



A KINGDOM OF PATHWAYS. CHOOSE YOURS.





# The Tržič area is a paradise for seekers of adventure and mystery

The older folk of Tržič know that dragons once roamed here. One of them is responsible for the creation of Tržič. Nowadays, when supposedly the dragons are no more, there is a prevailing sense of peace and boundless beauty along the forest and mountain paths.

But a traveler to these parts should not be fooled by this – every stone here has its own story.

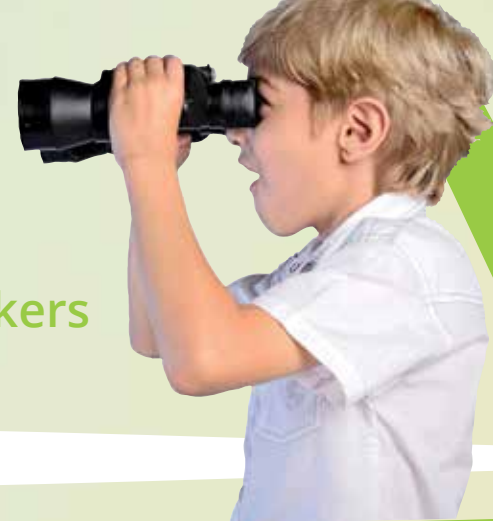
In the Dovžan Gorge (*Dovžanova soteska*) alone there are thousands of such stories. The gorge is older than the dinosaurs. Its 300 million-year-old walls con-

tain thousands of fossils from times that pre-date even the dragons. The roads in the Tržič area are not so old; they date from the time of ancient Rome. During that time wagons rattled along them over the Loibl Pass; today they are host to the annual races of oldtimer cars and motorcycles, a true sight to behold.

Another sight to behold are the views from here. The Tržič area offers a wealth of trails affording breathtaking views to trekkers, mountaineers, climbers, mountain bikers, scouts, adrenaline lovers, hang-gliders, parachutists, ski mountaineers, ski jumpers, snowboarders, fishermen and hunters, as well as to historians, geologists, poets, and lovers of all things beautiful.

Many famous people lived in these beautiful forested valleys. For instance, Marshal Radetzky, who was immortalized in Johann Strauss I's Radetzky March. The astronaut Sunita Williams, who has logged more than 3000 flight hours in over 30 different aircrafts, has her roots here. Tržič is home to several world-class skiers, among them the first Slovenian world record holder in ski-jumping Jože Šlibar, the initiator of Slovenian skiing hysteria Bojan Križaj, and the Olympic silver medalist in snowboarding Žan Košir. Which is no surprise, according to locals, since in winter this area has the best powder in Slovenia. Is this true?

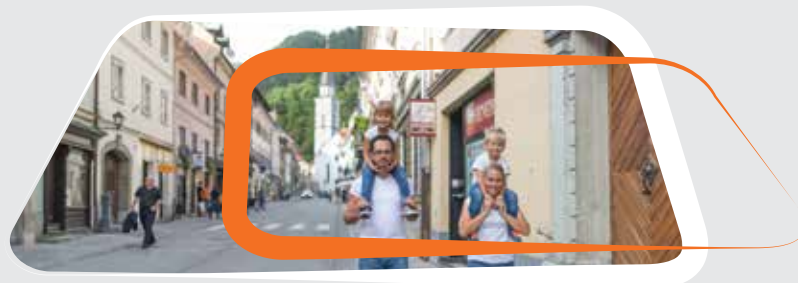
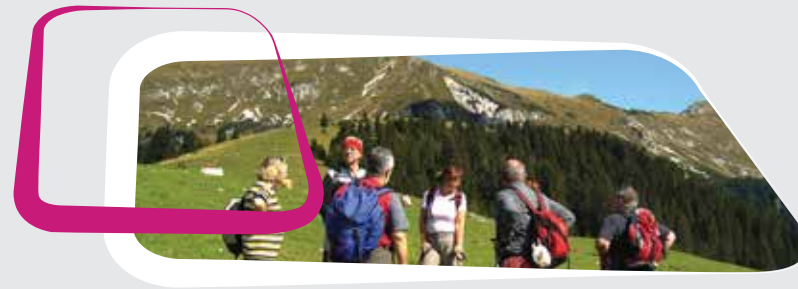
In Tržič everything is possible and everything is true.



The Tržič area is heaven for romantic seekers of mysteries.

You can find many ideas for short or long hikes around Tržič and the surrounding forests, meadows, mountains and mountain ranges on our website [www.visit-trzic.com](http://www.visit-trzic.com).

# A kingdom of pathways. Choose yours.



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# Who will find the dinosaur first?

This is a crack in time, looking back all the way to prehistory.

Although the Dovžan Gorge is older than the dinosaurs, no dinosaur had ever set foot in it. But they probably swam in it. For the last 300 million years the gorge was covered by tropic sea. Marine animals swarmed in it, this is why the gorge's rocks are full of their fossils. Even fossils that cannot be found anywhere else in the world.

Today, this is where lies a narrow gorge with steep walls of a multitude of colours. The recently renewed path starts at the parking lot behind the Čadovlje village near Tržič. The village is also home to the Jamenšnik homestead, a unique example of rustic architecture, typical of the Karawanks. And the nearby "paštba", the only renovated brick kiln for flax and fruit, hosts the information point. The path then passes by the information signs between steep walls, over a bridge and through a gallery, by the longest stream with waterfalls in Slovenia and geological column, where rocks, between 300 and 260 million years old, can be seen.

The views around the gorge are astonishing. The bravest explorers can tackle a steep path with steel stairs, secured with steel wire ropes, which anyone can take on without feeling dizzy. True climbers, however, can test their abilities in climbing areas on the mysterious Kušpergar's towers, five vertical stone columns - remnants of the prehistoric coral reef.

There are as many secrets in the Dovžan Gorge, as there are stones on the path. And even though there are countless fossils on every step, the Plesiosaurus has not been found yet. It is buried somewhere deep, waiting for someone to discover it.

The geological column displays rocks that are between 300 and 260 million years old.

A panoramic and forest educational path go by the river bank of the Tržiška Bistrica river.

