



# Baltic Country Holidays

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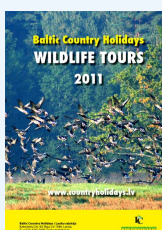
## Our Products

Our product manuals can be downloaded.



### Active Holiday

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### Wildlife Holidays

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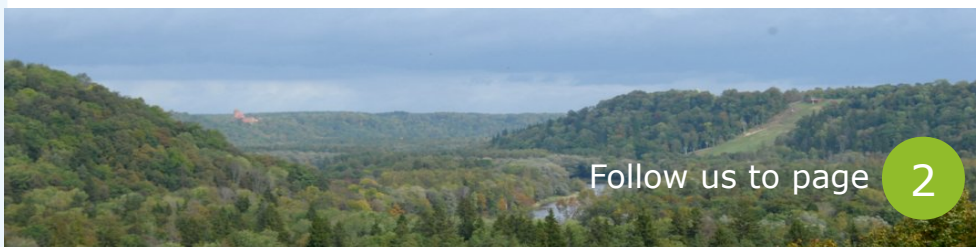
However these are sample itineraries. We tailor-made most tours for our partners using our extensive local knowledge and ongoing researches.

## SPECIAL OFFER – 10% discount for Soft Adventures at Gauja National Park

We are offering **to travel companies 10% off** its original price and option to put your own mark up. The tour is based in the picturesque Gauja National Park with its main value – the river Gauja ancient valley. The tour will allow to enjoy cycling through forests filled with birds songs, visit several castles, stop at charming provincial towns and take old fashioned ferry across the river. Walks at Ligatne Nature Trails give insight into local wildlife - brown bears, moose, wild boar and others. Canoeing the river Gauja allows different perspective to the river bank with wonderful views to the sandy outcrops.

### **Full itinerary:**

[http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/cycling\\_gauja\\_en.html](http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/cycling_gauja_en.html)



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## Selected Accommodation

This is a hot summer in Latvia with temperatures rising up to + 35C some days. For most people the only wish is to be on holidays by the water. Therefore here is a selection of accommodation by the sea or lake. For booking contact us: [lauku@celotajs.lv](mailto:lauku@celotajs.lv), Ph. + (371) 67617600



### Holidays in solitude - Jūras māja ([on the map](#))

Tastefully done holidays village by the sea with guest house and separate cottages. Ideally suited for families as well as for sport and corporate events.

### Cosy Guesthouse - Villa Elizabete ([on the map](#))

Family friendly guesthouse with good restaurant, outdoor pool located at the fishing village Engure. Two minutes walk to the beach.



### Holiday village – Dzintarkrasts ([on the map](#))

Tastefully done holidays village by the sea with guest house and separate cottages. Ideally suited for families as well as for sport and corporate events.

### Family cottage – Ezerklabi ([on the map](#))

Environmentally friendly cosy family cottage by the lake. Located not far from picturesque medieval town Cēsis.



### Design cottage – Ezerkrasti ([on the map](#))

Excellent holiday house by the lake with cosy designer interior, steam sauna and outdoor facilities. Suitable for larger family or three couples.

### Fishing cottage – Ezerzeme ([on the map](#))

Environmentally friendly log cabin at the Latvian lake district – Latgale. Good place for fishing.

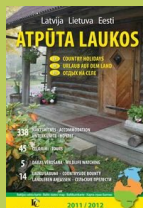
## New Publications

### Nature Holidays in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania



It is a map containing more than 100 notable nature territories and sites. The map is completed with 383 accommodation options. Information included is based on our research and inspection trips. Nature Holidays map is intended to give you an idea about the nature sites in the three Baltic States as well as help to plan your trips. The map is available free of charge.

### Accommodation catalogue Countryside Holidays 2011/2012



The catalogue features 338 vacation sites in Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia: B&B, self-catering cottages and apartments, guesthouses, hotel, castles, manor houses and camp-sites with color photos, full descriptions and contact information. In catalogue is included section with 14 open farms (animal breeding, crop, food production, etc.), craftsmen and other, offering guests to observe their production processes, to try one's hand at crafts, to taste and buy fresh local produce. Here are listed also different active and wildlife tour ideas of how to spend your time at the countryside. If this would help your work, we'll be happy to post you a copy or two.

