



VISIT ŠIAULIAI

# Cycling routes in Šiauliai

Šiauliai is a bike-friendly city. Both city streets and forest paths, parks are full of bicycles ranging from tricycles to sports bicycles, bikes with trailers or tandem bikes. You will not get lost with this publication, which contains a lot of useful, practical information, ideas for meaningful leisure time and your own routes in Šiauliai.

Travel by bike and discover the most beautiful places in Šiauliai!



As soon as you leave Šiauliai in a South or North direction, new adventures and very popular objects await you: The Hill of Crosses, Naisiai, Kurtuvėnai Regional Park, lakes and rivers.

Great bike tracks, rest stops are waiting for the travellers. You can find more information about bicycle routes and places of interest in Šiauliai region by visiting the website [visitsiauliai.lt](http://visitsiauliai.lt).

Šiauliai Boulevard would be very convenient to whoosh by bike, but it is a pedestrian zone. We recommend that you leave your bicycles at the approaches to the boulevard and take a walk along the third street of its kind in Europe – the pride of Šiauliai

## ŠIAULIAI TOURISM INFORMATION CENTRE

Vilniaus St. 213, Šiauliai

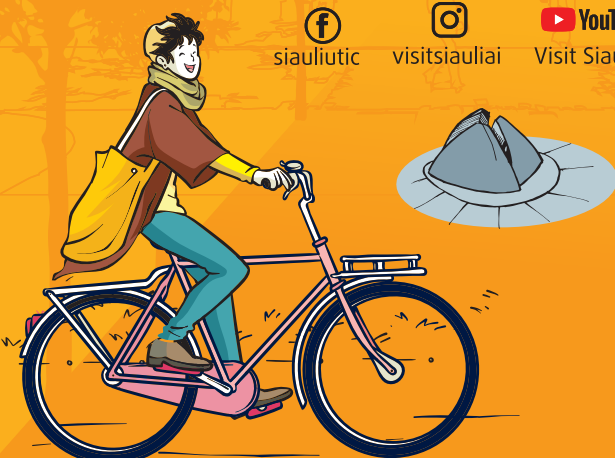
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## Useful information

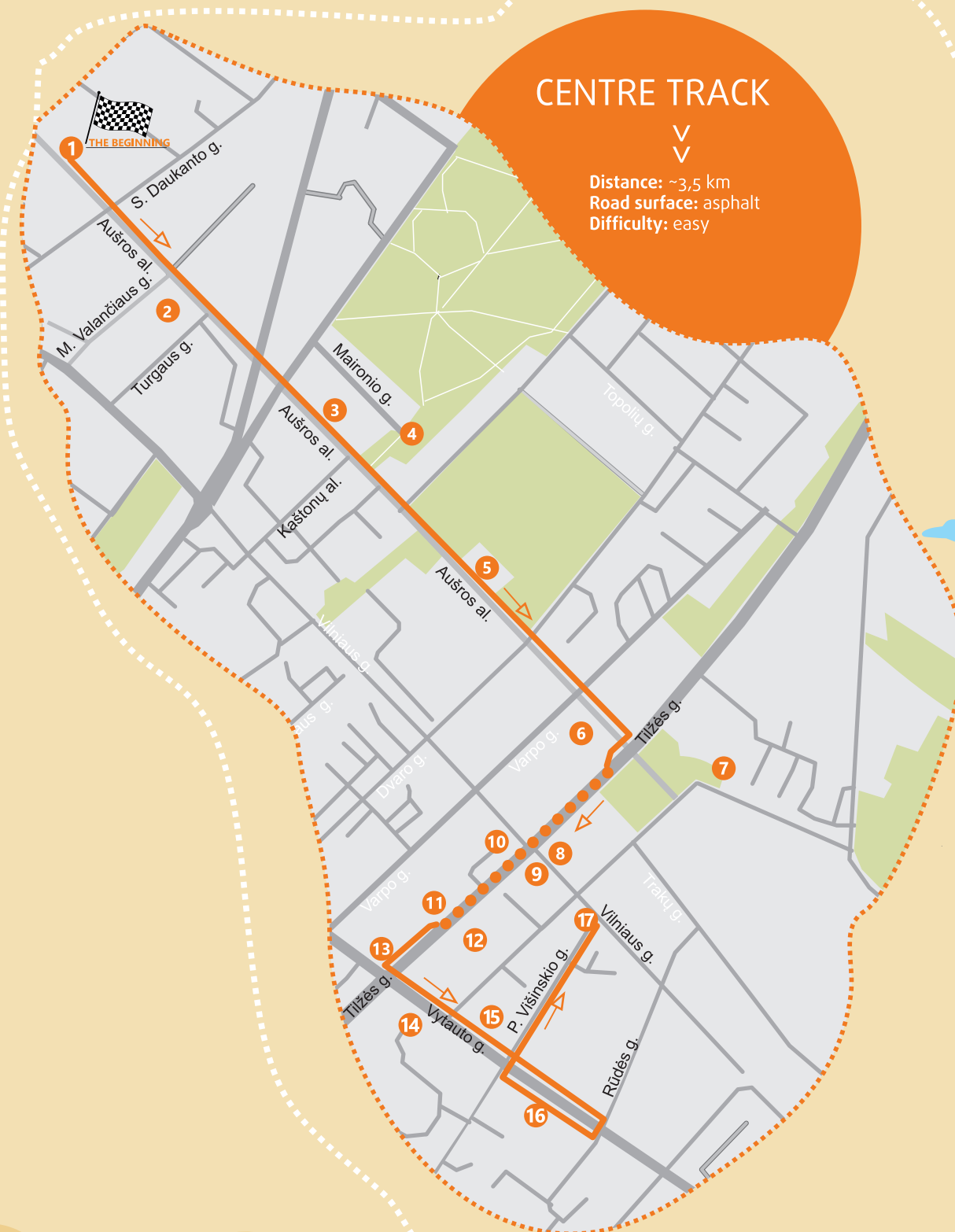
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## CENTRE TRACK

