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Hiking, learning and cycling trails

1 **Valga/Valka-Ape "Green Railway"** (~55km)
On former Valga/Valka-Ape narrow-gauge railway path. Start: Valga city Railway Station, Valka city or suitable section all over the trail of your own choice.
Info: Green Railway hiking trail and detours are marked. On the trail there are several information boards, pictures about narrow-gauge railway history, resting point in Hargla village (look point nr 25 under "CAMPING SITES, LOG-FIRE SITES" topic). Best time for hiking is between May and September.

2 **Karula cycling trail** (50 km) RMK
In the forests near the rivers Mustjõgi and Koiva, amidst the rolling landscape of Taheva and Karula region, Valga county. Start: at the bottom of Tellingumäe hill, on the cycling trail campfire site. Parking: at the trail starting point. Info: the trail passes several campfire sites and Oore camping area on the shore of Aheru lake

3 **Mõniste cycling trail** (55 km) RMK
The cycling trail goes through the near-border forests to the southernmost point of Estonia, and back along the other way to the starting point. Start: at the bottom of Tellingumäe hill, on the cycling trails campfire site. Parking: at the trail starting point.

4 **Koiva Cycling Trail** (20 km) RMK
In the vicinity of the rivers Koiva and Mustjõgi. Start: at the bottom of Tellingumäe hill, on the cycling trail campfire site. Parking: at the trail starting point. Info: near the objects, the trail is equipped with the information boards in Estonian, Latvian and English.

5 **Estonian–Latvian Joined Trail of Cultural Heritage** RMK
(60 km) in Koiva and Mustjõgi region. Start: at the bottom of Tellingumäe hill, on the cycling trail campfire site. Parking: at the trail starting point. Info: Near the objects, the trail is equipped with the information boards in Estonian, Latvian and English. Near the objects, the trail has marked with red coloured signs on the trail signposts.

6 **Koiva Cultural Heritage Hiking Trail** (2 km) RMK
in Koiva and Mustjõgi region. Algus: Tellingumäe at the bottom of Tellingumäe hill, on the cycling trail campfire site. Parking: at the trail starting point. Info: Near the objects the trail is marked with blue coloured signs on the trail signposts.

7 **Rebasä Landscape Trail** (7 km) RMK
Rebasemõisa village, Valga parish, Valga county. Start: Rebasemõisa. Parking: the parking area of the Rebasemõisa observation tower. Info: There are 16 information boards, piers and pasture gates along the trail. The trail is marked with wooden arrow signs and red coloured signs on trees. The pasture border may be under electricity. The observation tower is dilapidated and dangerous. Therefore it is closed for visiting. We apologize!

8 **RMK Peraküla–Aegviidu–Ähijärve hiking route / Pähni–Ähijärve section** (103 km) RMK
The hiking trail is in Rõuge and Antsla municipalities in Võru county and Valga municipality in Valga county. Park & start: at Pähni Nature Centre, or at Ähijärve near the visitor centre of Karula National Park. Info: the trail is signposted and marked with white-green-white paint marks on trees.

9 **Karula Short Cycling Trail** (15 km) RMK
Ähijärve village, Antsla parish Võru county. Park & start: at the guest centre of Karula National Park. Info: The trail runs in a circular pattern and is marked by tin signs.

10 **Karula Long Cycling Trail** (38 km) RMK
Ähijärve village, Antsla parish Võru county
Park & start: at the guest centre of Karula National Park. Info: The trail runs in a circular pattern and is marked by tin signs.

11 **Karula Long Hiking Trail** (36 km) RMK
Ähijärve village, Antsla parish Võru county. Park & start: at the guest centre of Karula National Park. Info: The trail runs in a circular pattern and is marked by yellow coloured signs on the trees and with tin signs near bigger roads.

12 **Ähijärve roads and paths trail** (4 km) RMK
Ähijärve village, Antsla parish Võru county. Park & start: at the guest centre of Karula National Park. Info: trail starts at the guest centre of Karula National Park and goes along Ähijärve shore and the old farm road. The trail is equipped with 15 information boards, 2 plank road sections. The trail is marked with wooden signs and red coloured marks on trees.

13 **Nature trail for children** (0,5 km) RMK
Ähijärve village, Antsla parish Võru county
Park & start: at the guest centre of Karula National Park. Info: There is a slide, watchtower, swings, sandbox, giant stride on the trail. The trail introduces erratic boulders and rocks, the difference between coniferous and deciduous trees, the most common bird species in the area, soil characteristics and traces of mammal's activity. Activity sheets available at the information point help children to acquire the information. The trail is marked with wooden signs.

14 **Peräjärve forest trail** (4 km) RMK
Ähijärve village, Antsla parish Võru county. Park & start: at Peräjärve campfire site parking space. Info: There are 17 information boards along the trail. The trail is marked with wooden signs and red coloured marks on trees.

