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Cycling along the sea in Senj

# ACROSS LIKA BY BIKE Gacka Valley, Plitvice Lakes, Velebit, Podgorje and Novalja on the island of Pag

Numerous cycling trails have been marked in the Lika region, across the Velebit to Podgorje and up to Novalja on the island of Pag. Their number is growing bigger each year as well as the interest for cycling in this extraordinary region. This atlas was made to simplify the planning of your activities by choosing an attractive route from an individual area. Every area has information on renting a bike and, if needed, very skilful and trained cycling guides that can lead you around the area you wish to visit and offer all the information you may need on the spot. Such an individual approach is the best way to get to know the surrounding nature, culture, tradition and gastronomy of the region. We have not been able to draw in all the trails in such a small area but we hope that this choice will satisfy your curiosity and fulfill your expectations.

We wish you a pleasant ride Lika-Senj County Tourist Board



# Explore the area of Lika-Senj region

The easiest way to get to know the natural beauty and the excellent gastronomy offer of this region is by cycling. Most of the cycling routes go through rarely inhabited areas with little traffic where the food and beverage offer is original, traditional and ecological. That is one of the reasons for recreation lovers of the outdoor and good food to try something new and interesting.

There are trails for the more demanding adventurers, as for example the Velebit, and the mutual characteristc of all is that you will encounter the courtesy of hosts who will tell you where to best refresh and rest.

More detailed information on the entire region can be found in the brochure and map ,10 + 1 reasons for turning off the motorway and getting to know the region" which can be had at the infocentres in Lika and Novalja on the island of Pag.

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## **Brochure and map**











# 1. Plitvice Lakes



An active vacation in Plitvice Lakes includes visiting various natural sights of which Plitvice National Park is one of the most beautiful and certainly unique in the Lika area. While cycling, discover the hidden parts of Plitvice Lakes. Everyone can find a trail for himself.

The route around Mrsinj (1) is located near the spring of the Matica River and it goes through the fields and meadows which surrond Mrsinj. The landscape that you will pass by is a typical one for Lika, with woods and broad pastures all around. Routes on the slopes of Lička Plješevica (2 and 3) are at some places over 1300 m above the sea level and there are many vantage points offering a superb view of the surrounding landscape. The cycling path in the Korenica field (4) follows the small river Matica all the way to the place where it goes under the ground and then it goes up towards a lookout point offering a magnificent view of the Korenica field on one side and the Bjelopolje field on the other side, as well as views of the mountains Mrsinj and Plješivica. The cycling path "The Trail" (5) goes down the famous singletrack part of the traditional mountain bike race AdriaBike Marathon, which takes place every year around the Plitvice Lakes.



The view from Lička Plješivica



# **1. AROUND MRSINJ TRAIL**

Start/Target: KORENICA







# 2. PLJEŠEVICA FLANKS TRAIL

Start/Target: KORENICA

Length:	36,5 km
Altitude:	667 m
Base:	asfalt, makadam



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# 3. NAKED PLJEŠIVICA TRAIL

Start/Target: KORENICA

Length:	46,5 km
Altitude:	1350 m
Base:	asfalt, makadam





# **4. ALONG FIELDS TRAIL**

Start/Target: KORENICA





# 5. "THE TRAIL" TRAIL

Start/Target: KORENICA

Mileo

650

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Length:	20,9 km
Altitude:	592 m
Base:	asfalt, makadam





For all trails you can take over position (KML) on connection: www.plitvice-active.com



Points of Interest

Plitvice Lakes National Park, biodynamic phenomenon of karst waters Black and White rivers

## TOURIST INFORMATION

Plitvice Lakes National Park www.np-plitvicka-jezera.hr

www.discoverplitvice.com www.plitvice-active.com

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The cycling trails in the Otočac and Gacka River region are 30 to 50 kilometres long and each one has its own theme and attraction that can be seen and visited along the trail.