The varied rock composition is also reflected in the extremely diverse and rich vegetation composition, since this is one of the rare places where you can find so many tree and shrub species in one spot. This is exactly the reason why a walk on the forest educational trail, including 6 observation stations along its length of approximately 1000 metres, is the perfect way to discover interesting facts about the forests and their management, and signposts give information about the fauna, the characteristics of the forest ecosystem in general and certain features of wooded areas in the territory of Slovenia.

the riverbed of the Tržiška Bistrica river runs between a small gallery and the Born gallery



the narrowest part of the gorge is at the Born gallery

Filip Bence path

the »kranjska švagerina« fossil

stream with waterfalls

geological column

light windows in the Born gallery

between the blocks of a flint-stone conglomerate by kayak



# The largest

# natural rosary in the world

The rosary is so large that it is hidden from view.

The essence is always hidden from view. So is discovery. The only way we can make discoveries is with an open heart, peaceful mind and relaxed body. And one of the best ways to achieve all three is pilgrimage.

The largest cathedral in the world: the cathedral of nature.



rosary

The Rosary pilgrimage path is a circular trail, unique in the world, in the shape of a rosary. It is 12 km long and takes you along the old pilgrimaging paths, between the villages that are several thousands of years old. It connects four churches: the basilica of Mary Help of Christian in Brezje, the church of St. John the Baptist in Kovor, the church of St. Neža in Brezje near Tržič and the church of St. Jacob in Leše. It is equipped with markings, benches, drinking water and toilets.

Walking across fields, meadows, through forests and across streams is to pray in the largest cathedral in the world: the cathedral of nature. In solitary silence or in the company of friends, thoughts come to mind that give us a solution to our problems. Problems that seemed huge before showing their true nature in this mighty cathedral: as everyday lessons in the school of life.

The Rosary path offers us the freshness of the Peračnica stream and its murmuring song, the soft rustling of the leaf roof that protects us from the heat, the tweeting of the birds or the evening silence. These are the precious moments that strengthen the trust in ourselves and help us become better persons. In this huge cathedral we feel really small, but can better realise our true potential and role.

This path, starting at the famous basilica in Brezje, can be completed in three and a half hours. In this short time you will not be only further enriched by the unforgettable experience, but by a new discovery that was concealed to you until now.



path for a joint trip ...



... or for a solitary pilgrimage





THE PATH OF THE THREE BELLS

# The most resonant path



a bell instead of a signpost

Does a witch dwell here? Who is hiding in the cave? Does the clear water of the karstic springs still have its magic powers?

The Udin Woods (*Udin boršt*) is a rugged karstic area that stirs our imagination. However, the Path of the Three Bells, going through the northern part of the Udin Woods, is a pleasant and undemanding trail for hikers of all ages.

It is generous with interesting scenes of depressions, valleys and caves. This is why this place was always full of good hiding places. The Udin Woods was once a stronghold of brigands, boys who did not want to serve in the army. During the

rule of the French, military service lasted from 7 to 14 years of age. That is why they had to hide and survive somehow. Stories about them are still told today. Brigands held important meetings, weddings and parties in the Udin Woods. They say that their merriment was heard all the way to the village.

A majestic forest, a diverse terrain, sunny meadows and friendly villages lie on our left and right. Cart tracks gently lead forward and leave enough room for a joyful stroll of children, a heated discussion between old friends, for those who seek peace and tranquillity and the fast pace of the fittest ones.

The locals put three signs along the path, each with a small bell. If the children have the objective to ring the bell by the sign, the path becomes more interesting for them and the pace is faster. And stopping for beverages or snacks by the sign turns the hike into a memorable trip.

The magnificent scenery of forests and meadows will blend with picturesque villages and their rich cultural heritage – from the rural architecture to festivities, local crafts and customs. In the village of Žiganja vas it is impossible to overlook the church of St. Urh. The giant and ancient village lime tree, which is according to tradition more than 500 years old, enchants with its mightiness. How many people does it take to encircle it? How many children can fit into its hollow trunk?

You will never know, if you don't try.

old village lime tree in the village of Žiganja vas



running track



# What was life like on the mountain?



Mt Konjščica

Completing the path takes 7 hours, and much longer to tell all the stories.

Don't read about it. You can experience it in person in the Tržič area.

The Konšča theme path is a unique trail, presenting life on the remote mountains. You may visit mountain farms, cross high

pastures and immerse yourselves in secluded forests under Mt Storžič. The culture and nature of this place are like an open book, while signposts by the path non-intrusively answer all of your questions about the area's attractions.

We start at the altitude of 1000 metres, under the high-altitude tourist farm Pr' Tič. There you can visit a collection of carpentry tools, old carts and sleighs, typical hand-crafting and farming tools.

The path leads by the "Na borštu" viewpoint, where an incredible view opens up to the Košuta mountain ridge. During the summer months, we will encounter cows and alpine dairy farmers at the alpine dairy farm on Mt Spodnja Konjščica. The trail leads us on and up to Mt Zgornja

Konjščica. Cows used to graze here a long time ago, now this mountain offers the diversity and tranquillity of its overgrowing pastures.

Hikers are greeted by small lakes or ponds. There you can show the children the mountain newts. The little ones will think that they are small dinosaurs and since anything is possible in the Tržič area, they could be right. Tread carefully, so you don't step on them.

Leaving the newts behind we head on to Mt Bela peč, where majestic views open before us. From there, we descend to the Gabrčev rovt meadow and then to Kotel. Here we will discover the tradition of charcoal burning. Then we continue to the mountain hut under Mt Storžič, where the theme path ends and it's time for a big meal.

Passing the Pavšl and Gabrc homesteads we will return to the starting point. Completing the path takes 7 hours, and much longer to tell all the stories.



a paradise for people, animals and plants



how fun it is on the mountains



## PODLJUBELJ VALLEY

# The steepest and most beautiful path to Europe

No path to Europe is as beautiful and steep as this one. This is the heart of Tržič.

Ever since there were people in the Tržič area, this was the path that lead through the Karawanks to northern Europe. The 2000-metres high mountain range drops quickly here to just 1300 metres, this is why people have been transporting everything that could be bartered between southern and northern Europe, since prehistoric, ancient and medieval times.

The Podljubelj Valley was one of the most important arteries up to the construction of the Karawanks tunnel. For long centuries it enabled Tržič to prosper in blacksmithing, leather trade and shoemaking. The locals could sell their highly-regarded hand-crafted products far into Europe.