Distance: ~3,5 km  
Road surface: asphalt  
Difficulty: easy



## THE GREEN CIRCLE

Distance: ~7,5 km  
Road surface: asphalt, gravel road  
Difficulty: intermediate



Bicycle or pedestrian track

Street, road

Forest, field road

A bicycle lane on the road with quite heavy traffic

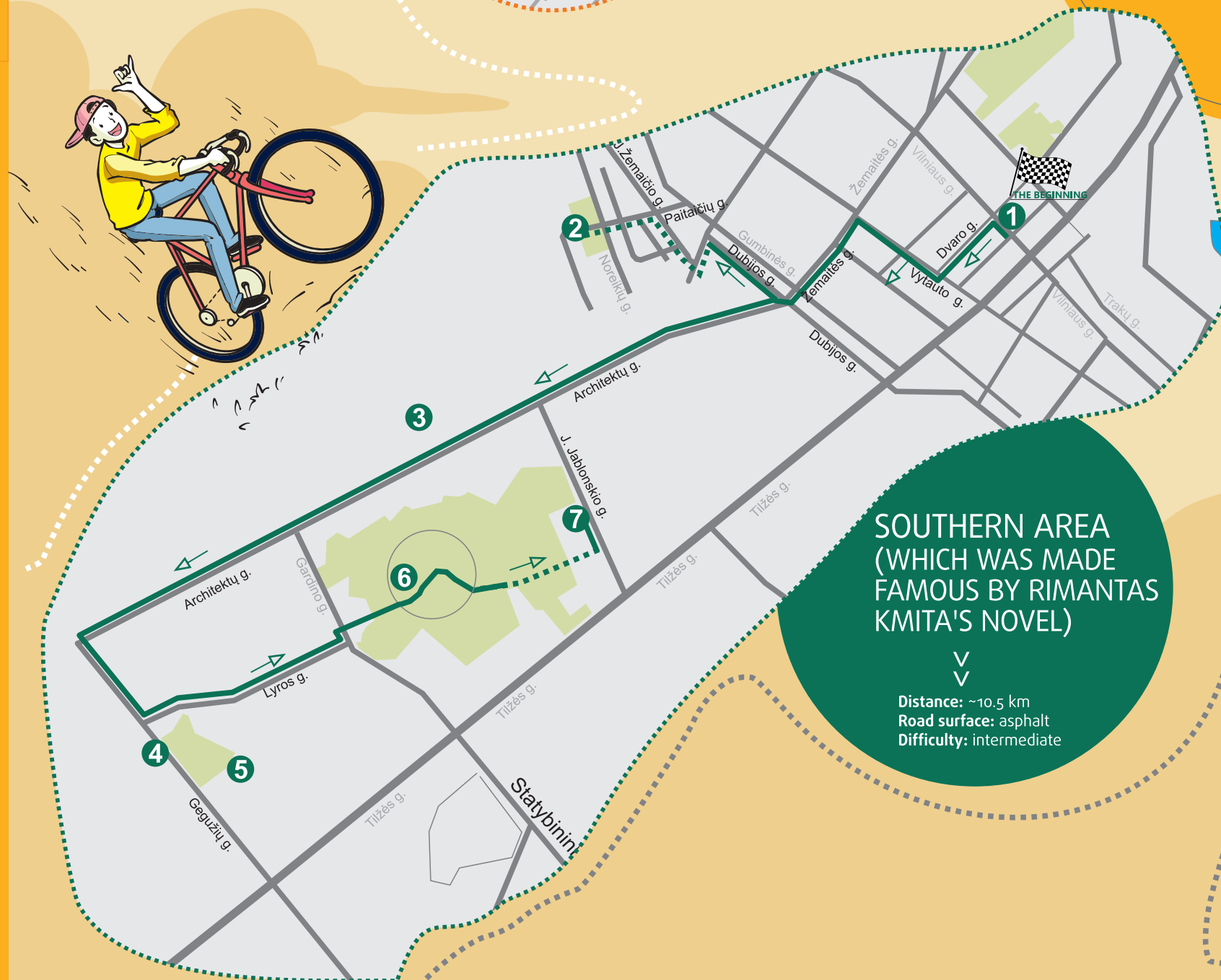
## RESORT IN THE CITY

Distance: ~15 km  
Road surface: asphalt, gravel road, unpaved road  
Difficulty: intermediate



## SOUTHERN AREA (WHICH WAS MADE FAMOUS BY RIMANTAS KMITA'S NOVEL)

Distance: ~10,5 km  
Road surface: asphalt  
Difficulty: intermediate





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Road surface: asphalt  
Difficulty: easy

The central part of the city has the most stops: traffic lights, crossings, sculptures, street art. There is no need to rush here, you can enjoy and get to know the city's beauty and history. While cycling on one of the most unique streets in Šiauliai – Aušros Avenue, don't miss:

- buildings of interwar modernist architecture;
- artistic inclusions hidden in the pavement;
- manor house and two parks;
- wooden villas in the wooden architecture park quarter.

Proposed direction: Aušros Avenue – Tilžės St. – Vytauto St. – P. Višinskio St.



Places of interest:

- 1 **THE HOUSE OF ARTIST GERARDAS BAGDONAVIČIUS** (the beginning of the route)

Aušros Ave. 84, 55-941557, 23-303138