The shortest trail is Three Lakes (1) that starts from Vivoški Bridge. It is of average challenge with the highest point being 590 metres above sea level. The trail is partly paved and partly macadam. Dabar Breviary Trail (2) is very demanding. It is more than 37 kilometres in length and climbs up to 7,985 metres above sea level. The trail is paved for about thirty kilometres and the rest is macadam. It acquired its name from the breviary that appeared in Dabar locality, not far from Otočac. The ride is along the least known road direction towards Plitvice Lakes whereby one can see some smaller springs and mills at the entrance to the village dominated by the church of St. Michael dating from 1730. Osman-aga Field is on the way and it acquired its name from the seriously wounded Turkish general Osman-aga. According to legend, after the battle, the Turkish general hid after the battle in a hollow trunk in the field and died there. Ursa Major (3) cycling trail is dedicated to the European brown bear and leads in the direction of Kuterevo, the Velebit shelter for young bears. Barkanov Trail (4) is long but of average difficulty for cycling and with many points of interest, cultural monuments and natural attractions of Gacka, one of our most beautiful rivers. Jurjeve Rocks (5) are located between Otočac and Vrhovine, and that pass, or gorge, is actually located above Doljani and can be seen from the road that leads to Vrhovine. It is known for the greatest Croatian victory over the Turks back in 1663. The longest cycling trail is Hajdučke drage (6), a total of 52 kilometres that starts from the town park in Otočac. It is a demanding trail that climbs to 871 m above sea level. The ride is on paved road with a remaining third of the trail on macadam. The so-called Kopija is on that trail, and it is a three-border point of the Velebit localities of Kuterevo, Krasno and Kosinj and the Shelter for Young Bears in Kuterevo.





# **1. THREE LAKES TRAIL**

Start/Target: VIVOŠKI BRIDGE

Length:	30.8 km
Altitude:	404 m/nm
Base:	asphalt (19 km), macadam (11.8 km)





# 2. DABAR BREVIARY TRAIL

Start/Target: DABAR–ŠKARE–PODUM CROSSROADS

Length:	37.3 km
Altitude:	795 m/nm
Base:	asphalt (29.2 km), macadam (8.1 km)





# **3. URSA MAJOR TRAIL**

Start/Target: VIVOŠKI BRIDGE/VIVOŠKI BRIDGE

Length:	34.7 km
Altitude:	657 m/nm
Base:	asphalt (34.7 km)





# 4. URSA MAJOR TRAIL

Start/Target: OTOČAC

Length:	42.6 km
Altitude:	500 m/nm
Base:	asphalt, macadam, field path





# **5. JURJEVE ROCKS TRAIL**

Start/Target: VIVOŠKI BRIDGE/VIVOŠKI BRIDGE

Length:	34.7 km
Altitude:	657 m/nm
Base:	asphalt (34.7 km)





# 6. HAJDUČKE DRAGE TRAIL

Start/Target: OTOČAC – TOWN PARK

Length:	52 km
Altitude:	870 m
Base:	asphalt, macadam





# Points of Interest

### Maps



Stone bridge, source of Jaruga brook, church of St. Michael, Osmanaga Field, Milankovac Belvedere

Carlo's Canal, Lake Gornje Švičko, church of St. John the Baptist, Velebit Shelter for Young Bears– Kuterevo

### TOURIST INFORMATION

Otočac Town Tourist Board, 17 Kralja Zvonimira www.tz-otocac.hr Fishing on the Gacka River www.gacka.hr



For all trails you can take over position (KML) on connection: http://barkanbike.wordpress.com/.

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3. Gospić

Eight cycling trails, 397 km in length, under the common name "The Trails of the Velebit and Croatian Giants" connect the surrounding localities with Gospić and lead up to Štirovača, a wide valley at the foot of the Velebit.

The first two trails (1 i 2) from Gospić to Smiljan lead to the birthplace of the world known scientist, Nikola Tesla, where the Memorial Centre is located containing some of the works that marked the tecnological development of future generations. At the end of the trail, at about 26 km from Smiljan, Veliki Žitnik locality is reached and it is the birthplace of the Croatian politician and patriot dr. Ante Starčević.

Jezero Trail (3) leads to the locality Klanac without great effort, and only two kilometres further an imposing view opens to the Lika River Canyon and the artificial Kruščica Lake. The very demanding Štirovača Trail (4) is 100 km long and crosses numerous interesting points. One is Pazarište locality where a beer brewery is situated and nearby an Indian village. Štirovača follows, a valley with Kugina House (at a height of 1180m) in its proximity where one can spend the night and drink water from Težakovac source.