Its importance, however, did not diminish its genuine beauty. At the top of the alpine valley reigns Ljubelj, the oldest road pass in Europe. It is adorned by two stone obelisks, almost 300 years old, in honour of Emperor Karl VI. The road pass is now closed for cars, except in September, when motorcycles, cars and side-car motorcycles rumble at the old-timer mountain race. During the winter, the brave and the crazy can try the adrenaline sledding run and, just beneath it, the first adrenaline park in Slovenia.

Ruins and a monument to the memory of the brave, the suffering and those who lost their lives in the war lie in the immediate vicinity of the park. The subsidiary of the notorious Mauthausen concentration camp, the prisoners of which dug a tunnel under Ljubelj, stood here during WWII. This also serves as the memorial of the clandestine and unselfish help given by the people of Tržič to the prisoners by smuggling food, mail and parcels from relatives.

Restless explorers can discover not only the attractions above ground, which can be seen in all their splendour from the surrounding hills and the Born path leading to Mt Preval with the renowned Born tunnels. Secrets are also hidden underground. One of them is an abandoned mercury mine. Part of the mine is available for guided visits.

No matter where the path takes you in this valley, whichever slope you tackle, it will always take your breath away and make your heart sing. Is there a valley more beautiful than the Podljubelj Valley? The people of Tržič know there isn't.

The steepest part of the road has a **33% incline.**



The Hrast memorial – international old-timer mountain race

Ljubelj Concentration Camp



Tominec Waterfall

St. Anna Mine



just below the mountain pass Ljubelj the path eases down



# Under the longest Slovenian mountain range

There are enough thrills and magnificent views for everyone, be it mountaineers, hikers or free climbers.

The Tržič area is a mountaineering paradise throughout the year. 150 km of marked paths – and numerous more, of all levels of difficulty – await those who want to test their endurance.

The Karawanks are very steep and precipitous on the north, Austrian side, and gently descend to the valley on the sunny Tržič side. The panoramic trails go through charming forests and pass by hospitable alpine dairy farms all the way to the highest mountain peaks.

Awaiting for you is Košuta, the longest and highest mountain range in the Tržič area with its highest peak being Mt Košutnikov Turn (2133 m). It will pamper you with its incredible views and the softness of grassy slopes. Besides Košuta, there are also the mountains Begunjščica, Dobrča, Storžič and Kriška gora, all great destinations or just intermediary stops on a longer hike. Free climbers can also test their abilities in the Dovžan Gorge or on Mt Bela peč, while always counting on the hospitality of the mountain outpost in the vicinity.

Numerous alpine dairy farms and mountain farms invite you to rest and enjoy yourselves. Hospitable locals will take care of you with genuine local cuisine, especially dishes based on dairy products. We are all familiar with sour milk, however, here you can try the “masovnek”, an old mountain dish made of sour cream, flour and eggs. It was once a typical dish of shepherds, now it is a speciality that is not served in many places.

Don't think about it for too long. In Tržič, the direction is clear and one only – up!

**10**  
km long **Košuta**  
mountain ridge

**150**  
km of **marked**  
paths

**2133**  
metres high  
**mountain**  
Košutnikov Turn



the majestic Košuta and life beneath it



Mountaineering paradise in all seasons.



# From hut to hut and summit to summit

Although the Tržič Karawanks are a small mountain range compared to the European Alps, they boast 150 km of marked mountain paths. Is that a lot or too little? Depends on who you are asking!

## More than a one-day trip

Sometimes you need to take the time for a longer break from the everyday grind, to calm your soul, clear your mind and set new goals. Nothing beats waking up in a mountain hut as the first sun rays make their way into the room. Or watching the sunset, full of new hiking experiences at the top of the highest mountain peaks, and descend to the nearest cosy and warm mountain hut in the moonlight. The Tržič area offers exactly that.

## Itineraries home and abroad

The Karawanks connect the Kamnik-Savinja Alps on the east and the Julian Alps on the west. They are populated with numerous mountain paths, including itineraries home and abroad.

Via Alpina connects 8 alpine countries: Austria, France, Italy, Lichtenstein, Monaco, Germany, Slovenia and Switzerland, while the Violet path passes through the Tržič area.

The Slovenian mountain path is the oldest linking path in Europe, taking hikers from Maribor to Ankaran with numerous resting stops in the Tržič hills.

The Tržič mountain path is a trail that leads across the mountain tops around Tržič. This pleasant, circular path can be completed in five to six days, while the most resilient can run through it in less than a day. For a successfully completed path you receive a stamp in your log, for your own personal satisfaction, however, you get in return a magnificent nature and incredible views.

## Choose your own circular path

If you like endeavours, you will not care how many slopes you have to conquer and how many descends you will have to take on. If you enjoy absolute silence or the morning singing of birds, choose your own circular path around Tržič. You will not regret it.

**1471 m**

Kriška gora

**1488 m**

Kofce

**1634 m**

Dobrča



# Off-road paths and a network of climbing paths for the most experienced

The Begunjščica, Košuta, Storžič and Vrtača mountains are well-known to many demanding hikers, mountaineers or free climbers. Numerous off-road paths offer an escape from the most visited marked mountain paths during all seasons, whereas mountain huts and lodges give refuge after a successful descent from the chosen summit.

## Climbing areas

The two easily accessible climbing areas in the Dovžan gorge and Mt Bela peč above the Lom Valley are most suitable for a quick afternoon tackle of the climbing walls or the first climbing hours in nature, after having conquered all the indoor climbing walls in the nearby gyms. Worthy of note are also the boulders on Ljubelj, where you can test your new equipment, or the numerous rock shelter, which are an excellent polygon for rehearsing combined climbing.

## "Storžič is our kingdom" goes the song

As every Slovenian should summit Mt Triglav at least once in his life, so must every resident of Tržič summit Mt Storžič at least once. All those who visit Tržič are, of course, welcome to do so. There are plenty of routes you can try each visit, the most popular route is the Kramar route, passing by a bivouac.



Those who come to Tržič and summit one of the peaks, come back again and again.

## Mt Košuta for all tastes

Košuta is covered with mountain meadows on the south, Slovenian side, and is easily accessible. However, the north, Austrian side is a totally different story. The climbing walls there are a challenge for anyone, even the most advanced climbers. One of the easier and particularly interesting climbing paths to the most western summit of Košuta crosses Mt Hanjževo sedlo on the Slovene-Austrian border.

