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CYCLING TOURISM AND CULTURAL ROUTES WORKSHOP

"DRAVA CYCLE ROUTE IN CROATIA"

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EUROVELO ROUTES IN CROATIA

- 4 EuroVelo routes in Croatia total around 1600 km
- EuroVelo13 Iron Curtain Trail

or Drava route (cca 270 km)

- EuroVelo 6 Danube route (150 km)
- EuroVelo 8 Mediterranean route (1116 km)
- EuroVelo 9 Baltic Adriatic route (cca 100 km)





Similarity and proximity of the Drava and EV13 route in Croatia

- The Drava river cycle route (710 km)
- From Italy to Maribor, Slovenia (425 km)
- Extension from Maribor through Croatia (around 285 km)
- Connects 5 counties from northwest to northeast Croatia and the main cities like Varaždin, Koprivnica, Virovitica, Beli Manastir, Osijek and 2 river confluences (Mura to Drava & Drava to Danube)
- EuroVelo13 Iron Curtain Trail in Croatia follows mainly the Drava river cycle route with few detours to particular attractions (military watchtowers, bunkers, borderline barracks, WW II monuments, etc.)

Through Croatia from Hungary to

Serbia it is some **225 km long.**





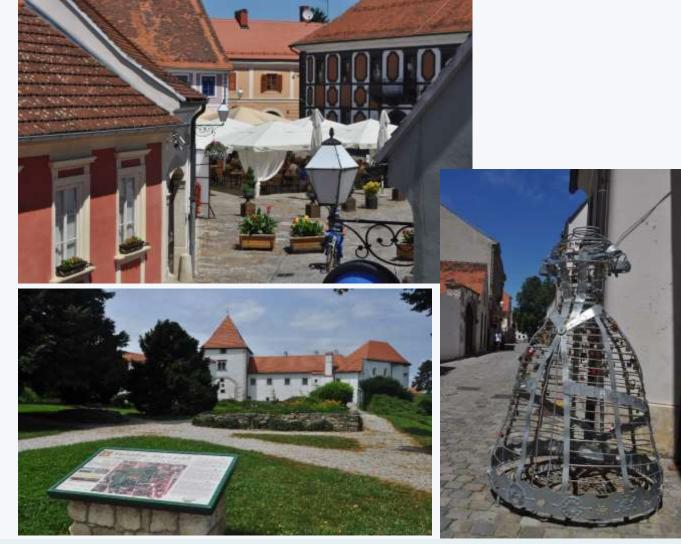
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VARAŽDIN COUNTY

Varaždin - a baroque city, castle, churches and monasteries, museums, accommodation, catering, events, city that loves bicycles, directly on the Drava river.











MEÐIMURJE COUNTY

Donji Kraljevec –

Center dr. Rudolf Steiner

& birth house (1861-1925.)











Mura estuary at Drava river, Legrad

Most of the river mouth is protected as **Greater Pažut Zoological Reserve.** Due to its exceptional natural values the Mura estuary at Drava is called *the Croatian Amazon.*





www.amazon-of-europe.com/en/bike-trail/



Mura and Drava international/crossborder cycle routes, www.mura-drava-bike.com



KOPRIVNICA-KRIŽEVCI COUNTY

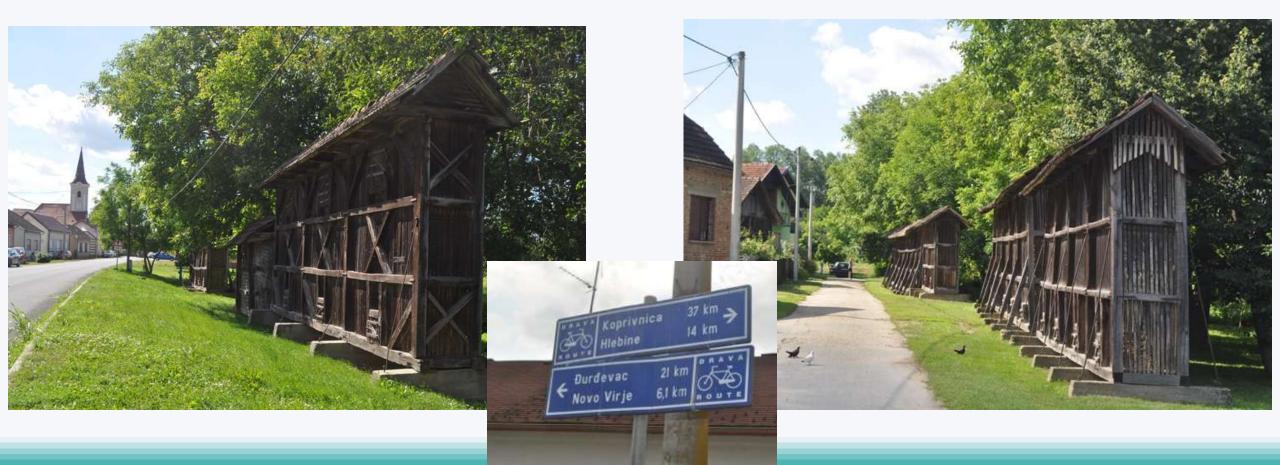
Koprivnica - the most cycling town of the continental Croatia, cycling tradition since the end of 19th ct.