From 1936 to 1986, this house was the home of G. Bagdonavičius, one of the most famous 20th century artists of Šiauliai, one of the pioneers of ex-libris and design in Lithuania, an art pedagogue and photographer.

- 2 **ŠIAULIAI HISTORY MUSEUM**

Aušros Ave. 47, 55-939122, 23-305972

The newly reconstructed museum houses modern and contemporary archaeology and history expositions and open repositories-expositions offering to get acquainted with abundant collections of the most valuable exhibits.

- 3 **ARTISTIC ACCENT PAINTBRUSH**

Aušros Ave. 62, 55-937602, 23-310255

The artistic accent *Paintbrush*, created by Martynas Gaubas, is an attention-grabbing sculpture dedicated to G. Bagdonavičius, one of the most famous artists of Šiauliai, who was called "a small paintbrush" by his friends.



- 4 **CENTRAL CITY PARK**

55-937276, 23-312053

Today's park is renovated and is undergoing a real renaissance. Walking paths have been put in order, children's playgrounds and sports fields, a fountain have been set up, and the biggest summer concerts take place on the fundamentally renewed summer concert stage again.

- 5 **ZUBOVAI MANOR AND DIDŽDVARIS (ZUBOVAI) PARK**

Aušros Ave. 50, 55-93546, 23-314244

According to the inventories of Šiauliai economy of 1786 and 1789, the administrator's two-storey brick residence was built. The manor was expanded during the reign of the Zubovai.



