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UKMERGĖ MANOR RING



In recent years, tourists have become very attracted to visiting Lithuanian manors. Some of these manors are dilapidated, while others have been brought back to life, and some even offer interesting events. The Ukmergė district is particularly rich in manors. There are currently eight manors open to tourists in this district: Užugiris, Vaitkuškis, Taujėnai, Krikštėnai, Sližiai, Leonpolis and Šventupė manors, as well as Siesikai Castle.

The manors are located in a circle on the map, so it was decided to connect them through the route of Ukmergė Manor Ring.

SYMBOLS THAT WILL HELP YOU...

- Animals
- Park/garden
- Catering
- Catering (by booking in advance)
- Body of water
- Entertainment for children
- Swimming area
- Shop/souvenirs
- Spring water
- Farm

Each manor has its own history, including unique legends that are definitely worth hearing.

8
manors are
open to tourists.

1. Manor of the President Antanas Smetona
2. Siesikai Castle
3. Leonpolis Manor
4. Taujėnai Manor
5. Krikštėnai Manor
6. Vaitkuškis Manor
7. Šventupė Manor
8. Sližiai Manor

The length of
the route is about
140 km.



Duration of the tour – 60 minutes

Manor of the President Antanas Smetona

The Manor of the President Antanas Smetona belongs to the Museum Complex of Užugiris Region. It consists of the foundations of A. Smetona birthplace, a school built in 1935 under the care of the president, an old crafts center, and a manor house with land.

The Manor of the President A. Smetona is located on the picturesque southern shore of Lake Lėnas. In 1934, a plot of land was presented to the President A. Smetona in his hometown celebration of the President's 60th birthday. Once the residential house was completed in 1937, A. Smetona and his family spent their first summer on their farm. Užugiris Museum is located in the village of Užulėnis. One of Lithuania's most modern primary schools was built here in 1935 under the guidance of Lithuanian President, Antanas Smetona. An old crafts center was established next to the museum – here, visitors participate in ethnographic education, and become acquainted with the region's history, traditions, customs and culinary heritage.



Address: Dvaro g. 3, Užulėnis Village, Taujėnai Eldership, Ukmergė District Municipality
GPS: 55.42563, 24.56354
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Užugirio krašto muziejinis kompleksas



Duration of the tour – 60 minutes

Siesikai Castle

Castle of Siesikai Manor stands on the southern shore of Lake Siesikai, just a couple of kilometers from the town of the same name. Built at the beginning of the 16th century, it still remains as one of the earliest and most mystical fortified residential Renaissance-era buildings in Lithuania.

In 1992 the Homestead of Siesikai Manor has been declared an archaeological, historical, engineering, architectural and artistic cultural heritage object of national significance. The first floor of the manor has been completely restored, while restoration work has been continuing on the second floor since the summer of 2021.

During the Siesikai Castle tour, the history of the Manor itself and the families that ruled it – the Daumantai-Siesickiai and Daugėlos – is presented in depth, as well as the insights of archaeologists and art historians on the topics of the manor's decoration. During the visit it is worth taking a walk around the entire territory. There is a lake, a pond and three more buildings – a former school, a brewery and a poultry house.

Address: Daugaliai Village 1, Siesikai Eldership, Ukmergė District Municipality
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Siesikų pilis



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Leonpolis Manor

The Leonpolis Manor homestead, previously known as Deltuva, is located on the banks of the Šventoji River. It is said that Vikings and Curonians sailed and traded on this river in the 8th–11th centuries. In 1435, it would have been possible to observe the Battle of Pabaiskas from Leonpolis, as the battle took place on the other side of the Šventoji River and subsequently changed the history of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania.

The name Leonpolis itself only came into use from the first half of the 18th century. This property, which was inherited through the Kleckiai family line, belonged at that time to Duke Mykolas Antanas Radvila. It passed into the ownership of Mykolas Antanas as the dowry of his wife Marijona Daumantaitė Siesickytė. During her marriage, Marijona Radvilienė built a small hunting lodge in the forest on the banks of the Šventoji River, and she dedicated the lodge to her son, Duke Leonas Mykolas. This is the most likely origin for the naming of the "City of Leonas".



Duration of the tour – 30 minutes

In 2015, the Leonpolis Manor Ensemble was acquired by Ekomarket PJSC, which seeks to research and preserve the historical memory of the Leonpolis Manor and develop farming traditions. After visiting the Leonpolis Manor, take a walk through Linden Park, and stop by the Ekomarket store to buy some local vegetables.

Address: Sodo g. 12, Leonpolis Village, Deltuva Eldership, Ukmergė District Municipality
GPS: 55.21567, 24.71652
☎ +370 686 88822
📍 Leonpolio dvaras



Taujėnai Manor

Taujėnai Manor, which tells its own story and is undoubtedly one of the most impressive revived manors, dates back to the end of the 16th century. Once upon a time, the Radvilos ruled here - at the end of the 18th century, Taujėnai was ruled by Count Benediktas Marikonis, who married M. Radvilaitė in 1785 and received the manor as his wife's dowry. In 1802, he built a classicist-style palace designed by the Italian architect Piero de Rosso.