**You can look it up also online.**

## New Tours

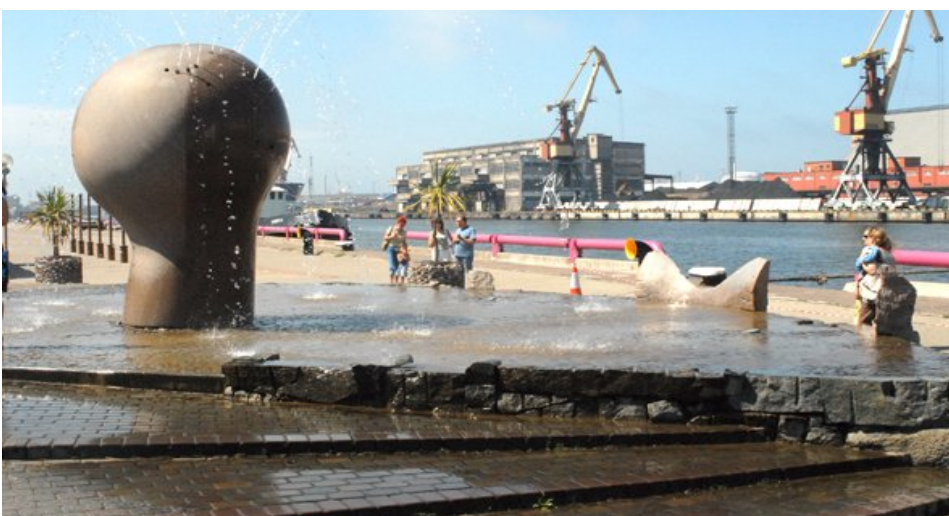


### Cycling tour -Visit Castles and Baronial Estates

Its ideally balanced tour – combining beautiful nature with historic sites like castles, manors, historic towns and hillocks. Accommodation is arranged in the manors with special atmosphere and relaxing surrounding as well as excellent restaurants. The manors often include spa facilities where to relax after active day.

#### Full itinerary here:

[http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/cycling\\_castles\\_en.html](http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/cycling_castles_en.html)



### Centre-based Family Tour at Ventspils

Ventspils is brilliant place where to relax with your small children. The grandparents would love to go together with their little grandchildren to this holiday. Well equipped white sand beach, Kids Town, ride on a little steam train, aqua parks, several parks with attractions or playgrounds, walking trails and medieval castle are only few ideas for visits. It is easy to get around, distances are not too long and there is plenty to do in sunny as well as rainy days. Day trips can include Ventspils Radio Astronomy Centre - former Soviet spy station, Slitere National Park and charming Kuldīga town.

#### Full itinerary here:

[http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/car\\_Ventspils\\_family\\_en.html](http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/car_Ventspils_family_en.html)

## References

DANIEL COLIN, 34,  
PHOTOGRAPHER, SWEDEN

"Nature in Slitere surprised me with its diverse. Bogs, beaches, villages, forests, fields... Within the National Park is enough Nature to fill a whole country. I will never forget that morning, when our guide took us to that of his secret places on the bog, where we watched dozens of singing, dancing and fighting black grouse. A magic morning in the wild, a perfect setting. A true adventure."

JOHN AND JACKIE COLLIERS,  
UNITED KINGDOM

"Plenty to do in Ventspils with our grandchildren; lovely extensive beach, excellent family parks & interesting castle and port with boat trips, easy to get around. Very clean and maintained town!"

## Walking along the Baltic Coast, for groups



The route passes along the Baltic Sea coast with different landscapes and varied biotops - white sandy beaches, coastal meadows, dunes with pine forests and steep banks. Many beaches are wild and completely deserted. The route leads through ethnographic fishermen villages and two important port towns - Liepaja and Ventspils. On the way back it goes through pretty provincial town Kuldiga. The tour includes also the two most interesting national parks - Slitere and Kemeris.

The itinerary here:

[http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/hiking\\_group\\_baltic\\_sea.en.html](http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/hiking_group_baltic_sea.en.html)

## Wildlife tours

We have developed several tours for birdwatchers, botanists as well as wildlife lovers. Several elements from these tours can be included also into ordinary active holiday to brighten it up with adventures and local knowledge. For example, mushrooming in the forest with guide and learning how to cook mushrooms, walking through meadows with guide collecting herbal teas followed by making tea on the bone-fire, visit to beaver lodge and tracing animal footprints etc.

## Other News



### We have Facebook profile

There we publish information, photos, videos about our research trips and our events, share our thoughts about various tourism sites, suggest different routes, workshops, activities and relevant events as well as comment on what's happening in nature. Following us on Facebook you'll get in-depth information about possibilities for active and nature holidays in the Baltic States. We particularly enjoy comments and discussions on the subjects.

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## About Baltic Country Holidays

Baltic Country Holidays is a small incoming operator based in Latvia and established in 1993. We specialize in outdoor activities and wildlife tours providing a personal touch and detailed local expertise.

### Our services:

- Creation of personalised packages for groups and individuals
- Reservation of accommodation and related services: hotels, guest houses, manors, cottages as well as farms.
- Booking of specialist guides and tour leaders
- Our publications, maps and route descriptions
- Car, bus, bike and boat hire

### We'll be pleased to work with you!

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