

Discover

the authenticity of Brda

The Brda region is most certainly one of the most picturesque landscapes in Europe and at the same time it shows a rich **mark of the past**. This is where the traditional image of life has been kept much longer than elsewhere. **The cultural heritage** of the Brda region is highlighted by cultivated landscape, typical architecture of villages, castles and churches, and the ethnological features of the everyday life of locals, in their traditional festivities and typical dialect. The Brda region is especially interesting for **nature** admirers. It is a natural amphitheatre, full of evident and hidden beauties.

beautiful

- 1 Vipolže Villa: the most beautiful renaissance villa in Slovenia is a new cultural, conference and wedding centre, where various cultural events, business meetings and private parties are held and characterised with the touch of Venetian elegance and the hospitality of local people.
- 2 View tower: a trailhead for excursions, this 23 m high tower in Gonjače offers a magnificent view of the fairy land that stretches to the sea and the Alps.
- 3 Šmartno: magical medieval village with a wall, church with Tone Kralj's frescoes, gallery and local craft products.
- 4 Krčnik and Kotline: natural stone bridge, connected by the Kožbanjšček brook with wonderful pools.
- 5 Dobrovo Castle: the late Renaissance castle boasts a gallery of prints by Zoran Mušič, a museum collection and the Count de Baguer's cellar, which is a delight for any visitor. The castle is currently undergoing renovation works and events take place in the castle courtyard.



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Taste

the healthy fruits of Brda

Top quality fruits, olive oil and honey from Brda are quite unique. Wine is a story full of life, memories and cheerful gatherings that fulfil the offer of prestigious restaurants around the world. Fresh seasonal products present the excellent **Brda cuisine**. It is tasteful and unforgettable. It has the features of the Mediterranean and the nearby mountains, a scent of the past and new modern faces.



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delicious

Enogastronomy: the taste of local and fresh products featured in tasty culinary artworks made by grandmas' recipes, is completed by the local olive oil and excellent wine. The food from gardens brightens up the seasonal plates.

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Wine: the steep slopes are home to the most exceptional grapes that have a typical mineral note. The cultivation of vineyards and the love of wine growers for land give the wine a special character. This is called "heroic wine-growing", where the typical wine sort "rebula" is the main cultivated sort.

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Fruit: cherries hold a special place among the diverse fruits in Brda (peaches, apricots, figs, plums, persimmon), and were glorified already in the past in many European cities, including Vienna and Prague.

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Olive oil: due to the location and processing methods the Brda region olive oil is extra virgin olive oil with premium taste which is proven by top awards received by the local olive oil producers. The typical sorts are "drobnica" and "črnica".

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Honey: acacia, linden and chestnut honey are the most popular types of excellent honey from Brda.

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Experience

the beat of life in Brda

The exceptional natural environment in all seasons, top enogastronomy and the touch of the mystical past, shown in diverse ambiances of castles and churches, put the Brda region among the most beautiful **wedding destinations**. **Cycling, hiking** and **themed trails** and guided excursions put the Brda region on the world map of the most popular boutique tourist destinations.

magnificent

- 1 **Cycling:** many small hills with numerous winding roads are scattered across the Brda region, thus being the perfect location for all cycling fans.
- 2 **Hiking:** walk along the trails past the diverse natural and cultural beauties or hike to Sabotin and Korada. More demanding hikers can also hike the cross-border Alpe Adria Trail. Or you can also join the Hiking Festival.
- 3 **Tastings:** the products from the Brda region write a special story. Discover it by tasting the best wines. Experience the genuine culinary experience – taste olive oil in green olive groves, and honey and marmalades in orchards.
- 4 **Sabotin, Peace Park:** visit the outdoor museum and caverns from the WWI and learn about the stories of the past. Take a walk along the circular hiking trail Brda's Circle of Peace and get to know the flora and fauna of the area.
- 5 **Interactive workshops:** the nature hides priceless gifts which are transformed by the hands of diligent locals into unique cosmetic products and culinary masterpieces.



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