# **VIPAVA VALLEY**

On the windy side of history



# **GUIDED TOURS OF:**

(youngest Slovenian city)

(walled medieval city)

(Roman fortress, industrial giant)

(»Little Venice« with rich history)

Sveta Gora (pilgrimage church)

#### YOU WILL LOVE IT HERE BECAUSE OF:

- historical sights on every step, from Roman fortresses, medieval city centers and castles to industrial heritage and (craft) museums
- ✓ many cycling and hiking trails
- ✓ taste authentic wines zelen and pinela

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# **GUIDED TOURS OF AJDOVŠČINA**

Starting point: in front of TIC Ajdovščina



How did Roman Castra look like? How did it become an industrial giant? Why is Ajdovščina so important to Slovenia?

## **GUIDED TOURS OF VIPAVSKI KRIŽ**

Starting point: by medieval entrance to Vipavski Križ



Why did they have their own army? What was the royal road used for? Which famous people stayed here?

# Price for each tour:

30 € (1-3 people) 7 €/person (4-15 people) 100 € (16 people and more)

# **GUIDED TOURS OF NOVA GORICA**

Starting point: in front of TIC Nova Gorica



Why was the city built from scratch?
Where is the last French king buried?
What things did people ingeniously smuggle across the border?

#### **GUIDED TOURS OF SVETA GORA**

Starting point: by church back entrance



What did the shepperdess Ursula see here? Why is image of Mary here called a refugee? Why do people bring votive images here?

#### Price for each tour:

30 € (1-3 people) 7 €/person (4-15 people) 100 € (16 people and more)

#### **GUIDED TOURS OF MIREN**

Starting point: at Miren cemetery



Why was cemetery cut in half by border?
Why was it called Goriška Athens?
What craft is Miren most known for?

# GUIDED TOURS OF RIHEMBERK CASTLE

Starting point: by the castle entrance



Where does its name derive from?
Which small mammals take refuge here?
How did it grow through the ages?

## Price for each tour:

40 € (1-3 people) 9 €/person (4-15 people) 100 € (16 people and more)

#### **GUIDED TOURS OF VIPAVA**

Starting point: in front of TIC Vipava



What's special about Vipava springs?
What's the Old castle's story?
Where can you see Egyptian sarchopaghuses?

# **GUIDED TOURS OF PODNANOS**

Starting point: parking lot by bus station



Which Slovenian film was made here?
Why is it the birthplace of Slovenian national anthem?
What are (pagan) origins of its name?

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#### **GUIDED TOURS OF SOLKAN**

Starting point: parking lot by Ošterija Žogica



When was it more important than Gorizia? What makes Solkan bridge special? What craft did Solkan men master?

# GUIDED TOURS OF KOSTANJEVICA

Starting point: the church entrance



Which last monarch is buried here?
What treasures does the Škrabec library hide?
How did the WWI and WWII affect it?

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# **SOČA VALLEY**

Emerald river with a bloody past



## **GUIDED TOURS OF:**

**ශ Kanal** 

(medieval city center, gallery, bridge)

**ଔ Tolmin** 

(old city center, farmers' rebellion)

ശ Most na Soči

(artificial lake, iron age heritage)

**ഗൂ** Kobarid

(WWI heritage, dairy museum)

#### YOU WILL LOVE IT HERE BECAUSE OF:

- ✓ rich WWI heritage (open-air museums, fortresses, memorial churches)
- ✓ (adrenaline) water sports
- √ hearty local cuisine (štruklji, frika, čompe)

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# **GUIDED TOURS OF KANAL**

Starting point: in front of TIC Kanal



Is Napoleon's horse really buried here? How did the medieval Kontrada look like? What's the bridge's turbulent story?

#### **GUIDED TOURS OF TOLMIN**

Starting point: in front of TIC Tolmin



Why did Dante Alighieri stay here? What were 2 castles in Tolmin used for? Why did the farmers' coup start here?

# Price for each tour:

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# **GUIDED TOURS OF MOST NA SOČI**

Starting point: parking lot by the lake



When and why was the lake made? How did this area look like in the iron age? Why did it change its name in 1955?

#### **GUIDED TOURS OF KOBARID**

Starting point: in front of TIC Kobarid



How did the »Kobarid miracle« change the tides of WW1?
Where are the ruins of an ancient fortified settlement?
Why did Mussolini visit Kobarid?

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# **GORIŠKA BRDA**

A mosaic of breathtaking views



## **GUIDED TOURS OF:**

**ଔŠmartno** 

(medieval village)

യ Vila Vipolže

(stunning renaissance villa)

ശ Kojsko

(magnificent wooden altar)

ശ Sabotin hill

(caverns from WWI)

്യ viewing tower Gonjače

(views from the Alps to Adriatic sea)

#### YOU WILL LOVE IT HERE BECAUSE OF:

- ✓ taste authentic wine rebula
- ✓ many cycling and hiking trails with a view
- ✓ picturesque vineyards and orchards

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# **GUIDED TOURS OF ŠMARTNO**

Starting point: in front of TIC Brda



What did Da Vinci have to do with Brda? Why does the church look like a fortress? Who were »koloni« and how did they live?

# **GUIDED TOURS OF VILA VIPOLŽE**

Starting point: the museum entrance



Who gave it the majestic form?
What purposes did it serve in 20th century?
What's the legend behind the frescoes?

#### Price for each tour:

20 € (1-3 people) 5 €/person (4-15 people) 90 € (16 people and more)

# **GUIDED TOURS OF KOJSKO**

Starting point: parking lot - Church of St. Cross



What stories does the wooden altar tell?
What happened to Kojsko castle?
Why did it lose its significance after WWI?

#### **GUIDED TOURS OF SABOTIN**

Starting point: the visitors' center entrance



How did everday life in the caverns look like? Why is there an inscription »NAŠ TITO«? Where did Middle Ages hermits live?

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