## 80 routes to Mt Begunjščica

It takes less than an hour to get from Ljubljana under the northern screens of Mt Begunjščica, ready to tackle one of the routes that spreads like a spider web across the steep walls and ravines above Mt Zelenica. The climbing guide to Mt Begunjščica lists 80 different routes. The names are most interesting: Zlobna (the Evil route), Spominčica (the Forget-me-not route), Smrketa (the Smurfette route) ... which one should we take on today?

## Mt Vrtača and its neighbour

From Ljubelj across Mt Zelenica we quickly arrive to an interesting valley, named Suho ruševje. From here we can ascend to Mt Vrtača, Zelenjak or Palec, particularly during winter, when tour skiing takes place here.

## In the summer and winter

Those who come to Tržič and summit one of the peaks, come back again and again. There are plenty of panoramic peaks and no shortage of interesting routes.



# Family cycling or backflipping?

1869 m

Škrbina

2044 m

Tegoška gora

1437 m

Pungrat

Real treats for expert slope gourmets.

under mount Pungart

Virtually any place in the Tržič area is accessible by bicycle. It all depends, however, with whom you do it.

Would you like to exercise with your family? The surrounding area of Tržič with Kriško polje and the extensive Udin Woods are an ideal location for that. The charming sections can also be found in the valley of the Tržiška Bistrica river and the Mošenik stream. Here, lovers of the freshness of forests and the murmuring chatter of the rushing streams can really

enjoy themselves. The path toward the settlement of Jelendol leads through the Dovžan Gorge and by the Stegovnik stream reveals one of the most beautiful pearls of its rich bosom: a picturesque waterfall that gently stretches over the rocks and sprays its water energies. This is a temple of peace and the most natural clinic for the body and soul.

Similar idyllic imagery is created by the split Tominec Waterfall by the Beli potok stream in the Podljubelj Valley. A forest path by the stream takes you directly to it.

Are you in the company of expert slope enthusiasts? Then you will be enthralled by the slopes of Mt Košuta, Dobrča, Kriška gora, Begunjščica and the list goes on. Most alpine dairy farms and mountain huts are accessible by bicycle. The diverse terrain with breath-taking slopes will raise your adrenaline levels and give you thrills known only to mountain bikers. Steep ascents will award you with magnificent views and wild descents. Fitness and the skills required to master these demanding terrains are an obvious prerequisite for these top cycling tours.

However, if you can tell the difference between the "360 triple tailwhip" and the "backflip barspin tailwhip" and you like to hang out with extreme sports enthusiasts, then the Dirtpark Divjina is the place to be. Even the most seasoned BMX competitor will get tears of joy. The magnificent forest park was chosen for its competitions also by Red Bull. There's no gravity here, and if you have never believed in miracles before, you will get to see them in person here.

So, who will you go cycling around Tržič with?



signpost by the cycling trail under Mt Storžič



family cycling



# The dragon town of entrepreneurs and artisans

Everything began with the dragon.

It made its lair deep into the longest Slovenian mountain, Mt Košuta. When it grew into a large beast, it split the mountain in half. An avalanche came rumbling down, burying the settlement under the mountain. To save themselves the residents rushed into the valley. After a while they ran out of breath and stopped. The mountain stream flowed into the river at exactly that spot. They liked it. They rolled up their sleeves, built houses and founded the town that is now known as Tržič.

This was a long time ago. So long ago that in 1492, exactly two months after Columbus discovered America, Tržič was not just a village, but already a square. Every few centuries the town of Tržič was renovated, as it was burned down to the ground by fire. This is why it is the only town with a two centuries old fire protection and the then mandatory use of metal doors and shutters, which was a European peculiarity.

Tržič had also its own castle on top of the hill, which sadly burned in one of those fires. This happened when it was owned by the world-renowned Austrian Field Marshal Josef Radetzky, famous today for the eponymous march composed by Strauss. Radetzky replaced the burned-down castle with today's mansion. He was held in high regard by the people of Tržič due to his generosity.

Since there was a lot of traffic in this area already in Ancient Roman times, the people of Tržič reinvented themselves to become very enterprising ironworkers, wheelwrights, textile workers, tanners and above all shoemakers. The rich collection in the Museum of Tržič and the famous event "Šušarska nedelja" are evidence of this glorious crafting history. Today, Tržič is a pleasant old town, protected as a cultural monument. This is a place worth stopping at and listening to its countless stories.

By the way, what happened to the dragon that took credit for Tržič?

It was buried by the same avalanche that it caused. Lucky for the visitors of Tržič, otherwise it would still scare them today.

townscape



Everything began with the dragon ...



house in "Zgornji Vogel"



marshal Josef Radetzky



»Pvac«



# A place writing shoemaking and skiing history

The exhibition "Tržiški šuštarji" at the Museum of Tržič presents the richest shoemaking collection in Slovenia.

The exhibition presents the remarkable tradition of Tržič shoemaking, which thousands of people from Tržič made a living with, and offers the opportunity to see first-hand the old manually crafted footwear and the Peko industrial production and their results, which reflected in the shoe-wearing culture of the people of Tržič and other Slovenians.



shoemaker's workshop or "berštat"

Tržič is the town with most Winter Olympians.



Tržič is one of our oldest sports and skiing centres, from which most of the Slovenian Winter Olympics team members hail. It is not a coincidence, therefore, that the Slovenian Ski Museum opened its doors right here.

The permanent exhibition displays the history of skiing, from the first testimonies in prehistoric times until today. A special place is occupied by the skiers from Tržič, who competed at the Winter Olympics for the first time in 1948. The exhibition presents the most resounding results obtained by Jože, Šlibar, Bojan Križaj, Andrej Jerman and Žan Košir. Part of the exhibition is dedicated to the great names of the Slovenian alpine skiing, who achieved the greatest successes at the Olympics and World Championships, and to the winners of the World Cup.

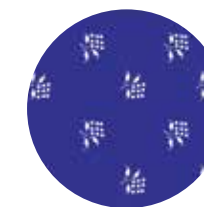
Slovenian Skiing Museum - SMUK



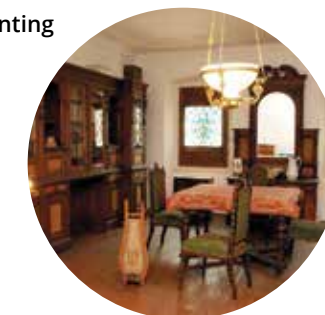
Tribute to the shoemakers of Tržič.

shoemaker's lamp.