Brušane (5) and Rizvanuša (6) trails are more demanding ascents and both lead to the adrenalin park of Rizvanuša, which is a real paradise for adventurers of all ages. Velebit (7) Trail leads along the old Terezijana Road built in 1786 during Austro-Hungarian rule and then to the last village of Baške Oštarije on Velebit. The route Gospić – Jadovno (8) was designed to pass Jadovno village and the marvellous scenery that encircles it. In Jadovno there is an interesting chapel dedicated to Mary the Assistant in the very centre of the village and an inexhaustible source of drinking water is Stojanovo vrilo (spring).



LEGEND: asphalt road S start Start/target trail difficulty Points of interest macadam road T target crossroads

# **1. THE GIANTS I TRAIL**

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ

Length:	41 km
Altitude:	89 m
Base:	asphalt (30 km), macadam (11 km)





# **1. THE GIANTS II TRAIL**

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ

Length:	41 km
Altitude:	89 m
Base:	asphalt (30 km), macadam (11 km)





# 2. LAKE TRAIL

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ

Length:	35 km
Altitude:	37 m
Base:	asphalt (32 km), macadam (3 km)





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# 4. ŠTIROVAČA TRAIL

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ

Length:	104 km
Altitude:	694 m
Base:	asphalt (63 km), macadam (41 km)





# **5. BRUŠANE TRAIL**

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ

Length:	36 km
Altitude:	134 m
Base:	asphalt (24 km), macadam (12 km)





# 6. RIZVANUŠA TRAIL

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ

Length:	36 km
Altitude:	502 m
Base:	asphalt (28 km), macadam (25 km)





# 7. VELEBIT TRAIL

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ

Length:	58 km
Altitude:	625 m
Base:	asphalt (38 km), macadam (20 km)





# 8. JADOVNO TRAIL

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ

Length:	48 km
Altitude:	349 m
Base:	asphalt (21 km), macadam (27 km)





For all trails you can take over position (KML) on connection: http://www.tz-gospic.hr/biciklisticke\_staze.html

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### Points of Interest

### City of Gospić

Lika Museum and Kolakovac Park

### Smiljan

Nikola Tesla Memorial Centre

### Veliki Žitnik

dr. Ante Starčevića Memorial Home, Croatian politician, publicist and writer. (1823 – 1896)

### Rizvanuša

Adrenalin Park with many attractive and unique adventure activities.

Rizvan City, adventure-excursion centre not far from the city of Gospić in a small and typical Lika

village called Rizvanuša in Velebit Nature Park. www.adria-velebitica.hr/adrenalinskipark

### TOURIST INFORMATION

Gospić Town Tourist Board www.visitgospic.com

Lika Museum in Gospić www.muzejlike.hr

Nikola Tesla Memorial Centre, Smiljan www.mcnikolatesla.hr

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Brinje also has a bicycle-sharing system available from early spring to late autumn, so anyone who does not bring their own bike can use city bikes instead.

# **1. BRINJE-JEZERANE TRAIL**

Start/Target: BRINJE

Length:	43 km
Altitude:	528 m
Base:	asphalt







# 2. BRINJE-SINIČIĆ CAVE TRAIL

Start/Target: BRINJE

Length:	6,35 km
Altitude:	154 m
Base:	asphalt





Points of Interest

The Sinčić Cave, a protected speleological and archaeological site

**Sokolac fortress** (early 15<sup>th</sup> century) was built by Nikola Frankopan IV. The Chapel of the Holy Trinity is one of the most significant and best-preserved monuments of Gothic architecture in Croatia. **The stone bridge and sundial**, dating from 1801, was built by stonecutters from Brinje and the Croatian Littoral.

A collection of national treasures with over 1000

exhibits bears witness to the history of Brinje and its surroundings.

TOURIST INFORMATION Brinje County Tourist Board www.visitbrinje.hr 5.Lovinad



Cycling is the best way to visit the Lovinac region. A number of drawn cycling trails along with some trekking routes are ideal for an outdoor recreation vacation.

The Lovinac-Smokrić Trail (1) starts at the old mill and leads to Vraničko Field following the course of the Suvaja River. The trail further leads by Vrijace Well to the bridge and the cistern from the 18th century, a protected cultural heritage. Keeping on the trail and slowly cycling across the old bridge we reach Sedlo viewpoint. It is possible to turn towards Kizića Cave (with prior announcement to Lito Tourist Agency to ensure the guides and the lighting). The descent to Lovinac follows the course of the Savuja River and passes by two springs, Virine and Studenac. Cycling Trail (2) starts from Lovinac to St. Rocco on a drawn trail around Mount Cvituša and then to Lake St. Rocco with a well-arranged beach. Passing by the locality, the famous Spring of Wisdom is reached. It is a source of clean karst water for which this region is widely known. On the way to Balenove Plane, there are several viewpoints where one can relax and enjoy the panorama of the entire Lovinac region. On the way back to Lovinac there are several interesting places where one can stop and see Japunčići ethno house, Old Town Lovinac and the church of St. Rocco. The trail is marked completely with signs indicating significant locations and directions so one cannot get lost.