15 **Learning and hiking trail of the most southest point of Estonia** (4,8 km)
Vastse-Roosa village, Rõuge parish, Võru County. Start: under a big oak tree near the Naha farm house. Parking: Near Naha farm house. In the wel season the access to the starting point is difficult by car. Info: There are several information boards along the trail, forest cabin and the most southest point of Estonia. The trail is marked with red coloured signs.

Camping sites, campfire sites

1 **Mõniste Talurahvamuuseum**
www.monistemuuseum.ee, tel: +372 525 7027 and +372 5622 7650. Extras: Sauna, opportunity to wash and to dry clothes, camping site and accomodation, kitchen corner, meeting rooms, shop.

2 **RMK Kõrgeperve campfire site** RMK
Near the river Koiva, up to 4 tents, parking, bench-table-shelter, dry toilet, info board.

3 **RMK Laagriplatsi campfire site** RMK
Near the river Koiva, up to 4 tents, parking, bench-table, dry toilet available.

4 **RMK Tellingumäe campfire site** RMK
In Tellingumäe, up to 10 tents, parking, bench-table-shelter, dry toilets, info board.

5 **RMK Bike Trails campfire site** RMK
At the bottom of Tellingumäe hill, up to 10 tents, parking, bench-table-shelter, dry toilets, info board.

6 **RMK Alumati campfire site** RMK
On shore of Alumati lake, up to 2 tents, parking next to the road, dry toilet, info board.

7 **RMK Linnajärve campfire site** RMK
On shore of Linnajärve lake, up to 2 tents, parking next to the campfire site, toilet, info board.

8 **RMK Oore camping site** RMK
On shore of Aheru lake, up to 40 tents, parking on the camping site, forest huts with 12 bunk-bed places, 4 dry toilets, 7 campfire places with tables and benches. Free.

9 **RMK Kivi forest hut** RMK
On the border of Karula National Park, at the Hargla–Koobassaare road, for up to 10 tents, parking not far from the forest hut, bench-table-shelter, dry toilet, info board. Forest Hut is an old barn with bunk beds and without heating system. Free.

10 **RMK Karula Pikkjärve campfire sites**
On shore of Karula Pikkjärve lake, up to 3 tents, parking, dry toilet, info board.

11 **RMK Kogrejärve campfire site** RMK
On shore of Kogrejärve lake, up to 3 tents, parking, benches, dry toilet, info board.

12 **RMK Rebasemõisa campfire site** RMK
In Rebasemõisa village, up to 10 tents, parking, benches, dry toilet, info board.

RMK **RMK Pähni Visitor Centre**
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RMK **RMK Karula Information Point**
+372 501 9564

13 **RMK Õdri campfire site I** RMK
On shore of Õdri lake, up to 4 tents, parking place not far from the site, info board, benches, dry toilet, shed.

14 **RMK Õdri campfire site II** RMK
On shore of Õdri lake, parking, info boards, bench-table-shelter, changing cabin, dry toilet, staircase.

15 **RMK Alakonnu campfire site** RMK
On shore of Ähijärve lake, up to 6 tents, parking, info board, dry toilet, bench-table-shelter.

16 **RMK Veski campfire site** RMK
On shore of Ähijärve lake, up to 2 tents, limited parking space, info board, bench-table-shelter, dry toilet.

17 **RMK Suuremäe camping site** RMK
In the guest centre of Karula National Park, up to 50 tents, parking, information board, 2 toilets, outdoor shower with clean drinking water, bench-table-shelter, sheds, light-posts with sockets, info board.

18 **RMK Ähijärve campfire site** RMK
On shore of Ähijärve lake, not far from Karula National Park, bench-table-shelter, singing stage, outdoor lighting.

19 **RMK Ähijärve resting place** RMK
In the yard of Karula National Park guest centre, bench-table-shelter, dry toilet, outdoor shower with clean drinking water.

20 **RMK Plaagi campfire site** RMK
On the western shore of Ähijärve lake, up to 5 tents, restricted access, parking, info board, dry toilet, benches.

21 **RMK Perajärve campfire site** RMK
3 km to the south of Karula National Park centre, parking, info board, dry toilet, benches.

22 **RMK Ubajärve campfire site** RMK
On the eastern shore of Ubajärve lake, up to 5 tents, parking, info board, toilet, shed, benches.

23 **Lõunatipu campfire site** RMK
Restricted access — only by foot, camping site, up to 2 tents, fire-log ground, info board, forest hut, dry toilet.

