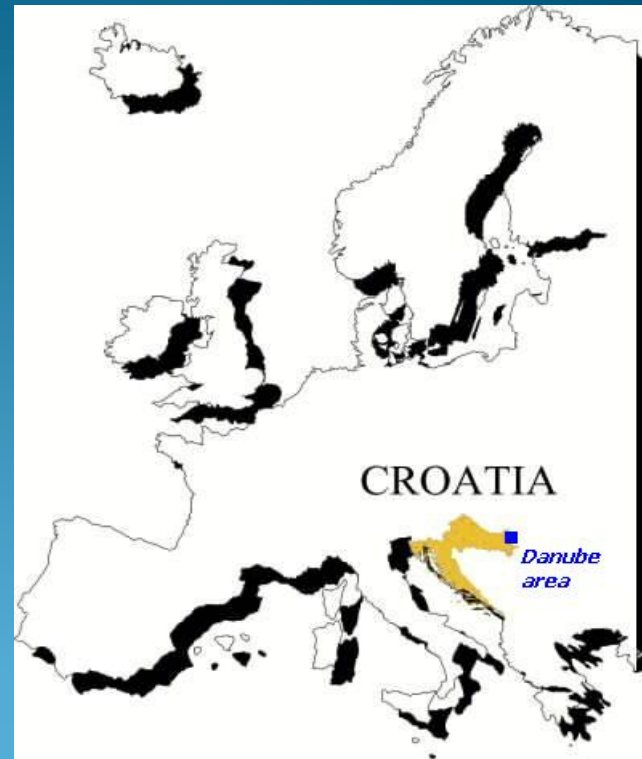


The Danube in CROATIA

Hiking, history and nature in Slavonia



Danube HISTORY

- Danube passes NE Croatia, bordering Hungary and Serbia. Danube in Croatia is about 140km
- Region historically known as Slavonia, two counties at the Danube: Osijek-Baranya and Vukovar-Srijem (Syrmium)
- Former war area but today free and friendly; growing in rural development and tourism
- Many tourism act only beginning



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DanubeSIGHTS

- Danube-Drava national park 'Kopački Rit', one of the largest wetlands in Europe
- Wine routes and vineyards of Baranja and Ilok (+gastronomy)
- Interesting towns and villages: Osijek, Vukovar, Ilok, Vinkovci, Batina, Zmajevac, Bilje, Aljmaš, Karanac



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- Castles in Tikveš, Vukovar and Ilok
- Old town centres and fortress of Osijek and Ilok
- Museums in Osijek, Vukovar, Vinkovci and Ilok
- Vukovar War memorial sights
- Worldwide important archaeological places of 'Vučedol' and 'Orion' (new modern archeo museum opening soon)



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- Water tower in Vukovar as monument of the last war



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- Archaeological site and museum 'Vučedol' (soon opening) on the bank of the Danube
- Recreational complex on river bank in Ilok

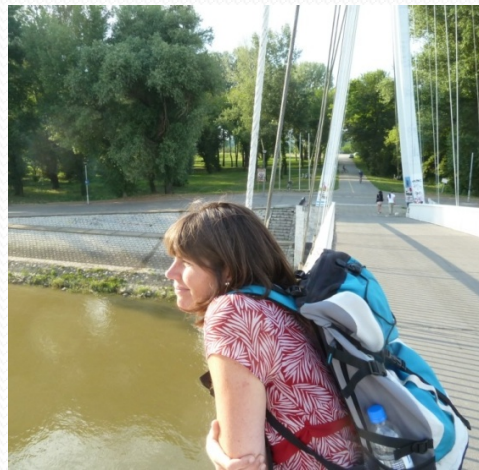


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- Sultans trail, a new historic long distance hiking trail from Vienna to Istanbul
- Follows the Danube in Austria, Slovakia, Hungary, Croatia and Serbia.
- A Dutch initiative, run by volunteers
- The Croatian part is organised with support of the Croatian Tourist Board, local organisations and volunteers