Zir near Lovinac

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# 1. LOVINAC – SMOKRIĆ TRAIL

Start/Target: LOVINAC

Length:	32 km
Altitude:	55 m
Base:	asphalt, macadam





# 2. SV. ROK – BALENOVA PLANA TRAIL

Start/Target: LOVINAC

Length:	29 km
Altitude:	80 m
Base:	asphalt, macadam





### Points of Interest

**Lovinac**, parish church of St. Michael the Archangel erected in 1704 and is among the most beautiful Romanesque churches in Croatia

**Vranik**, ruins of Zdunić-tower from the 18<sup>th</sup> century and the small church of St. Francis

Vranička Cave, archaeological site from the period when the old Japode tribe settled in this area more than 2,000 years ago

**Rocco's Cave** (visit with prior announcement through Lito Agency) Archaeological site of the Japode settlement on Mount Piplica

**Kizići**, in the proximity of Vrijace – an exceptionally interesting well in live rock

### Zir, rock and cave bearing the same name

Smokrić – Cistern made out of carved stone. Near the cistern there is an old 18th cent. stone bridge over Savuja River, and both have been inserted in the World Heritage Site





# 5. Udbina 50 50

The circular Mountain Cycling Trail (1) crosses the Međugorje Plateau and Sarajevo Valley, and during the ride offers a continuous change in scenery, from forests and groves to meadows. Besides the beauty of its scenery, the trail is diverse in the configuration of the terrain and therefore interesting for demanding cyclists. The trail is an interchange of descents and ascents (cross country) with macadam base up to the single track. Said briefly, this itinerary offers original experiences of pedalling along the real Lika wilderness. The second trail is unique in the height of its ascent to 1,550 m above sea level, one of the highest roads in Croatia. The base (only macadam) is technically simpler but the difficulty is in the quite big height difference.

Combining mountain cycling and mountaineering (30 min. walk) one can climb to the highest peak Plješevica – Ozeblin (1657 m), from which a grand view extends on the Lika panorama, Una Canyon, Velebit, Dinara up to the peaks of western Bosnia. After a continuous climb, a long descent follows leading through the spectacular Kozja draga deeply carved between the mountains, and finally the open area of Visučko Field to the starting point. This circular cycling trail is intended for advanced recreation lovers and athletes.

Note: There are no permanent springs on this track so sufficient water is to be taken along during the summer months. The trail is excellent for riding even during the summer heat for the forest and the sea altitude render pleasant even the hottest days. The trail is impassable in the winter and very often even in the spring for its great quantities of snow in the top parts.



Easy outdoor ride in the proximity of Udbina



# **1. MOUNTAIN CYCLING TRAIL 1**

Start/Target: FOREST HUT VISUĆ/PODKUK

Length:	19 km
Altitude:	222 m
Base:	asphalt (19 km), macadam (11.8 km)





# 2. MOUNTAIN CYCLING TRAIL 2

Start/Target: FOREST HUT VISUĆ/PODKUK

Length:	36 km + 3km (Ozeblin ascent and descent)
Altitude:	862 m
Base:	asphalt (19 km), macadam (11.8 km)





Points of Interest

### **Church of Croatian Martyrs**

It was built according to the medieval church of the Holy Cross in Nin, known as the smallest cathedral in the world, but enriched with historical shapes of Croatian architecture. The date of the feast of the Croatian martyrs is the last Saturday in August. **Gradina** is situated above the church of the Croatian Martyrs. It consists of a tower and defence complex dating from the 15<sup>th</sup> century. It stands at 840 m above seas level from which the entire Krbavsko Field can be seen.

**The way of the Cross** starts from the church of St Mark up to the church of the Croatian Martyrs, 2,100 metres in length, the last stop, the 14<sup>th</sup> one, being in front of the entrance to the shrine museum.