In addition to the mentioned exhibitions, the Museum of Tržič displays other crafting collections (tanner, wheelwright, blue-printing and textile collections). One of the rooms is dedicated to the Borns, a family of barons that marked the life in the settlement of Jelendol and the wider area of Tržič from the end of the 19th to the 20th century.



blue-printing



presentation of the Born family

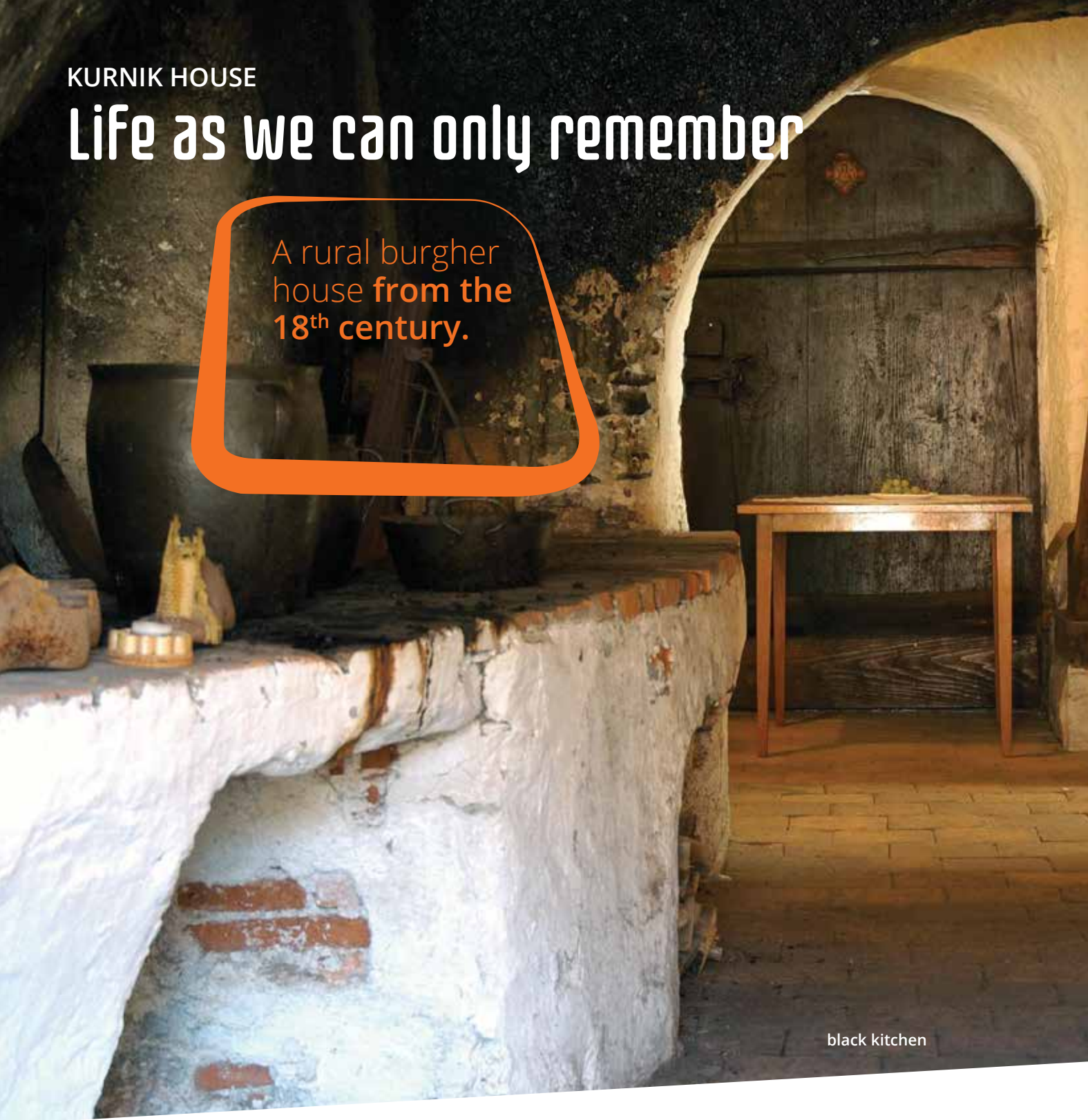


Tržič - town of Olympians



# Life as we can only remember

A rural burgher house **from the 18<sup>th</sup> century.**



black kitchen

The birth house of the poet Vojteh Kurnik belongs among the most precious testimonies of the past living conditions in Tržič.

The house fascinates with its more than three-hundred-years-old history. With its brick ground floor, wooden first floor, a cup-shaped roof, a black kitchen and

