ceplis"**, where Igo and other well-known Latvian musicians perform on an authentic open-air stage.



POINTS OF INTEREST



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BAUSKA MOTOR MUSEUM

A branch of Riga Motor Museum showcasing 20th-century automotive and motorcycle history, Soviet all-wheel-drive vehicles, unique RAF vehicles, and World War II combat machines. Interactive activities for children, creative workshops, wedding photo stops, and seminar rooms are available. Address: Derpeles iela 2, Bauska, Ph. +371 67025887, www.motormuzejs.lv



JUMPRAVMUIŽAS PARK

A branch of Riga Motor Museum showcasing 20th-century automotive and motorcycle history, Soviet all-wheel-drive vehicles, unique RAF vehicles, and World War II combat machines. Interactive activities for children, creative workshops, wedding photo stops, and seminar rooms are available. Address: Jumprava, Mežotnes pag., Ph. +371 25415570, www.jumprava.webnode.lv



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IGO MUSIC AND ART CENTRE “CEPLIS” 🚫

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, Cepelis Village was home to an industrial complex including a lime kiln, brick factory, tile factory, stove pot workshop, glazing shop, and more. Since 2016, singer Igo has been managing the site. Visitors can explore the historic lime kiln building with its massive central chimney over two floors, join tours, participate in deco technique masterclasses, and purchase souvenirs. Address: “Kaļķu dedzinātava”, Mežotnes pag., Ph. +371 29141042

“TRUŠU PILSĒTIŅA” (RABBIT TOWN)

An open-air attraction for visitors of all ages — a miniature town with houses, a church, a town hall, and other buildings. Visitors can meet various breeds of rabbits, Highland cattle, goats, poultry, and other farm animals. Address: Codes pag., Ph. +371 29548071, www.trusupilsetina.lv



MEŽOTNES PALACE

A nationally protected cultural monument and one of the finest examples of Classicism architecture in Latvia. Built in the 18th century, designed by Italian architect Giacomo Quarenghi, and supervised by German architect Johann Georg Adam Berlic. Restored in 2001, it is accompanied by a large English-style landscape park. Address: Pils iela 1, Mežotne, Ph. +371 63962197 or +371 26499151

GAROZAS MANOR PARK

Dating back to 1791, the park is a landscaped garden featuring elements from Baroque and Sentimentalist styles. The small River Garoza flows through the park, crossed by a romantic arched wooden bridge; a nearby pond complements the scenery. Address: Garoza



SCULPTOR MĀRTIŅŠ ZAURS' HOUSE 🚫

A unique opportunity to visit the home of the renowned sculptor and artist Mārtiņš Zauris, viewing his artworks and the place where true masterpieces were created. Every detail in his home is thoughtfully designed – from the door handles to an entire miniature palace. Address: “Stūrīši”, Mežotnes pag., Ph. +371 26537114

FARMSTEAD “VAIDELOTES”

Visitors can explore collections of herbs and medicinal plants, taste herbal teas, enjoy traditional Latvian cuisine, relax under a large oak, learn about Latvian wisdom, rural daily life and healthy nutrition, and discover the process of bread making. The farm also hosts celebrations of Latvian seasonal festivals with songs, dances and mask performances. Address: “Vaidelotes”, Codes pag., Ph. +371 29389993



TASTINGS & CRAFTS

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FARMSTED “CELMĪ” 🚫

Homemade cheese and dairy product tastings. Address: Codes pag., Ph. +371 27007900 www.celmi.lv



“JOGITA ART STUDIO” 🚫

Ceramics masterclasses, tableware purchase. Address: “Lielvaldavas”, Vecsaules pag., Ph. +371 22314992



DINING

- ◆ Pub “Aveni”, Avenmuiža, Bauska, Ph. +371 63960150, www.aveni.lv
- ◆ Cafe “Minču štelles”, “Minči”, Codes pag., Ph. +371 20276763, www.mincustelles.com

- ◆ Bistro-bar “Twigs Cafe”, “Zariņi”, Codes pag., Ph. +371 25972879
- ◆ Cafe “Wild Rančo”, “Kausiņi”, Codes pag., Ph. +371 22483449



ACCOMMODATION

- ◆ Holiday house “Baltās anemones”, A.Lāča 17, Mežotnes pag., Ph. +371 29282312
- ◆ Guest house “Kavalieru māja”, Jumpravmuižas parks, Mežotnes pag., Ph. +371 25415570
- ◆ Guest house “Nameji”, Codes pag., Ph. +371 29882122
- ◆ Vacation house “Dole”, Codes pag., Ph. +371 29451809



ACTIVE LEISURE & WELLBEING



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BIKE YARD “VELOSĒTA”

- ◆ Bike maintenance and rental. Address: Kalna iela 12, Bauska Ph. +371 29294678

BOAT RENTAL “BRĀĻU LAIVAS” 🚫

- ◆ Canoe rental. Address: Apakšstacija 3, Bauska, Ph. +371 26590128, www.bralulaivas.lv

HORSE RIDING AT “HAPPY HOBBY HORSES” 🚫

- ◆ Field, terrain, hippotherapy. Address: Jumpravmuiža, Mežotnes pag., Ph. +371 25415570

HORSE RIDING AT MĒMELES JSK 🚫

- ◆ Field. Address: Codes pag., Ph. +371 25522227



PICNIC AREAS



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€ ADMISSION FEE

- ◆ Jumpravmuižas park (tea house, benches, tables) € 🚫



PUBLIC TOILETS

- ◆ T/C “Rimi” (Pionieru iela 2, Bauska)
- ◆ Bauskas town square (Between Pasta ielu 5 and Pasta ielu 9)
- ◆ Fuel station “Viada Bauska” (“Dīči-1”, Bauska)

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