### Near Udbina are:

Plitvice Lakes National Park (45 km), North Velebit National Park (50 km) Una National Park (40 km) Velebit Nature Park (40 km)

### TOURIST INFORMATION

### **Udbina Municipality**

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# 7. Velebit Senj

The cycling trails from the town of Senj towards the Velebit lead along the western Velebit flanks overlooking the sea with views of Kvarner Bay and the islands. Trails (1) and (2) are very steep for the first 8 km, and later, passing onto macadam the climb is very demanding in places for which recreational finess is required. The trail (3) starts at 700 m above sea level and all three trails can be combined so as to make a circular tour and continue towards Oltari Trails (4) and (5). The trail from Oltari and through the forest up to Dulibe and Krasno locality is attractive for it covers all the points of interest of the mountain locality of Krasno with its 450 inhabitants dispersed in 13 hamlets perched at the edges of Krasnarsko Field in the proximity of North Velebit National Park.

Four circular cycling trails are marked in Krasno and the signs can be seen in segment numbers 4 a, b, c, and d. The trail from Oltari to Alan (5) initially traced on paved road until the entrance to the national park at Babić Sići, continues further on macadam to reach Zavižan and Mali Lom where it conncets onto a paved road (ŽC 5126). The trail continues in southern direction and after 3 km at Careva kuća Mounatin Lodge, it turns right onto macadam to continue across Lubenovac, up to Alan where there is a mountain lodge with accommodation. The trail from Alan Mountain Lodge extends to the east overlapping with Trail 4 for 2 km, and continues straight on towards Mrkvište where it joins the paved road and then descends in hairpin bends for 3 km to reach Štirovača Valley. Trail (6) is traced for pleasant cycling along one of the oldest preserved roads on the Velebit . It was built in 1860 and served for transport of wood from Štirovača to Jablanac. Upon arriving at your destination, a completely different picture of the Velebit is in store, the vast Stirovača Valley with black oak forests across which meander rapid brooks.





# 1. SENJ – OLTARI TRAIL

Start/Target: SENJ (TRBUŠNJAK)/OLTARI

Length:	19.4 km	ı
Altitude:	970 m	
Base:	asphalt (10.5 km), macadam (8.9 km	I)





# 2. SV. JURAJ – OLTARI TRAIL

Start/Target: SVETI JURAJ/OLTARI

Length:	17 km
Altitude:	1014 m
Base:	asphalt (10.5 km), macadam (6.5 km)





# 3. VRATNIK – OLTARI TRAIL

Start/Target: VRATNIK/OLTARI

Length:	14,8 km
Altitude:	343 m
Base:	asphalt (6.4 km), macadam (8.4 km)





# 4. OLTARI – KRASNO TRAIL

Start/Target: OLTARI/KRASNO







# 4(a,b). KRASNO TRAILS

Start/Target: KRASNO

TRAIL a / length:	14 km
TRAIL b / length:	12 km





# 4(c,d). KRASNO TRAILS

Start/Target: GOSPIĆ







# 5. OLTARI – ALAN TRAIL

Start/Target: OLTARI/KRASNO

Length:	44.5 km
Altitude:	853 m
Base:	asphalt (14.2 km), macadam (30.3 km)





# 6. ALAN – ŠTIROVAČA TRAIL

Start/Target: PD ALAN/ ŠTIROVAČA

Length:	11.9 km
Altitude:	300 m
Base:	asphalt (3.6 km), macadam (8.3 km)





Points of Interest

Senj, Fortress Nehaj from the 16<sup>th</sup> century Cathedral of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary dating from the 12<sup>th</sup>

Krasno, , church of the Mother of God from Krasno from the 17<sup>th</sup> century

The parish church of **St. Anthony** can be seen in the field and the newly opened **forestry museum** can be visted – the only one of its kind in Croatia.

«Krasnarski park» and Glavaši with planted autochthonous plants, arranged paths and benches.

**The Velebit**, the highest mountian chain in Croatia, Vaganski vrh peak, 1,757 m

North Velebit National Park, founded in 1999 Zavižan is at 1,676 m above sea level, with a meteorological station and mountain lodge and a nearby botanical garden.

**Premužić Trail** which starts from Zavižan across the Veliki Alan Saddle and back to Zavižan was built in 1933 according to the project made by Ante Premužić and thus bearing his name.

