

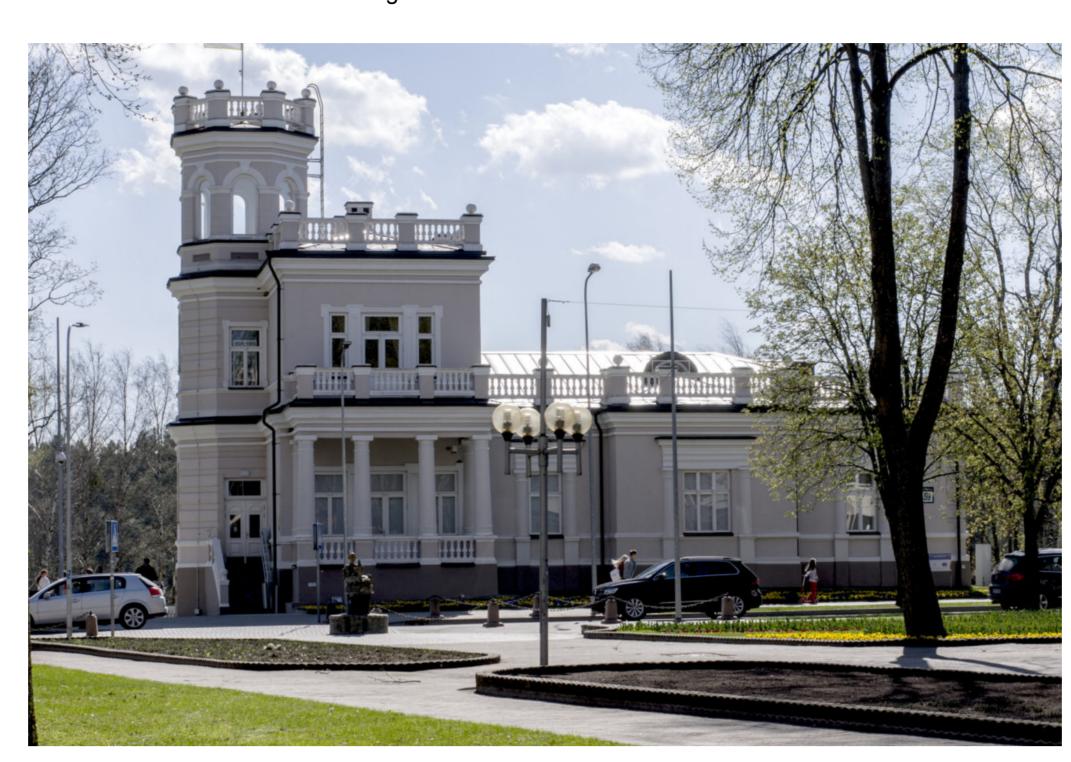


Newsletter No.7 For everyone interested in improving the accessibility of cultural heritage and tourism development



The museum of Druskininkai town

The Druskininkai town museum is established in the villa "Linksma", which is also known as the Kiersnovskiai villa. A brick cottage of modern and neo-classical styles stands on the north eastern shore of lake Druskonis, next to the church in the centre of the town. At the beginning of the 20th century, the influence of cosmopolitanism began to expand in the architecture of Druskininkai, and the villa "Linksma" was built on the initiative of Adolfas Kiersnovskis, a banker and a member of the resort joint stock company, in 1905-1909. It has become one of the most prominent examples of architecture of that time. Originally, as mentioned in the archival sources, the building performed a representative function of the town. Until the Second World War, the object was ruled by the Kiersnovskiai family and after the war, until 1977, the Pioneers' palace was established here. The town museum was renovated, and the exhibitions updated in 2013. After the renovation, the villa 'Linksma', which stands here for almost two centuries, has regained its original colour and some parts of exterior elements that were destroyed during previous repairs. Windows and doors are restored, the tiles have remained authentic. The building has a preserved arch that was built sideways on the wall and perhaps it is the only arch of such kind in Lithuania. The newly renovated terrace overlooks lake Druskonis. The building harmoniously merged into the natural landscape. The villa "Linksma" is one of the most significant cultural heritage sites in Druskininkai and is included in the list of cultural heritage.



