



VISIT PODČETRTEK
BISTRICA OB SOTLI IN KOZJE

Advice for visiting our destination

Read this, before you visit us

Dear visitors,

We are glad that you want to visit our destination.

To places that may seem small, but are exceptional with their experiences and diverse offer.

Since we also want you to feel at home here and for your visit to go as smoothly as possible, we have prepared some useful tips.

**Welcome, far away.
Where we are all at home.**



Tips for visiting the destination Podčetrtek

HOP ON THE BIKE

Exploring a destination by bike has several advantages: it's fun, healthy for the body, and above all, sustainable.

There are bicycle routes from Podčetrtek to all neighboring municipalities - Kozje, Rogaška Slatina and Šmarje pri Jelšah.

Ordinary and electric bicycles can be rented at TIC Podčetrtek or in Terme Olimia.



DISCOVER GREEN

- Visit the **Kozjanski Park** and take a walk through the oldest and largest protected area in Slovenia, which is now also under **UNESCO**;
- Walk around **hill Rudnica** and explore the footpaths, and you can also climb **the Tower of Health and Happiness** and witness a breathtaking view;
- Pamper yourself with local providers, be it in the **herbal - therapeutic garden Herbalija** or go to a **wild herbal workshop** and prepare your own lunch.



AVOID CROWDS

During the fall break, there is a high probability that the popular sightseeing spots will be crowded. To avoid this, read the following suggestions:

Walk to the viewpoint

Leave your car in a remote parking lot and walk to the viewing point. This way, you will avoid looking for parking right next to the sights, and at the same time you will be able to enjoy observing the surroundings much more.

Avoid rush hours

The largest visit to the sights is usually before lunch or right after lunch. Therefore, it is better to visit in the morning or in the late afternoon. Weekends are also quite full, so we recommend visiting during the week.

Switch popular viewpoints for the less known

This may seem obvious, but avoiding popular or "trendy" destinations is one of the easiest ways to avoid major crowds.

TIC PODČETRTEK

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Mon - Fri: 8.00 - 15.00

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Discovering the destination sustainably

WHY AVOID THE CROWDS?

- In this way, the popular sightseeing spots will be relieved, and the queue will be smaller, which will make the tourist experience much more pleasant.
- Lesser known points may also be worth our time. It may take a bit more searching, but the reward is usually worth it.



BENEFITS OF EXPLORING BY BIKE



- Cycling greatly reduces your carbon footprint. The decision to travel by bicycle also means a decision to protect the environment.
- By cycling, you are physically active - you will breathe fresh air, which is also beneficial for your health.



RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR IN VULNERABLE AREAS

- Part of being a responsible traveler is knowing when and how to respect cultural norms. It is the best way to set the stage for honest, genuine, and respectful conversations with locals.
- Peak tourist season in vulnerable areas brings a range of issues, trash being one of them. Responsible travelers know that roadside littering is wrong, so simply hold onto your trash until you can dispose of it in a responsible way.
- Both urban and rural areas feel the impact of high season and overtourism. Consider traveling in shoulder season. This spreads out tourism's impact and has the added benefit of bringing more money into local economies year-round.