- 6 **ST APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL'S CATHEDRAL**

Aušros Ave. 3, 55-932754, 23-320415

The architectural monument of the Renaissance era is the city's most striking highlight. It is believed that the construction of the current brick church was completed in 1634. It is like a sign of the city centre to the visitor.



- 7 **RESURRECTION SQUARE**

Intersection of Aušros Ave. and Tilžės St., 55-932961, 23-316566

For centuries, the square has been the site of markets, fairs and live trading. The recently renovated square is equipped with cubes making sense of 8 centuries of Šiauliai, a viewing platform on the wall of the square, and a gushing fountain attracting townspeople and guests to refresh themselves on a hot summer afternoon or to enjoy the evening views of the fountain.

- 8 **MUSEUM OF PHOTOGRAPHY**

Vilniaus St. 140, 55-931555, 23-315467

It is one of the first specialized museums of photographic technology and art in Eastern and Central Europe. The museum is located in the very centre of Šiauliai, in an authentic building of the modernist architecture in the interwar period of the 20th century.

- 9 **CLOCK COCK SQUARE / CITY CLOCK COCK**

Vilniaus St. (Šiauliai Boulevard), 55-931201, 23-315099

The symbol of the centre of Šiauliai not only sings, but also greets passers-by: "Welcome to Šiauliai!". The greeting text sounds in different languages at 12 o'clock and at 6 p.m.



- 10 **FOUNTAIN-SCULPTURE PELICANS**

Vilniaus St. (Šiauliai Boulevard), 55-931412, 23-315014

One of the oldest city fountains in the busiest part of the pedestrian boulevard was built in 1978. The author of the sculpture is Birutė Kasperavičienė.



- 11 **JULIUS JANONIS GYMNASIUM**

Tilžės St. 137, 55-930794, 23-313123

It is one of the oldest gymnasiums in Lithuania. As many as four gymnasium graduates were among twenty signatories of the Act of Independence of Lithuania, signed on February 16, 1918. This important fact is evidenced by the artistic accents with stylized signatures of the signatories, installed near the gymnasium.



- 12 **STAINED GLASS THE BATTLE OF THE SUN**

Tilžės St. 140, 55-929926, 23-313315

This is an impressive, magnificent work of art, the first monumental art work of such theme and such scale in the country, created by the artist Kazys Morkūnas. The stained glass was unveiled in 1986 and marks the 750th anniversary of Šiauliai city.

- 13 **CHOCOLATE MUSEUM RŪTA**

Tilžės St. 133, 55-929918, 23-31177

The museum exposition presents not only an interesting history of the factory, but also reveals the secrets and peculiarities of four millennia of chocolate consumption.

SOUTHERN AREA (WHICH WAS MADE FAMOUS BY RIMANTAS KMITA'S NOVEL) >>

Distance: ~10.5 km  
Road surface: asphalt  
Difficulty: intermediate

This is the most colourful thematic route, definitely worth trying. The route with the longest distances, which will require endurance: natural, sports, historical and religious objects are found on the way.

Proposed direction: Vilniaus St. – Dvaro St. – Vytauto St. – Žemaitės St. – Dubijos St. – J. Žemaičio St. – Paitaičių St. – J. Žemaičio St. – Dubijos St. – Žemaitės St. – Architektų St. – Gegužių St. – Lyros St. – J. Jablonskio St.

Places of interest:

- 1 **BALTIC CULTURE EDUCATION CENTRE "BALTS' ROAD" AND TOURISM INFORMATION CENTRE** (the beginning of the route)

Vilniaus St. 213, 55-932575, 23-312942

The history and culture of Balts is presented in the first interactive Baltic culture centre in Lithuania and Latvia using modern technologies, copies of exhibits, and educational activities. You will find as many as four interactive games in the centre.



- 2 **BOTANICAL GARDEN**

Paitaičių St. 4, 55-933039, 23-283056

Over 4600 species and breeds of plants are grown here. The garden hosts events, cognitive and educational activities are organised. It is a great place to get to know plants, the diversity of their species and breeds.

- 3 **ŽALIŪKIAI MILLER'S HOMESTEAD-MUSEUM**

Architektų St. 73, 55-923895, 23-27207

All-year-round the daily life of the miller's family – grain grinding, bread baking – is going on, while the routine is varied by Lithuanian folk holidays. The renovated windmill is the only surviving structure of Lithuanian traditional wooden architecture of the second half of the 19th century in Šiauliai.