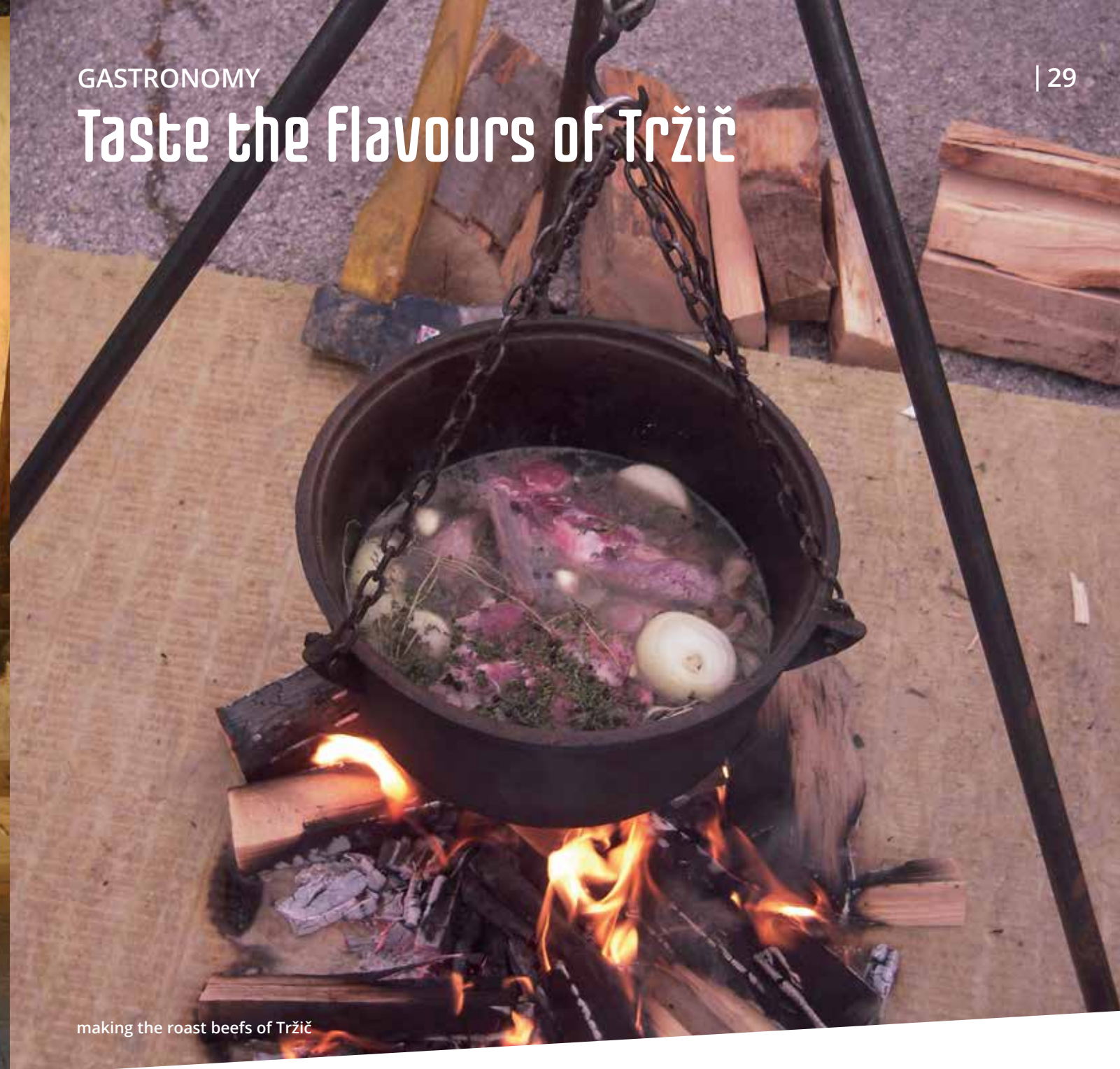
drying openings on the roof it combines rustic and urban architecture of the 18th, 19th and first half of the 20th century. It presents the living environment of a past period, and one of the rooms displays the life and work of the poet.

**Do you see yourselves living in such a house today?**



Kurnik House

# Taste the flavours of Tržič



making the roast beefs of Tržič

The most famous Tržič dish is without a doubt the roast beefs of Tržič, a stew made of lamb or mutton, to which the annual Festival of Roast Beefs of Tržič is dedicated.

There is a famous story about their creation, which tells about a merry company on Mt Kofce that, after having ran out of food, caught a sheep and cooked it together with spices and herbs growing on the mountain.

Today, the alpine dairy farms offer mostly milk-based dishes during the summer months. Sour milk combined with various dumplings, the "masovnek" and nut rolls are dishes that will pamper your palate.

The local gastronomy was also influenced by many historical events. The Austrian soldiers, for example, showed the people of Tržič how to make a dish made of pasta, bacon, potatoes and onions, named "Grenadier March".



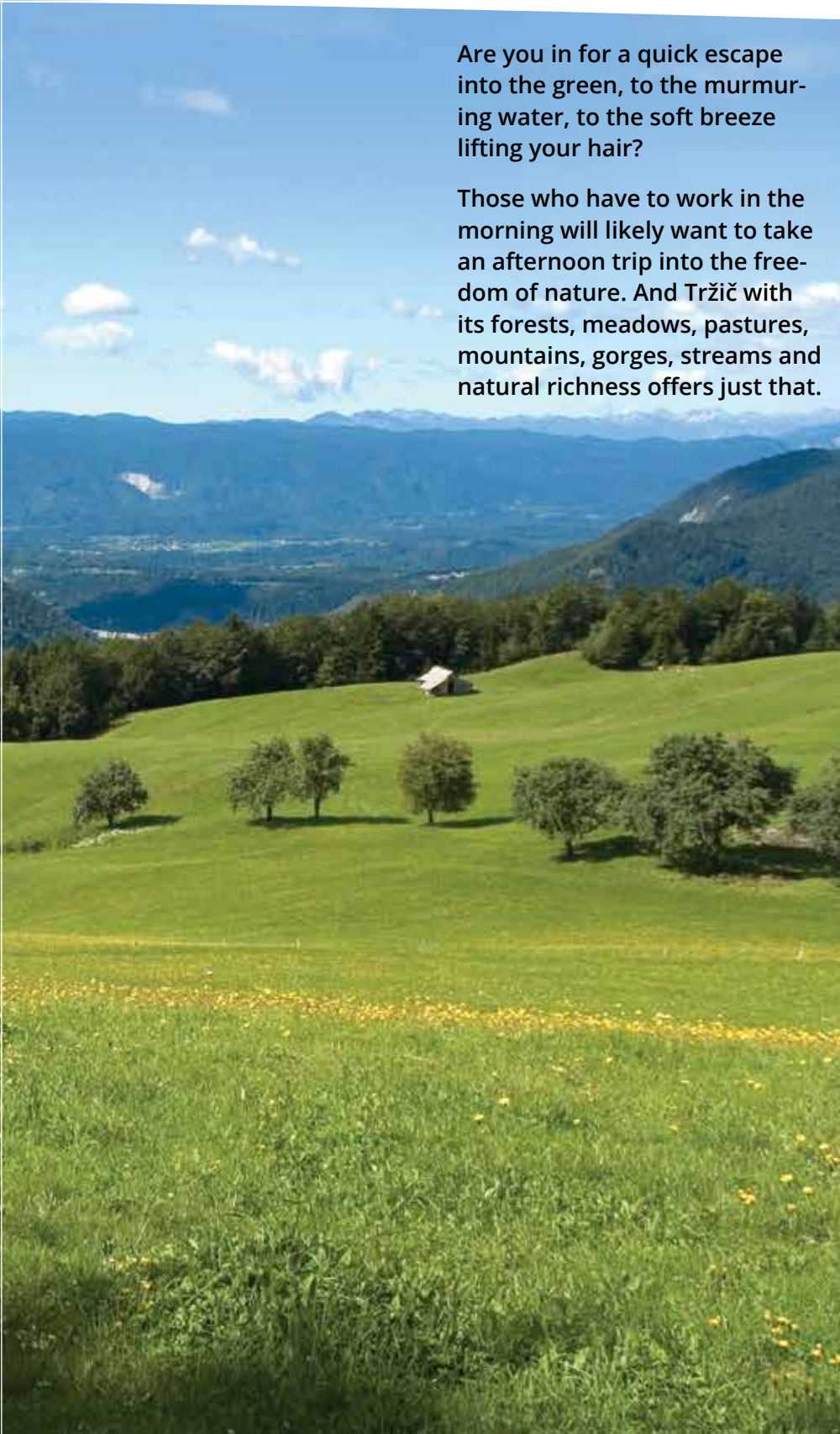
The culinary offer, in town as well as on tourist farms in the surrounding area, is particularly varied during traditional events.