Open-air Bicycle Museum "From Leonardo da Vinci to the present"





Torčec – the village as a whole is an open-air museum of traditional, wooden corn storage barns





Naive Art in Hlebine, Gola and Molve



The Croatian Museum of Naive Art, www.hmnu.hr/en & The Hlebine Gallery of Naive Art



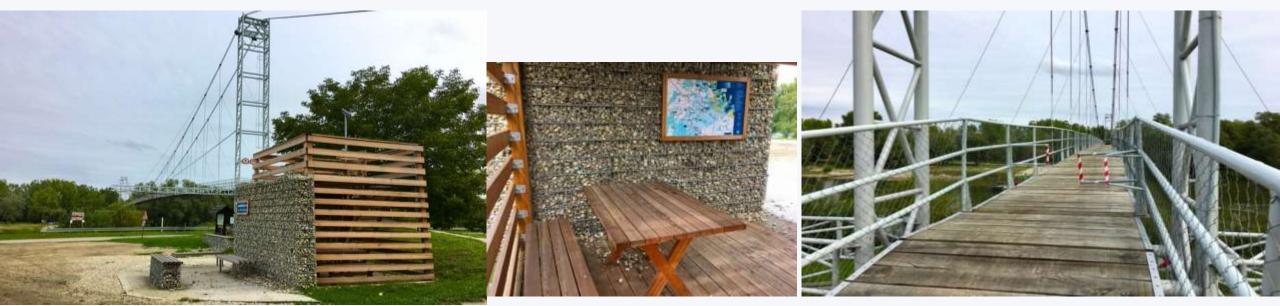
Gorgeous sacral monuments (Molve church) and idyllic lakes and rural landscapes





VIROVITICA – PODRAVINA COUNTY

A suspension bridge and a ferry on the Drava river. Križnica natural protected area. The place where the river Drava meanders most on its entire course from its source to its mouth.





VIROVITICA – PODRAVINA COUNTY

Castles and manors of nobles Janković family Hotel/hostel and catering (Kapela Dvor and Noskovačka Dubrava) Biodiversity along river and it's banks







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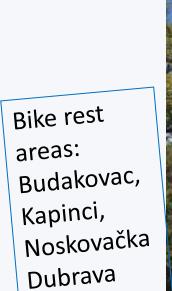




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VIROVITICA – PODRAVINA COUNTY

Pustara Višnjica in Višnjica (hotel, stable, eco farm) EDEN 2011,

Church of St. Tereze of Avila in Suhopolje and the castle of nobles Janković family

https://croatia.hr/en-GB/eden









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OSIJEK-BARANJA COUNTY

Donji Miholjac – Mailath castle with park











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OSIJEK-BARANJA COUNTY

Belišće with Gutmann castle and Valpovo with Prandau – Normann castle, both towns on Drava river









Wineyards,

remote farms (pustara Zlatna greda), Panonnia bike trail of peace Osijek to Sombor (some 85 km), Kopački rit nature park Baranja –

where EV13 meets EV6







- Church of St. Peter and Paul in Topolje(1722.),
- Karanac and Kopačevo ethno villages,
- Zmajevac wine cellars (gators),
- Monument in Batina WW II battle on the Danube river,
- Bike-friendly camps in Suza and Kopačevo, Private accommodation in Bilje, Popovac, Kneževi Vinogradi and Osijek











- **Osijek -** bicycle capital of Croatia, the baroque beauty on Drava river, river cruisers,
- baroque fortress, museum & galleries, parks and a popular river ferry (*kompa*) accommodation and catering facilities









Drava estuary to the Danube river in the village of Aljmaš

Erdut winyards and fortress,

the sanctuary of Our Lady of Refuge

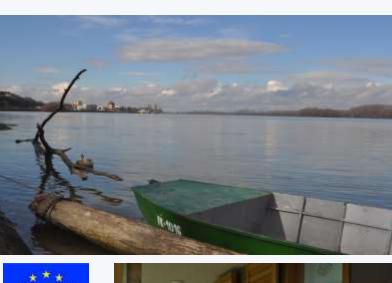




VUKOVAR-SRIJEM COUNTY

- Vukovar the heroic city The gorgeous city on mighty Danube The largest river port in Croatia River cruisers,
- Eltz family castle,
- Vučedol culture museum,
- accommodation & catering facilities **Ilok** – with Odescalchi Castle
- overlooking the town











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