- 4 **CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Gegužių St. 57, 55-91261, 23-253132

The architecture of the modern church bears a symbolic meaning – the building reminds two palms put together for a prayer. The walls of the church are decorated with the Stations of the Cross, created by sculptor priest Antanas Rimavičius.



- 5 **CHILDREN'S PLAY AND LEISURE PARK BERŽYNĖLIS**

Gegužių St./Dainų St., 55-910829, 23-256375

The park is equipped with children's playgrounds, a skateboarding track, spatial animal sculptures made of wood, a board game area, etc.

- 6 **DAINAI PARK**

55-917607, 23-274347

The park is a great place to ride bicycles and to listen to the chirp of birds in the rest areas with benches. If you managed to look at the park from above, you would see the Sun – the symbol of the city.

- 7 **ŠIAULIAI ARENA** (the end of the route)

J. Jablonskio St. 16, 55-920555, 23-282588

Šiauliai Arena is the largest multifunctional complex in the northern Lithuania region. According to its unique architectural solution, one of the most beautiful arenas in Lithuania is suitable for organizing various indoor events.

- 14 **WATER TOWER**

Vytauto St. 103, 55-929149, 23-312377

It is an important point of interest in the panorama of the city's central part. In 2020, while repairing the facade of the water tower, a red brick cross was found in the wall. On February 16, 1989, the three-colour flag fluttered again on this tower for the first time in Šiauliai.



- 15 **THE CENTS ROOM**

Vytauto St. 84, 55-929023, 23-313331

Introduction of the euro gave birth to the idea of the monument to the Lithuanian currency – the Cents Room. The walls and ceiling of the room are covered with cents, and a symbolic throne is built with a huge one litas coin and a map of Lithuania above it. 157130 coins were used to set up the Cents



- 16 **VENCLAUSKIAI HOUSE-MUSEUM**

Vytauto St. 89, 55-927788, 23-315639

It is a striking object of modernist architecture in the interwar period. Since 2019, the restored building has housed historical exhibitions, events and workshops have been organized here. The Orphans' Garden invites visitors to have fun on the children's playground or just to relax and chat.



- 17 **PHARMACY VALERIJONAS** (the end of the route)

Vilniaus St. 173, 55-930503, 23-316523

The pharmacy located on Šiauliai Boulevard has been operating since 1870. Now Valerijonas is not only a pharmacy but also a Provence-style teahouse, Pharmacy museum, well-liked by Šiauliai residents and the city's guests. The natural composition creams created by pharmacists have gained great success.



THE GREEN CIRCLE >>

Distance: ~7,5 km  
Road surface: asphalt, gravel road  
Difficulty: intermediate



Just a few turns – and you are already surrounded by nature. Forest paths, the lake coast revive in the summer and surprise with colours in the autumn. You can cycle to Chaimas Frenkelis' Villa-Museum and visit a unique museum to see the cats.

Proposed direction: Vilniaus St. – St. Šalkauskio St. – coast of Lake Talkša – Žuvininkų St. – Aleksandrijos St. – Pavasario St. – Salduvės St. – Seduvos St. – Žuvininkų St. – Vilniaus St.

Places of interest:

- 1 **BICYCLE MUSEUM** (the beginning of the route)

Vilniaus St. 139, 55-928439, 23-31987

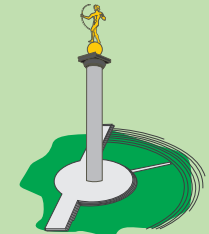
It is the only museum in Lithuania specializing in the history of the bicycle. Visitors to the museum will learn not only about the development of this means of transport, but will also get to know the cyclists who by their achievements made the name of Lithuania known in the world.



- 2 **SUNDIAL SQUARE**

Intersection of St. Šalkauskio St. and Ežero St., 55-930835, 23-325184

The main idea of the square is meaning-making of three most important symbols of Šiauliai city: the Sun, remembering the battle of the Sun, which took place in the land of Šiauliai in 1236, the archer associated with the origin of the city's name, and relentlessly passing time.