**It's a sin to miss so many good things!**



# Forget about screens and follow your hearts

A quick escape into the green.



Are you in for a quick escape into the green, to the murmuring water, to the soft breeze lifting your hair?

Those who have to work in the morning will likely want to take an afternoon trip into the freedom of nature. And Tržič with its forests, meadows, pastures, mountains, gorges, streams and natural richness offers just that.

It has everything one needs: an easy path for a couple of hours long walk, steep slopes, amazing panoramic views, wild downhill descents or the silent contemplation of nature. But also the playful exploration of streams and their surroundings, the whispering of the trees and peaceful meditating walks.

The slopes of Tržič are the ideal starting point for paragliders and hang-gliders who catch tail winds here. Have you ever wished to fly like a mountain eagle? You don't need any prior knowledge with the expert pilots of the Kriška gora hang-gliding and paragliding club. They will safely take you high up in tandem. The most ambitious ones, however, can enrol in their hang-gliding school.

For more adrenaline, visit the first Slovenian adrenaline park in Podljubelj. Even though your inner voice of reason will tell that expert instructors have set up perfect safety measures, your heart will want to scream. You will only need sports footwear and comfortable clothes to tackle suspension bridges and stairs, hold your breath on the gigantic sew-saw, experience zip-line descents... For those who don't accept gravity there is the Dirt-park Divjina, a polygon for BMX bikes and mountain bikes. This adrenaline polygon is located in the settlement of Križe.

**What about skiing?** The nearest tour skiing polygon, from Ljubljana, is the one on Mt Zelenica. They say that here is where the best powdery snow is in the whole country. Regardless of the fact that the most successful Slovenian skiers hail from here, there is no point in disputing that.

**You just need to decide what are you going to do this afternoon.**

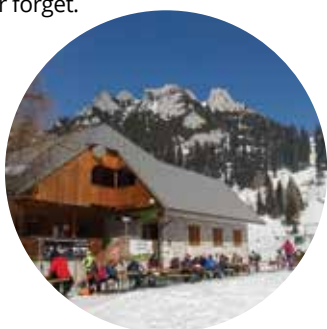


It is said that during winter Tržič has the best powdery snow in the country. Those who have tried it, know it. If you are an enthusiast of both mountaineering and skiing, then your heart will sing in Tržič. This is the kingdom of magnificent tour ski tracks – from the easy ones, meant for anybody, to the more demanding slopes that have a tinge of alpine skiing, to those which we enjoy at the first snow to the slow late-evening cutting through the countryside in the spring. There is room for everyone in Tržič.

The more expert ones head toward the natural ski slopes on numerous mountainsides of Mt Begunjščica, Košuta, Veliki Javornik. The ski polygon on Mt Zelenica, however, is suitable for making the first steps in tour skiing. Since ski tracks were available here until recently, it offers more safety that is so indispensable to beginners. The beauty and mightiness of its snowy plains, however, are in no way affected by it. After the fire, the mountain hut on Mt Zelenica was renovated and is today renowned for its mountaineering educational centre.

Half of the tour skiing is the winter hike up to the mountains, and here Tržič has much to offer. The most popular are the ascents from Mt Kofce to Mt Veliki vrh and to Mt Kladivo. The winter allure of Mt Tegoška gora, Košutnikov turn, Tolsta Košuta, Dobrča, Veliki Javornik and numerous others is known to many. The tours differ. They start with the first snow that enchants every year. Throughout the long winter you can enjoy the sunny snow-covered slopes and peaks and choose the paths according to your skills, experiences and preparedness. Less demanding paths are not far behind in terms of beauty.