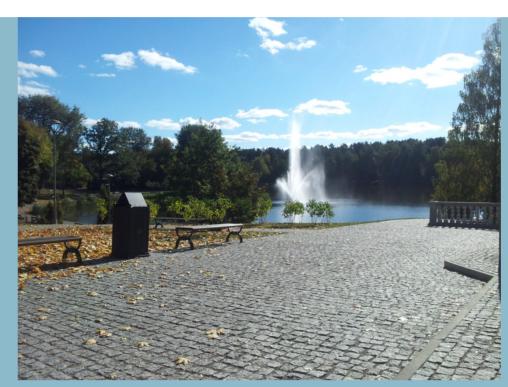
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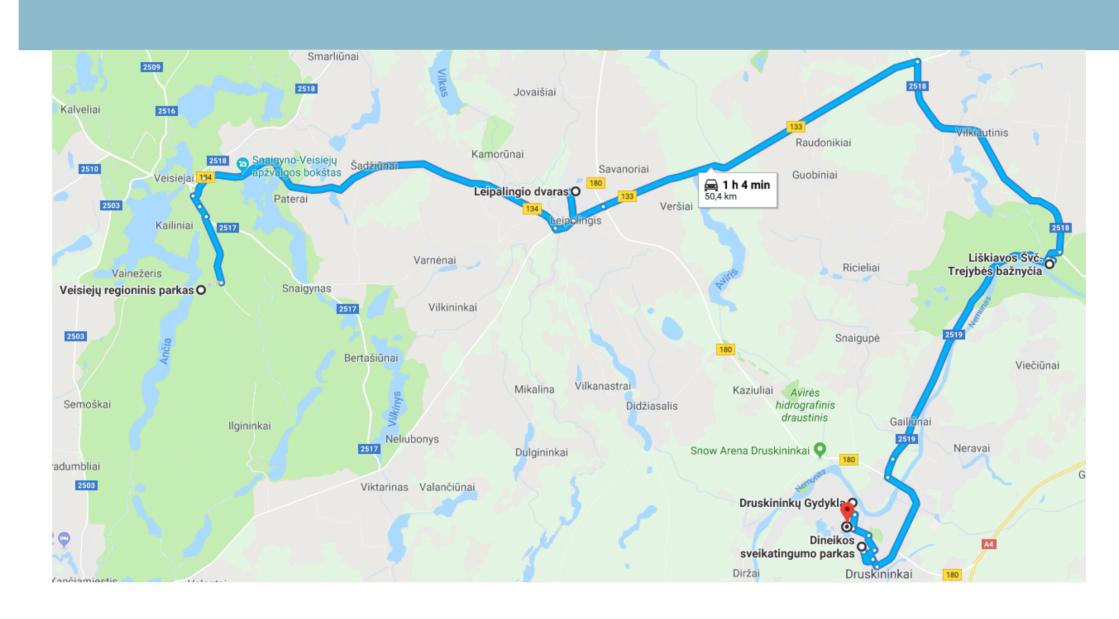
shorter. On holidays- closed.

It is one of the 6 objects
presented on the route of South
Dzūkija region, adapted for
people with disabilities and for
those who are interested in
more convenient accessibility.



South Dzūkija Route

- 1. The museum of Druskininkai town.
- 2. Health Resort Druskininkai.
- 3. Wellness park of Karolis Dineika.
- 4. The ensemble of Liškiava church and monastery.
- 5. Leipalingis Manor house.
- 6. Visitors' Centre of Veisiejai Regional Park.



At present, the villa hosts the Civil Registry Office and Druskininkai town museum was founded here in 1996. Druskininkai can be proud that it is the only town in Lithuania that has its own town museum. The museum has the only consecutive exhibition of Druskininkai town history, which contains over 4 thousand items: images of Old Druskininkai, a collection of postcards, publications on Druskininkai from Tsarist and interwar period, a collection of A. J. Kubilius photographs, a collection of photographs of B. Pilsudskis (1898-1905), antique household items, mineral water flasks, a collection of works of art. The most important items in collections of the museum are genuine postcards covering the period from the Czarist to the Soviet rule. These postcards are the main source of information about the town, as it is possible to find out where the holidaymakers came from, what people wrote about Druskininkai at that time. Exhibit halls contain authentic furniture. Since none of the authentic interior photographs could be found, the restorers created it according to the analogues of the buildings of that time.

Spaces of the environment of the museum are used for organization of events. The poetry is read, and chamber music concerts take place in the terrace under the open sky during the warm season of the year. Special attention is paid to the cycle of summer concerts called "Druskininkai serenades". The harmony of the villa and the environment fascinates the inhabitants and the guests of the resort, for this reason it is the most often photographed place in Druskininkai.







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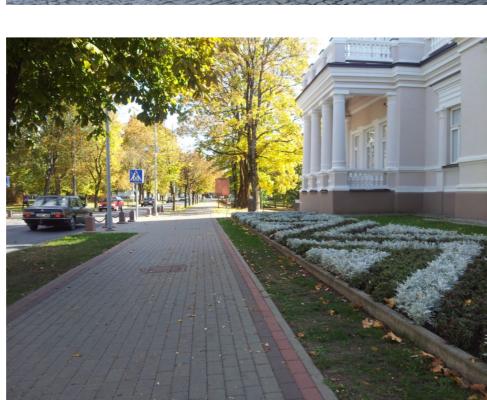
Parking lot is at the object.
Public transport stop is 300 metres away.

Access to the object is a lift (there is a call button).

It's easy to move inside the object, there are no obstacles (1th floor).

The object has for the toilet for the disabled.









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