- 3 **SCULPTURE THE IRON FOX**

Coast of Lake Talkša, 55-931632, 23-328253

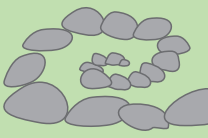
It is recorded in Lithuania's Book of Records that it is the largest animal sculpture: its weight is nearly 7 tons, length is about 15 meters, height is 6,6 meters, and width is 4,15 meters. This is the artwork of Vilius Pūronas, a designer from Šiauliai, to commemorate the millennium of the first mention of the name of Lithuania.



- 4 **ENERGY LABYRINTH**

Coast of Lake Talkša, 55-931706, 23-327964

In 2012, a group of proactive Šiauliai residents made a small energy labyrinth from grass on the coast of Lake Talkša. In 2013, the opening of a beautiful, impressive, seven-circuit labyrinth of field stones took place.



- 5 **ŽUVININKAI HILLFORT (SALDUVĖS HILL)**

55-929611, 23-359077

The hillfort together with the historical settlement in Žuvininkai village is included in the Register of Cultural Property of Lithuania. The castle that stood here was the main defence centre of northern Lithuanian lands. The hillfort offers a great panoramic view of the city.

- 6 **CATS MUSEUM**

Žuvininkų St. 18, 55-927139, 23-336934

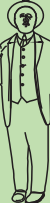
Three halls of the museum are full of cats, cats, cats... They have come not only from the most different corners of Lithuania but also from many countries of the world: the United Kingdom, Australia, France, Russia, Taiwan, Switzerland, Portugal, and other. The museum is also neighboured by a Wildlife Garden.



- 7 **MONUMENT OF CHAIMAS FRENKELIS**

Vilniaus St., 55-924834, 23-329777

The sculpture of Chaimas Frenkelis, one of the most famous industrialists of Šiauliai, was built on the pedestal marked by red soles. Red traces on the pedestal symbolize famous red waterproof soles produced at the Chaimas Frenkelis' factory.



- 8 **CHAIMAS FRENKELIS' VILLA-MUSEUM**

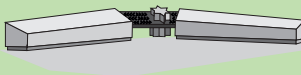
Vilniaus St. 74, 55-925694, 23-32772

It is a unique, one of the few buildings of modernist architecture (Secession, Art Nouveau) of the early 20th century in Lithuania. The expositions of the villa present the culture of the manors of the Lithuanian province and of Šiauliai city in the interwar period as well as Jewish heritage. In 2018, on the occasion of the centenary of the restoration of Lithuanian statehood, a rosary of a thousand roses was established in a modern style park.

- 9 **SQUARE OF THE RIGHTEOUS AMONG THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD**

Intersection of Ežero St. and Vilniaus St., 55-925739, 23-325416

In 2021, commemorating the 80th anniversary of the beginning of the Holocaust, the Square of the Righteous Among the Nations was established. *Connection* – a project created by Šiauliai designer Adas Toleikis – consists of a monument to the righteous of the city and region of Šiauliai and artistic accents marking the former gates to the Jewish ghetto.



- 10 **FOUNTAIN THREE BIRDS** (the end of the route)

Vilniaus St. (Šiauliai Boulevard), 55-928277, 23-320651

The current fountain, like the old one, is decorated by the sculpture *Three Birds* created by the artist Kazys Kasperavičius in 1981. The renovated fountain has been transformed into a modern, synchronized light and music fountain. Today it is very popular among families with children.



RESORT IN THE CITY >>

Distance: ~15 km  
Road surface: asphalt, gravel road, unpaved road  
Difficulty: intermediate

Just 12 kilometres from the city centre – and you are already in the resort. A pleasant ride, at the end of which you can swim in Lake Rėkva or enjoy a cosy dinner in the restaurant. Or maybe a search for discoveries in the city's old part?

Proposed direction: Vilniaus St. – Varpo St. – Vytauto St. – Tilžės St. – Pramonės St. – Bačiūnų St. – Poilsio St. – Pirties St. – Energetikų St.

Places of interest:

- 1 **ŠIAULIAI TOURISM INFORMATION CENTRE** (the beginning of the route)

Vilniaus St. 213, 55-93242, 23-313123

Here you can get basic tourist information about Šiauliai city and region, rent a bike, buy souvenirs, visit the centre "Balts' Road".

- 2 **WATER SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT BASE**

Bačiūnų St. 58F, 55-868502, 23-335494

If you are a kitesurfing enthusiast, you are probably well aware of Svencelė, the paradise of this sport. In Northern Lithuania, you can find such paradise in Rėkva. Professionals of this sports branch say that Lake Rėkva in Šiauliai is simply created for kite sport.