Duration of the tour – 40 minutes

The new-style building is famous for being recognized as the longest Lithuanian manor building (150 m long). The Taujėnai Manor was brought to new life by private owners who renovated the palace and park and restored the barn. The wooden three-story barn is more than 200 years old. Like the park, the Taujėnai Manor is a state-protected cultural heritage site.

At the Taujėnai Manor, you can enjoy a tour of the manor and a walk in the impressive park, where you will meet the inhabitants of the menagerie and explore the stone park.

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GPS: 55.39782, 24.75971
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📍 Taujėnų dvaras
🌐 www.taujenudivaras.lt



Krikštėnai Manor

From the 18th century, Krikštėnai Manor was known as the property of Duke Ksaveras Bogušas. Not only have the owners changed, but the old residents of Krikštėnai probably still remember the owners of the former manor with the French last name Bondi. A two-story brick palace in the classicist style was built in the middle of the 19th century.

After the war, the manor palace belonged to the Krikštėnai Soviet farm, and for a long time it housed the farm office and the village library. Later, the palace was abandoned. In 1992, the Palace of Krikštėnai Manor Homestead was declared an architectural cultural heritage object of local significance.

The Manor is located in a quiet and secluded place, distinguished by a wonderful combination of space and picturesque landscape. The Krikštėnai manor complex



Duration of the tour – independent visit

is a great venue for a walk in the park, hosting a celebration in one of the elegant banquet halls, or spending a night.

Address: Beržų g. 3, Krikštėnai Village, Pivonija Eldership, Ukmergė District Municipality
GPS: 55.11970, 24.85871
☎ +370 604 45255
📍 Krikštėnų dvaras
🌐 www.dvaraskrikstenuose.lt



Vaitkuškis Manor

The formation of Vaitkuškis Manor began in the 16th century. Vaitkuškis originally belonged to representatives of various families, then in 1794, it became the home of the Kosakovskiai family. The palace had a rich art gallery of Italian, Polish, along with the owner's own paintings, and a library of 12 thousand volumes.

The residence was in the neo-Gothic style, and its design was modelled on the Miramare Palace in Northern Italy. After the estate was taken over by S. F. Kosakovskis' son S. K. Kosakovskis, a photo studio and a photography laboratory were established.



Duration of the tour – 30 minutes

Today, when you visit the Manor, you have the opportunity to view an exhibition of old photographs, refresh yourself with water extracted from a 147-meter well located on the Manor territory, and taste Vaitkuškis Manor donuts, which are made from an ancient 19th-century recipe of the Kosakovskiai family.

Vaitkuškis Manor also offers perfumes made according to old formulas - as if the wings of time would carry you back to the past...



Address: Parko g. 2, Vaitkuškis Village, Pabaiskas Eldership, Ukmergė District Municipality
GPS: 55.21002, 24.79888
☎ +370 699 38584
📍 Vaitkuškio dvaras

Šventupė Manor

One of the oldest wooden manors in the Ukmergė District was built on the banks of the Šventoji River and dates back to the 18th century. In 1882, it was sold at auction to Mykolas Komaras, the wealthy owner of many manors.

Today, several authentic original groups of buildings from the manor have survived: the farm-hand building sector by the pond, a fragment of the farmyard barn, the Manor palace, the office and the cellar in the park.



Duration of the tour – 60 minutes

Šventupė Manor of our region is renowned for its history and for the way the Šventupė community takes care of their manor and makes tourists feel welcome. Next door to the manor is the local spring "Šventerečius", which is believed to have magical properties. People carry spring water in various containers from the spring every day. You can arrange in advance to listen to the romance program of the ensemble "Šventerečius", taste the Komaras Manor egg dish, the Manor stew or the Manor potato pancakes.

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📍 Šventupės Kaimo Bendruomenė

Sližiai Manor

Sližiai Manor is a few kilometers from the town of Vepriai, in Kultuvėnai, on a hill, among ponds and surviving old trees of the park. Although the anatomy of the manor indicates construction of the 19th century, certain architectural details indicate that Sližiai Manor could have been rebuilt at that time. The main Manor house is wooden, standing on a high brick ornate plinth with cellars.

At the end of the 19th century, the owner of the Manor homestead was Belinskis, from



Duration of the tour – 30 minutes

whom, most likely, the Manor was purchased by landlords Rembowski (Rambauskai). The interwar Manor parcelling map shows a huge garden surrounding the Manor. Several old apple trees grow here and their fruits delight people to this day; they are "protected" by a row of century-old oaks and an alley of linden trees.

Today, a small Lithuanian beverage factory operates in Sližiai Manor. The beverages are made from the seeds, flowers and roots of plants growing in Lithuania (acorns, dandelion roots, carrots, linden blossoms, pine buds). If you are planning a visit, you can book educational and tasting workshops in advance.

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☎ +370 604 27991
📍 Sližių dvaras