### TOURIST INFORMATION

Velebit Nature Park Public Institution www.pp-velebit.hr

www.np-sjeverni-velebit.hr www.visitsenj.com

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# \* 8. Novalja



Most of the cycling trails on the island of Pag have been arranged and their length now totals to 115 km. The Novalja area, with all its surrounding localities of Lun, Metajna, Stara Novalja and Gajac, disposes of six attractive and distinctively marked routes.

The cycling tourist routes on the island of Pag are suitable for all types of bikes, while the trails are intended for bikes with larger tires for the base is macadam or earth often with sharp stones. Single trails need to be crossed on foot carrying a bike on one's shoulder for cycling can be very demanding there. Each route is singular for its points of interest and most of the trails lead to the most attractive beach in the surroundings of Novalja.

Trail (1) connects Novalja with the locality of Lun to the northwestern end of the island of Pag and is unique for its olive trees that are more than 1,000 years old.

Caske Trail to Metajne Trail (2) is not attractive at first due to cycling on paved road but the traffic is poor and the facilities along the road are made up of an extraodinary catering offer. The third trail, Novalja – Stara Novalja (3) is not too demanding and full of facilities for every family. Most deserving for this is Planjka – Trinćel Beach in Stara Novalja, one of the loveliest sandy beaches in the area.

Trail (4) through Novalja Field is also suitable for family excursions. A slow ride along the 7 km network of trodden earthen paths and roads offers the delight of scenty greenery and aromatic plants. Route (5) starts from the locality of Kolan to the seashore and beach in the locality of Mandre. Kolan is well-known for its production of cheese, world known under the name of Pag cheese which can also be bought from some of the producers after having been tasted. Trail (6) connects the locality of Šimuni situated in a naturally protected cove with a marina and the most active campsite on this side of the Adriatic coast.

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Cycling along the sea in Novalja



# 1. NOVALJA - LUN

Start/Target: NOVALJA/LUN

Length:	18.1 km
Altitude:	96 m
Base:	asphalt (18 km)



2. NOVALJA - METAJNA

Start/Target: NOVALJA/METAJNA

Length:	13.2 km
Altitude:	72 m
Base:	asphalt (12 km), macadam (1.2 km)





# 3. NOVALJA-OLD NOVALJA, PORT

Start/Target: NOVALJA/OLD NOVALJA, PORT

Length:	5.3 km
Altitude:	41 m
Base:	asphalt (5.3 km)





# 4. NOVALJSKO FIELD

Start/Target: NOVALJSKO FIELD







# 5. KOLAN-MANDRE

Start/Target: KOLAN/MANDRE

Length:	4.3 km
Altitude:	114 m
Base:	asphalt (4.3 km)



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6. ŠIMUNI-KOLAN/MANDRE

Start/Target: ŠIMUNI-KOLAN/MANDRE

Length:	4.5 km
Altitude:	43 m
Base:	asphalt (2,6 km), macadam (1.9 km)





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### Points of Interest

### Maps

Antique water system dating from the 1<sup>st</sup> century (Talian's Hole) Town Museum Church of the Mother of God from Ružarije Stomorica archaeological collection Pag Triangle

In the proximity of Novalja: numerous beaches besides the town beach such as Caska, Planjka (Trinćel), and near Old Novalja, Babe, Straško, Kanjon, Braničevica and other beaches.

The Straško area has one of the most beautiful campsites on the Adriatic which, together with its entertainment and sports centre, can accommodate more than 8,000 guests.

The most famous beach **Zrće**, , is more than 1,000 m in length with numerous sports facilities on the sea. Zrće is the Croatian centre of club entertainment. The famous Aquarius, Papaya and Calypso clubs host the most famous DJ names of club electronic music.



### TOURIST INFORMATION

www.visitnovalja.hr www.zrcespringbreak.com www.kampstrasko.com



Bicycles in Novalja



# Cycling races

# PLITVICE LAKES

ADRIA BIKE MARATHON - two-days cycling festival.