- 3 **MONUMENT TO OLEGAS TRUCHANAS**

Intersection of Bačiūnų St. and Poilsio St., 55-859391, 23-337345

It is a monument to the traveller, nature explorer and geographer. He captured all the beauty of Tasmania in photos and slides. O. Truchanas was born in Šiauliai. In 1948, he left Lithuania and settled in Hobart, the capital of Tasmania.

- 4 **CHURCH OF ST JOSEPH THE WORKER**

Poilsio St. 1A, 55-858909, 23-333412

During the period of the existence of the manor (7 – 20th c.), this building housed a smithy. In 1935, the building was reconstructed transforming it into a chapel. In Soviet times, the warehouse of the city's municipal economy operated here.



- 5 **RĖKYVA PROGYMNASIUM ("GREEN" CLASSROOM)**

Poilsio St. 1, 55-858956, 23-33127

The school has a "green" classroom, where in warm weather classes are held in the shade of a 250-year-old oak tree. Under the tree, everything is done as in a regular classroom: there are 15 desks and a writing board.

- 6 **ŽALGIRIS YACHT CLUB**

Poilsio St. 14, 55-859721, 23-330188

The captains of the yacht club operating on the coast of the lake will introduce you to the secrets of the dark waters of the lake. With prior agreement, you can sail on one of the yachts. Due to the vegetation surrounding the pier, it somewhat resembles views of Southeast Asia. This is a great place for a photo session.

- 7 **RESTAURANT-HOTEL ŽVEJŲ UŽEIGA**

Poilsio St. 16, 55-858255, 23-328617

Only a few buildings that had belonged to the Karpiai manor (7th – 20th c.) survived to this day. One of them houses a restaurant and a hotel. There are art objects on the territory of the restaurant, an illuminated fountain in the lake, visitors are also offered to sail a catamaran.

- 8 **RĖKYVA BRIDGE**

55-857667, 23-327467

Even 80 meters long pontoon wooden bridge with an observation deck is a great place to watch the sunset. You will always meet a fisherman there, who you can ask if he has already caught a goldfish.

- 9 **RĖKYVA BEACH**

55-857526, 23-327326

The beach is very popular in the summer. If you've been indulging yourself out in the sun all day, don't miss the opportunity to thank the sun for warm baths and see it off, having made yourself comfortable on the sand.

- 10 **SCULPTURE ENSEMBLE RĖKYVA NOBLEMAN KARPIS**

55-853271, 23-329833

According to the author and designer Vilius Pūronas, the metal sculptures in the centre of Rėkva depict the legendary nobleman Karpis who was bewitched by his witch wife and lived in Lake Rėkva for 300 years. The sculpture symbolizes him turning from a fish into a man.



- 11 **HOME OF INDEPENDENT LIVING**

Energetikų St. 20A, 55-854627, 23-324206

Eye-catching chimneys mark a former thermal power plant, which used to be cooled by lake water and fired with the excavations from the local peatbog. Its construction began in 1939, and it heated the houses of the whole city for decades. Today, this is the Home of Independent Living.

- 12 **MONUMENT TO THE FALLEN MILITARY PILOT, CHIEF ANTANAS KAIRAITIS**

55-85146, 23-32090

On June 13, 1930, chief A. Kairaitis died during flight training, haven fallen into Lake Rėkva. His wooden plane rose to the surface after the accident, the engine is still at the bottom of Lake Rėkva. The memorial stone can be reached by cycling on a country road – evaluate your possibilities.

- 13 **RĖKYVA WATER CLUB**

Bačiūnų St. 86, 55-855213, 23-32266

The landscape of the pier as it takes you to the Little Italy: a quayside, vegetation, rhythmic floating of yachts, shouts of captains, and graceful sails. If you are not tempted by sailing a yacht, wait for the sunset: they are the most romantic here.

- 14 **MAUSOLEUM OF THE KARPIAI** (the end of the route)

55-855968, 23-324317

After passing Rėkva beach, approximately 350 m from the bridge, you will find the Mausoleum of the Karpiai (19th century), which is also called the Grabaučius Hill. This is probably the only family grave of this type in Northern Lithuania.