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Museum	Motel, hostel, dormitory	Public catering
Baznīca	Market place	Parking-lot
Nature trail	ATM	Sending and reception of e-mails
Hotel	Hospital, dispensary	Open-air stage

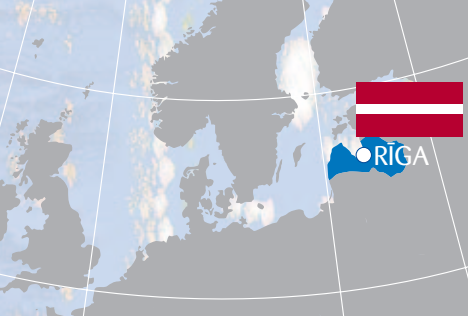


LIMBAŽI – a Hanseatic Town

The historical centre of Limbaži is unique with its planning or radial street network formed in 1385, after the town's defensive wall was built. Most of the buildings built during the second half of the 18th century are still preserved in the Old Town, which is also a home to 16 architectural, archaeological and art monuments.

Discovering the Old Town of Limbaži, we recommend that you visit:

1. Old Fire Brigade Depot – a good exemplar of the so-called brick style architecture. The tower is one of the town's dominant vertical features. Torņa iela 3, tel.: +371 64070608
2. Limbaži Museum - furnished in the Riga town council's new castle, an elegant classicism building built in the 1830s. Burtnieku iela 7, tel.: +371 64070632
3. Medieval Castle Ruins and Sightseeing Tower - in the Middle Ages, Limbaži was one of the capitals of Livonia because the residence of the Archbishop of Riga was located here. Burtnieku iela 7, tel.: +371 64070632
4. Wall paintings at the "Old Rathaus" - restored late Rococo style elements in the attic storey halls. Burtnieku iela 4, tel.: +371 64070632
5. Limbaži Evangelical Lutheran Church - witness to the so-called *Swedish era*, an early Baroque monument of national significance. Dailes iela 2, tel.: +371 29430665
6. Orthodox Church of the Enlightenment of Christ - built in 1903, the biggest church of its kind in Vidzeme. Klosterā iela 8, tel.: +371 64023538



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The Great Limbaži Lake

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THE GREAT LIMBAŽI LAKE

The Great Lake nature trail and lake shore have become a favourite recreation place for the Limbaži town inhabitants of different ages and interests.



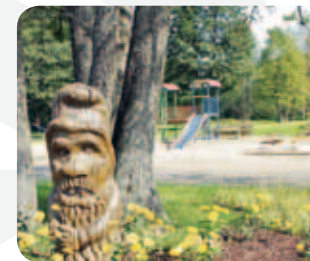
For sportsmen – the lake shore is a home to a rowing base, where medals are forged for European and World competitions in rowing and canoeing

For bird watchers – at the northern end of the lake, a bird observation tower has been built. From there, one can have a view on the mouth of the Donaviņa at the northern tip of the lake to catch sight of any one of the 99 species of birds. The most popular bird species inhabiting the lake are: the great reed warbler (*Acrocephalus arundinaceus*), the Eurasian coot (*Fulica atra*) and the common tern (*Sterna hirundo*), while those nesting on the lakeshore include the common snipe (*Gallinago gallinago*) and the marsh warbler (*Acrocephalus palustris*)



For fishermen – the most experienced fishermen know where to find the most rewarding fishing spots and are experts in the art of landing catches both in summer and winter. The most popular species of fish found in the Great Lake are: perch (*Perca fluviatilis*), roach (*Rutilus rutilus*), pike perch (*Stizostedion lucioperca*) and pike (*Esox lucius*). For information about licences - please contact the municipal agency "ALDA", tel.: +371 26142812

For photo hunters – misty mornings, birds among the lake shore reeds, a thunderstorm over the lake - all this and more at each photo momentum



For active leisure lovers – a swimming place and beach volleyball courts. The 4.6 km long lake can be explored in more detail by renting a paddle boat or boat

For walking – a 3.6 kilometre long nature trail – along which a wooden plank-way alternates with a gravel path – is also suitable for Nordic walking and for skiing in winter

For younger visitors – there is a kids' swimming area, enclosed by a safety pontoon. During the breaks from the fun in the water, they can play on the sandy shore, building castles or choosing a fun activity of their liking at the playground