

Driving around Turopolje

The tour begins in Velika Gorica, with a tour of the Visitor Centre, the Museum of Turopolje and the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. After that, get in the car and head to Andautonia, the archaeological site in Ščitarjevo. From there on, a drive through Mičevac takes us to Velika Mlaka, where we will see the Chapel of St. Barbara. In Donja Lomnica, we are making a stop at the Modić-Bedeković Kurija, and we can finish the tour at the Lukavec Castle. For those who are looking for real adventures, we recommend driving through winding streets of Pokupsko. There you can find many wooden chapels, the beauties of Turopolje, which will surely delight you.

Tour 1 / Approximately 1 hour of sightseeing	
1	- Interpretation Centre of the Velika Gorica Visitor Centre
2	- Museum of Turopolje
3	- Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tour 2 / Approximately 2.5 hours (drive + sightseeing)	
4	- Andautonia Archaeological Park, Ščitarjevo
5	- Chapel of St. Barbara, Velika Mlaka
6	- Modić-Bedeković Kurija, Donja Lomnica
7	- Lukavec Castle, Lukavec
Tour 3 / approximately 2-3 hours (drive + sightseeing)	
8	- Chapel of the Holy Spirit in Lučelnica
9	- Chapel of St. Antun of Padua in Gustelnica
10	- Chapel of St. Roko in Cvetković Brdo
11	- Chapel of St. John the Baptist in Lukinić Brdo
12	- Chapel of St. Juraj in Lijevo Štefanki
13	- Chapel of St. Peter and Paul in Cerje Pokupsko
14	- Chapel of the Holy Trinity in Pokupski Gladovec
15	- Chapel of St. Elijah in Auguštanovec

Duration of the car ride / kilometres

11 min / 8.5km

16 min / 11.4 km

7 min / 4.6 km

3 min / 2 km

17 min / 15.1 km

11 min / 7.8 km

10 min / 7.2 km

8 min / 4.6 km

8 min / 7 km

5 min / 4 km

6 min / 3.8 km

17 min / 12.8 km



Dear guests - drivers,

in order to easily and quickly visit the most interesting places and sights in Velika Gorica and Turopolje, we advise you to sit in your car or rent a car and enjoy the beauties of this region. We hope this informative car-guide will help you plan your route and give you enough reasons to spend a wonderful and experience-filled day in Turopolje.

Turn on the music, take your time, drive carefully and enjoy!



Visitor Centre - the right place to start each tour.

The interactive exhibition in the large multimedia hall, which takes up the majority of the **Velika Gorica Visitor Centre**, offers all natural and geographical as well as historical and tourist sights and attractions of Turopolje in one place. Let us take you under the canopy of an oak tree, with the sounds of nature and birds chirping, and teach you more about the natural beauty of Turopolje. Experience the history of this region from the Roman times to the present, get to know ethnographic riches and traditional wooden architecture. Experience well-known things about Turopolje in a new way, take a photo with selected characters from the history of Turopolje, or send an electronic postcard from Turopolje.



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The archaeological site of Andautonia

is a unique site with an interesting history. Next to the village Šćitarjevo, in the area of 2500 square meters, the remains of an old ancient town from the Roman Empire (1st - 4th century B.C.) can be found, and an archaeological park has been opened here since 1994. Here you can see the remains of the Roman city: a Roman street, a city bath and two buildings, and a Roman necropolis from the 1st century B.C.

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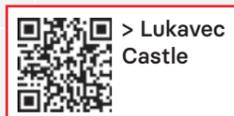


We suggest that you start your tour of the city and Turopolje in the Park of the Noble Municipality of Turopolje, i.e., by visiting places located right next to the park and which can offer you a lot of interesting information about the history of this region, its rich material and intangible heritage and exceptional natural resources. **The Visitor Centre** is an ideal start to this tour because it offers a variety of content for all generations. Therefore, we are sure that you will enjoy it and find something for yourself. A few steps from the Visitor Centre is the **Museum of Turopolje** - a former town hall of the Noble Municipality of Turopolje, the so-called Turopolje town - which was built in the middle of the 18th century next to the city park. It became the Museum of Turopolje in 1960. Here you can explore the archaeological, ethnographic, cultural and historical build of the Velika Gorica area.

At the end of the park is the **Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Its appearance today, in the spirit of the Baroque era, is credited to Herman Bollé. On the façade of the church, in the niche of the bell tower, there is a statue of St. Lucy, patron saint of Turopolje, and above the entrance door there is the coat of arms of the Noble Municipality of Turopolje.

Lukavec Castle

By crossing the Sava-Odra flood-relief channel, you will arrive to the Old Town of Lukavec, the former seat of the Noble Municipality of Turopolje and the main defensive fortress. Lukavec Castle, a symbol of Turopolje nobility, was built to defend against the Turks at the end of the 15th century and as a monument to the turbulent history of this region. It is a must-see site for anyone who comes to Turopolje. Above the main entrance with a portal and the coat of arms of the Noble Municipality of Turopolje from 1752, rises a tower in which used to be a chapel dedicated to St. Lucy. On the eve of St. Juraj, on 23rd April, the Old Town of Lukavec traditionally comes to life. During the St. Juraj festivities, a big bonfire is lit in front of it, symbolically driving away winter and celebrating the upcoming spring.



Chapel of St. Barbara

You can continue your tour of Turopolje towards Gornja Lomnica and Velika Mlaka, where you can find the Chapel of St. Barbara - the most beautiful and most representative example of the wooden Baroque sacral architecture of Northern Croatia. In its interior there is a beautiful winged altarpiece from the 17th century, with depictions of the life and martyrdom of St. Barbara on one side, and the passion of Christ on the other. About 150 painted surfaces with depictions of saints and plant motifs, reminiscent of the gallery of paintings painted by local artists, have been preserved on tabulatum and wooden panels. The chapel can be visited with prior notice on the following telephone number +385 1 6234 761.



Modić-Bedeković Kurija

After the tour of the Chapel of St. Barbara, head towards villages of Gradići and Donja Lomnica, where a beautiful wooden mansion Modić-Bedeković Kurija awaits. Built in 1806, the Kurija stands out as an example of the indigenous residential construction of the Turopolje region, and the entire estate is one of the most valuable examples of the architectural cultural heritage of central Croatia and was protected as a heritage site in 1972. A visit to the Kurija is possible with prior notice to the Museum of Turopolje on the following telephone number: +385 1 6221 325.



Park of the Noble Municipality of Turopolje

Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Visitor Centre

Museum of Turopolje

Tour of the "Wooden Beauties of Turopolje"

If you have time, we advise you to continue the tour towards Pokupsko, where you can find our **beautiful wooden chapels**. The wooden chapels of Turopolje and Pokuplje are unique in the world and represent the highest range of folk architecture of the Baroque era in Northern Croatia. Although few have been preserved to this day, only 11 of them, wooden chapels in this area are particularly interesting because of their typological diversity. Located most often on a small hill near a village, surrounded by tall and old trees, with small wooden bell towers, they blended harmoniously into the landscape.

We are convinced that you will be delighted with their architectural simplicity and originality as well as an abundance of details that testify to the artistic abilities of the folk masters of masonry and carpentry in Turopolje.

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