Time of the race: midlle of July First day:

bike-festival exhibition of famous MTB brands, test ride of exhibited models **Second day:** start: Korenica **Marathon category:** three tracks in four categories: Easy route 36.5 km, Classic route 49 km, Epic route 69 km

More information: www.adriabike.hr

# **GACKA – ΟΤΟČAC**

MEMORIAL BARKAN CYCLING EVENT



Time and place of the race, and registration: end of July, main town park in Otočac, in front of the Otočac Radio building **Organizer:** Bk Barkan – Otočac Cycling Club

More information: bk.barkan@gmail.com barkanbike.wordpress.com

# GOSPIĆ

CYCLING RACE MARKING THE DAY OF THE TOWN OF GOSPIĆ

Traditional cycling race under the motto "We are all winners"

Time of event: middle of July Organizer: Gospić Sport Association

# THE VELEBIT MOUNTAIN

**CLIMB ON ZAVIŽAN** (from 0 to 1594 m above sea level)

Time of event: The end of July Organizer: North Velebit National Park Public Institution npsv@np-sjeverni-velebit.hr

More information: www.biciklijade.com

# VELEBIT MTB MARATHON – Following the paths of Winnetou



Time of event: The end of September Organizator: Multisport Adventure Sports Club velebit\_mtb@adventurerace.hr

Category: ULTRA: 85km/2500m+ ; CHALLENGER: 45km/1350m+ RECREATIONAL: 22km/400m+

More information: www.adventurerace.hr www.treking-liga.com

# BRINJE

### CYCLING RACE BRINJE BIKE

Time of event: The end of July Organizer: TZO Brinje, info@visitbrinje.hr



# NOVALJA, THE ISLAND OF PAG

PAG TOURISM AND CYCLING International race

Time of event: end of July Length of marathon: 43 km Organizers: Moj bicikl Association and Pag Town Tourist Board

More information: www.mojbicikl.hr

NOVALJA – LUN – NOVALJA CYCLING TOUR

Mini marathon around Novalja

Time of the event: The end of July

More information: www.visitnovalja.hr

PAG LACE CYCLING RACE Prezid – Jasenica – Pag – Novalja – Lun

Time of event: end of October Organizer: Sports Recreation Club PEDALA LAGANINI www.pedala-laganini.hr



# Practical information

## **Behavioral regulations in** riding on traffic roads

Cycling trails that you will find in this atlas mostly go along side roads with very little traffic or no traffic at all. One part of the trail goes along traffic roads where one must abide by the security regulations:

• before starting your ride, evaluate the difficulty of the trail and your physical readiness

• check the weather forecast and do not start the ride in adverse weather conditions-heavy rain and strong sun with high daily tempratures

• keep to the traffic regulations and signs for motorbike riders

 always ride on the right edge of the road, one behind the other, never one next to the other thus covering less road surface and enabling undisturbed passage for all vehicles.

• at the left turn, always give a glance behind you and give a clear sign with your arm that you intend to turn

• upon riding downhill, never cut the bends but keep to the right edge of the road

• always keep sufficient water with you or some other refreshing drinks

• be visible on the road, wear lightcoloured clothes when cycling and put on a vibrant colored headguard so as to be well visible.

# **Climate and meteorological** conditions for cycling

The best time for riding a bike is from April to October.

Continental part of Lika: average temperature 18 °C, lowers as the relief gets higherContinental part: littoral-Mediterranean climate, summer temperature up to 30 °C

Mountainous part of Lika: continental climate with temperatures up to 20 °C, and during the night up to 10 °C. Climatic conditions in this area are mostly determined by winds of which the most famous are the south wind and the north wind bora.

Island of Pag: Mediterranean climate and the highest temperature can rise to over 30 °C.

### **BIKE RENTING:**

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info@visitbrinje.hr

Novalja, Otok Pag, Hotel Loža, 1 Trg Loža Tel. +385 53 663 380 Straško Campsite, Novalja, Zeleni put 7 Tel. +385 53 661 226 www.kampstrasko.com

Perušić, Park prirode Grabovača, Tel. +385 53 679 233, www.pp-grabovaca.hr

### LICENCED CYCLING GUIDES:

Excellent physical condition, skilful in cycling, well acquainted with the region, and in case of accident skilful in offering assistance and in simple bike service.

Contact and information at numbers: Otočac, Barkan Cycling Club, information at numbers: +385 98 768 276; Gospić: +385 53 574 687 +385 99 8199 282



# Additional information

www.lika-gastro.com www.lika-active.com

### **IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

### International area code for Croatia

### 00385

Area code for Lika-Senj County

### 053

In case of accident on sea and land call

## 112

Ambulance service

### 194

Police

### 192

Fire brigade

### 193

Weather forecast	
01 3832 182	www.meteo.hr
Road traffic	
072 777 777	www.hak.hr
Croatian auto club	

01 6611 999 www.hak.hr/info/

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