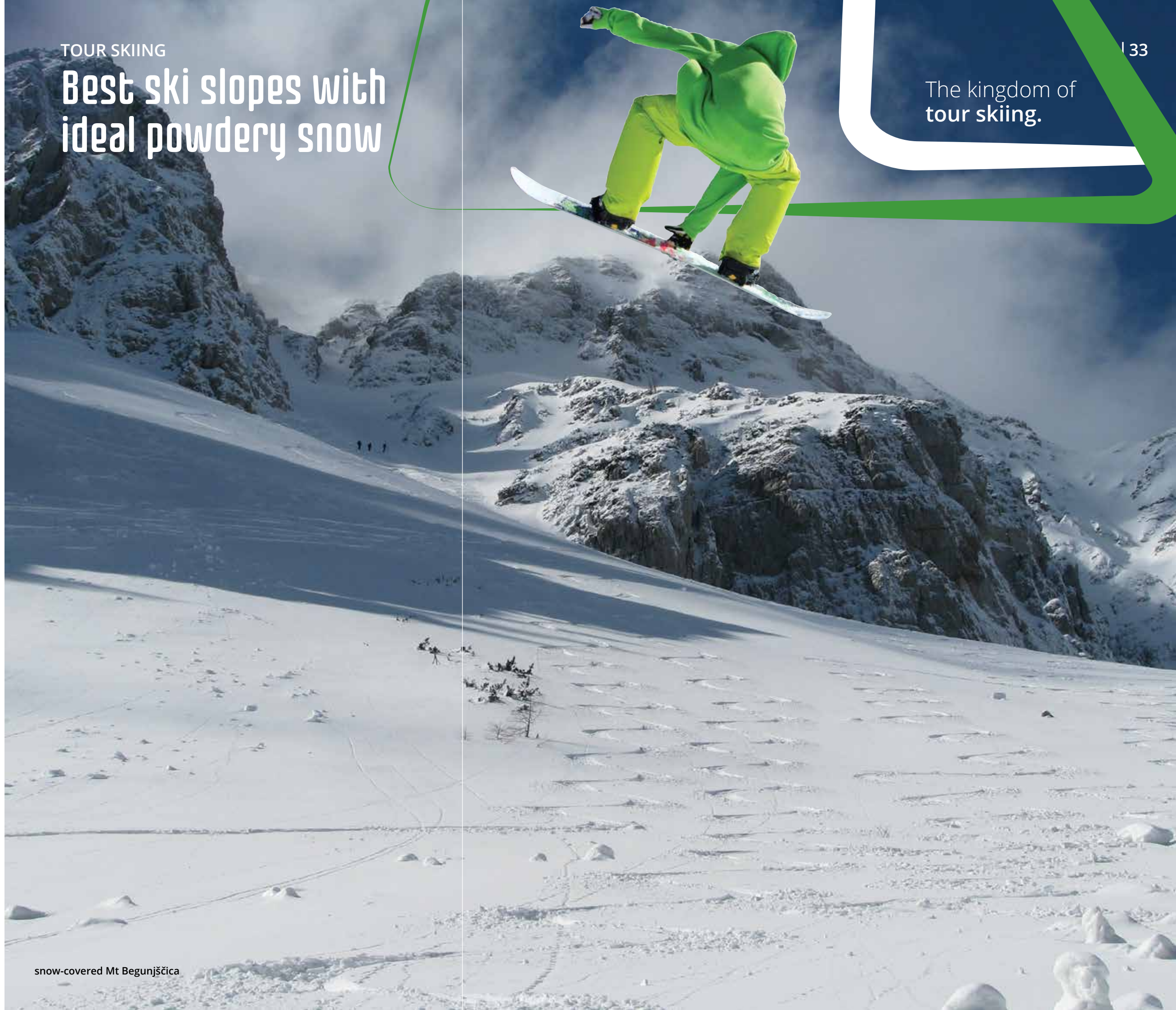
Tour skiing is one of the most rewarding mountain activity during winter. And skiing on the best Slovenian powdery snow on a crystal clear afternoon is something you never forget.



the mountaineering educational centre on Mt Zelenica

## TOUR SKIING

# Best ski slopes with ideal powdery snow



The kingdom of tour skiing.

snow-covered Mt Begunjščica



# It will take your breath away

There is no fear that you could remain indifferent in Tržič.

The jumps of the young ski jumpers at the Sebenje Ski Jumping Centre are breath-taking. Don't try it yourselves. Instead, glide in tandem above green fields, mighty forests and rocky summits or scream at the top of your lungs out of excitement, when you overcome obstacles in the first Slovenian Adrenaline Park in Ljubelj.

If skiers and ski jumpers have their centre in Sebenje, pleasure seekers on bicycles have their polygon just a stone's throw away. Dirtpark Divjina is a cycling polygon on which only the best test their skills in daredevil jumps, while the spectators cannot believe their eyes.

Is this possible? Anything is possible in Tržič.

hang-gliding  
and paragliding

first Slovenian  
adrenaline  
park

Dirtpark  
Divjina



Sebenje  
Ski Jumping  
Centre





# GORENJSKA PLAŽA A hot summer

When days become warmer and the sun fills us with its energy, our thoughts often wander to the carefree enjoyment of the summer days.

The "Gorenjska plaža" is a sophisticated pool complex offering recreation and relaxation in a pleasant natural environment, and with its view on the surrounding hills it is ideal for retreating from everyday hustle and bustle.

Additional relaxation and pleasure in water is provided by a **wild river and massage chairs** in semi-circles. The more sporty swimmers can use the 50-metres pool, while the little ones can try the smaller, round pool with a depth from 15 to 65 cm.

Kids' fun spreads from the pool to the "Fletnca" boat, anchored under the safe shelter of old larch trees.

A special experience is **evening bathing**, since the pool also provides underwater lighting. | 37

The pools are filled with natural drinking water, heated with solar panels. On average the water reaches 26°C.

The complex also includes an amphitheatre, intended for cultural and entertainment events.

Relaxation,  
recreation,  
fun and  
socialising.

Gorenjska plaža



event amphitheatre



hot summer



»Fletnca« boat



# There is something going on almost every day in the Tržič area



"The Cobblers' Sunday"



## Angel Sunday, "Šušarska nedelja"

**What are you missing out? More than 100 events a year.**

**The events are the livelihood of the entire town of Tržič and the surrounding area, for this reason you will come across a particularly varied culinary offer, in town as well as on tourist farms in the vicinity.**

Museums, galleries and many educational workshops are also open. There are numerous singing, dancing events, theatre plays and puppet shows and other cultural and art events as well as

photography, art and similar exhibitions. Same goes for numerous recreational events and other sporting events.

**You will feel the heartbeat of the largest and most visited event on the first Sunday in September – the "Šušarska nedelja".** The event's roots go back to the incredibly distant year of 1492, when Tržič got its trading rights. During that time, on the first Sunday in September, the shoemaker's apprentices received a certificate after passing a very demanding practical exam, stating that they completed the apprenticeship period and became assistants. What do you think followed? A fair and an all-around party.

**Whether you are experts or not, in May you will enjoy the incredible richness of colours and shapes at the Interna-**

**tional days of minerals, fossils and the environment (MINFOS).** A rich exhibition, sales and expert programme has been inviting thousands of visitors to Tržič for more than 40 years. An even longer tradition is held by the international old-timers race on Mt Ljubelj. We all enjoy watching scenes we are used seeing only in films. "Vuč v vodo" or throwing lamps into the water is a custom that is kept alive by children, but it once was the expression of happiness of shoemakers who could finally cease to work under the lamp in the spring. There are also the Festival of Roast Beefs of Tržič, the dance without boundaries on Ljubelj, "Vomnsk' poh" and many other, traditional or unique events.

**And another year is over. It's a sin to miss so many good things.**



EVENTS

# More than 100 events a year



MINFOS – International Days of Minerals, Fossils and Environment



Hrast Memorial



St. Gregory's day or "Vuč v vodo" event



Run on the streets of Tržič



Outdoor New Year's Eve party



Festival of Roast Beefs of Tržič



Dance without boundaries



# Panorama of Tržič with its surroundings







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