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SELŠKA VALLEY

*** SCHOOL TOURS**

*** HALF-DAY TOURS**

*** ALL DAY TOURS**

*** THE TWO DAY TOURS**

Invitation to the Selška valley

The Selška valley was once the home to iron industry, which left a mark on the town and the villages along the Selška Sora river. The blast furnace in Železniki for melting iron ore, which is one of a kind in Europe, is a testament to the past and is protected as a technical monument. The Selška valley also boasts a number of architect Plečnik's works. It is known for handicraft products, particularly bobbin lace and Dražgoše honey bread. In addition to a rich cultural history, the Selška valley also offers a number of sports and other free time activities. Beautiful towns and villages below Ratitovec invite you to visit them.



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Železniki Museum

Museum collections in Železniki are located in the ironworks building, called the Plavceva house, from the first half of the 17th century, which is located in the direct vicinity of the blast furnace in the old part of Železniki. The museum with scale models and exhibits depicts the history of the iron industry, ranging from digging, transporting and melting iron ore, processing crude iron in the iron foundry into semi-products, to the manufacturing of products in the nail forge called "vigenjc". The museum also displays accompanying activities, which have developed after the decline of the iron industry into independent activities: barrel-making, charcoal-burning, log sawing. The museum also houses a very interesting lacemaking collection, and you can also have a look at the collection on the town's contemporary history and the repaired paper clip making machine. In the ground floor of the museum you will find the Tourist Information Centre, where you can buy souvenirs, particularly bobbin laces from Železniki

Walking around the old part of Železniki

A walk around the old part of Železniki covers the areas Racovnik, Trnje and Na plavžu, the former market part of the town, which presents an interesting and rich ironworks heritage of the town. On your way you will pass the houses, where renowned people of Železniki were born or lived in, as well as two churches and a mine shaft. There is a magnificent Jegličeva house and a very interesting Eger's garden, where a villa with a bathroom and a fountain once stood. "Plnada" is the oldest house in the town and dates back to the 13th century and is called after ironworkers from Palmanova. There are also Špendalova, Bargeljnova, Bonceljnova and Plavčeva houses, all of which are amazing buildings that show the rich architectural heritage of Železniki. The walk ends at the blast furnace, the only preserved structure originating from the diverse iron industry history, the activity, which brought life to the town. The mighty blast furnace is the first Slovenian protected technical monument.

Dražgoše

Dražgoše, 6 kilometres from Železniki, is a village situated on south terraced slopes of Jelovica under Dražgoška gora. It is the sunniest village in the municipality of Železniki and it is the very position and a beautiful view of the Škofja Loka hills that attract numerous hikers to the village. It is known for the battle of Dražgoše, which took place in January 1942. As a memorial to the event a monument with an ossuary was erected in Dražgoše. The monument delivers a wonderful view of Železniki, the surrounding peaks and the highest peak of the Selška valley Ratitovec. In the log cabin "brunarica" there is a memorial room for the people who died in the World War II, and you can also have a look at some old farmer's equipment. The most known cottage industry in Dražgoše is the baking of honey pastries "dražgoški kruhek".

Davča

The village is situated on the west of the Škofja Loka hills, on the ridges between Porezen and Blegoš, at the altitude of between 800 and 1100 m. The dispersed settlement of about 70 inhabited houses or farms is scattered over the long valley of the Davščica brook and is known as the largest Slovenian village. An extremely diverse shape of the hilly landscape is owed to the Davščica brook, which has been corroding the slate surface of the landscape for millennia. The ravines and cliffs it hollowed out, particularly in Zala and Javorjev rob, give the newcomer a feeling of claustrophobia, but at the same time they serve as the portal to Davča. The village is full of natural splendours and panoramic views, footpaths, and there are also the very interesting Davča waterfalls. In the centre of Davča you can visit the ethnographic museum, dedicated to flax processing, and it is also possible to take part in a workshop organized on the topic.

Sorica

The mountain village Sorica is one of the most beautiful Slovenian villages. It is situated in the Selška valley and borders the Upper Gorenjska region (vicinity of Bohinj) and the Primorska region. In summer the village enjoys all the splendours of the breath-taking nature, and in winter the snowy landscape shines in all its glory, so it's no wonder that the almost dreamy image of Sorica served as the setting for a known Slovenian film Lucija. Sorica is most famous as the birth place of the painter Ivan Grohar. The Grohar's house has been renovated into a museum, but its doors are also widely open to many artistic activities, which bring people together. There is also the Grohar's memory collection, gallery and an ethnographic museum. Just a few kilometres above the village is the Soriška planina ski resort, ideal for snowing in the winter and climbing to nearby peaks in the summer.



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- **Swimming pool - Sports hall -**
- **Museum - Sports stadium**
- **Tennis court - Beach volleyball**
- **Tourist information center - Youth center**
- **Ice cream gardens and buffets**

(Buffets, events, weddings)
(Birthday parties for children)
(Sport, tennis, bowling, swimming)
(Guided tours, accommodation)

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