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- Sultans trail Croatia, from Draž to Ilok
- About 150 km (7 days walking)
- Sultans trail in Croatia is signposted with stickers and spraypaint,



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DanubeSIGHTS-Sultans trail

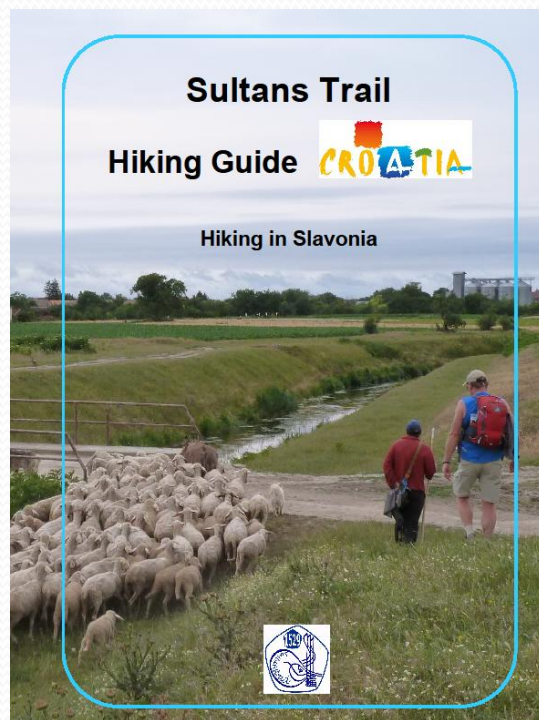
- World wonder: the 8 km long Suleyman bridge built in 8 days (Osijek) by the Ottoman empire
- Monuments in Osijek, like foundation of a mosque
- Ottoman ruins in Ilok, like hamam or Turkish bath house





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- Sultans trail guidebook Croatia (with background info, photos and maps)
- In English and Dutch
- Order via kyrakuiterter@hotmail.com



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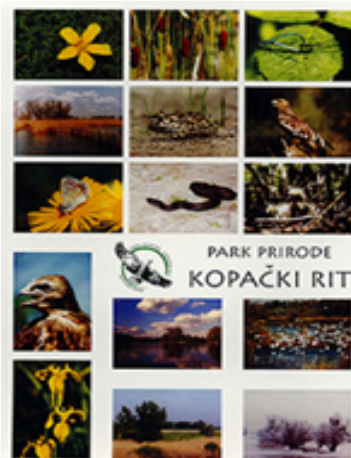
DanubeCuisine

- Rich vineyards and agricultural area
- Delicious and authentic gastronomy: wine and brandy, kulen (special sausage), fish paprikash & other river fish meals, čvarci, sweets...



DanubeNATURE

- National nature park 'Kopački Rit' (Danube-Drava), one of the largest wetlands in Europe. About 260 protected birds and other flora & fauna. Great for birdwatchers, hiking, cycling, boat tours, etc.
- Spačva river nature area in Nijemci village; sightseeing by boat
- Other attractive landscapes and viewing points along river



ACCESS & ACCOMMODATION

- Region easy accessible by car, train, bus and airport (Osijek)
- Further transport by local bus, tourist boats or city tourist train, and of course by foot and bike
- Accommodation facilities:
 - 15 hotels, tourist settlements, villas and similiar (3-4*)
 - 3 hostels, also lot of private (family) rooms
- Prices range from € 15-65 (BB)



DanubePACKAGES

- Dutch touroperator „Natuurlijke Reizen“ offers package tour in Slavonia: ‘Hiking in the footsteps of the Sultan’
- Five days hiking on nicest parts of Sultans trail, including accommodation, luggage transport, wine tasting, visit Nature Park and city tour. www.natuurlijkcreizen.com
- More tour info & suggestions at local tourist boards:

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