24 **Metsavenna campfire site** RMK
In Vastse-Roosa village, up to 5 tents, parking in the vicinity to the campfire site. Benches, dry toilet. Fire ground is located on the private land, so, please respect the land owners. Fire ground is provided, first of all, as a stop for hikers who move along RMK Peraküla–Aegviidu–Ähijärve hiking trail.

25 **Green Railway resting point**
In Hargla Village, behind Hargla Country House of Culture , up to 4 tents, fire-log ground, table-benches, toilet.

Accommodation, active holiday

1 **Kaldavere Tourism Farm**
www.kaldavere.ee, tel: +372 5303 0150
Meals: pre-order, kitchen available. Beds: 40. Extras: disc golf, ball pitches, board games, petanque, paintball (up to 14 persons), swimming, pedalo ride, zip wire, skyrunners, archery, arrow games, hire of sumo costumes, sledging, snowtubing, snowboarding. Sauna, barrel sauna, grill shed.

2 **Nakatu Tourism Farm**
www.nakatu.ee, tel: +372 513 4024
Meals: pre-order. Beds: in summer up to 100. Extras: celebrations, weddings, summer days, canoe trips.

3 **Hüti Conference Farm**
www.hyti.eu, tel: +372 512 2830. Meals: pre-order. Beds: 12+. Extras: horse-riding, archery, camping.

4 **Forest Brother's Tourism Farm**
www.metsavennatalu.ee, tel: +372 523 0850
Meals: pre-order. Extras: kayaks, in winter — sledging and snowtubing, mountain with chairlift, skiing trails, camping.

5 **Karula–Lüllemäe Tervise- ja Spordikeskus**
www.karulatsk.ee, tel: +372 5345 6006. Meals: pre-order, kitchen available. Beds: 35+10. Extras: sport fields, archery, adventure trail, hiking trails, health trail, skiing trails, snowtubing, mountain skiing, sauna, rent of sport equipment.

6 **Saaresalu Summer House**
www.kotus.ee/saaresalu, tel: +372 509 4694.
Meals: kitchen available. Beds: 10. Extras: sauna, grillshed, pets allowed.

7 **Järvenukka Rest House**
Tel: +372 523 2066. Meals: kitchen available. Beds: 8. Extras: sauna, swimming place, campfire site, grill, boat, pets allowed, cash only.

8 **Sette Tourism Farm**
facebook.com/settetalu, tel: +372 520 1233 (accommodation); +372 5620 9257 (canoeing).
Meals: outside kitchen corner and grill shed available. Beds: accommodation in campsites, 32 sleeping places. Extras: canoe trips, sauna, barrel sauna.

9 **Vahi Tourism Farm**
Tel: +372 517 7001. Meals: kitchen corner available; pre-order campfire food, picnic basket and/or breakfast. Beds: 8 (3 in glamping, 2 in sauna house, 2 in summer house). Extras: sauna, grill, campfire site, hiking in the nature, pets allowed, paying in cash or by card.

Landmarks, sightseeing

1 **Alaveski Animal Park**
Alaveski Farm, Saru village, Rõuge parish, Võru County
Tel: +372 5661 0355

2 **Mõniste Folk Farm Museum**
Kuutsi village, Rõuge parish, Võru county. Tel: +372 525 7027 and +372 5622 7650. www.monistemuuseum.ee.

3 **Ööbiku Herbs Farm**
Ööbiku pk-1, Tsirgumäe village, Valga parish, Valga county
www.taimetee.ee. Tel: +372 529 5578. Visit is possible with a prior notice, excursions to the farm herb field, you can buy farm products in-situ: tea blends, snacks, dry herbs.

4 **Kõrgeperve**
At the river Koiva, Laanemetsa village, Valga parish, Valga county

5 **Southernmost Point of Estonia**
Naha, Rõuge parish, Võru county

6 **Karula Information Point** RMK
Ähijärve village, Antsla parish, Võru county. Tel: +372 782 8350
Open: 15.05–15.09 Mon–Sun 10.00–18.00; 16.09–14.05 Wed–Fri 10.00–16.00 or with prior notice Mon–Fri 9.00–17.00
At the information point, the materials are available concerning the Estonian resting areas, national parks and conservation areas. Besides, you can ask for information about objects of interest in the region, possibilities of moving around in the nature, accommodation and dining places, other RMK regions.

7 **Tellingumäe Watchtower**
Tellingumäe, Valga parish, Valga county. Tower: wooden, 24m high. Parking: on the bike trail campfire site or campfire site in Tellingumäe.

8 **National Geographic Yellow Window**
Tellingumäe, Valga parish, Valga county

9 **„Estonian home" Memorial**
Hüti village, Rõuge parish, Võru county

10 **Hargla Church**
Hargla village, Valga parish, Valga county

11 **Laanemetsa Peter-and-Paul's Church**
Laanemetsa village, Valga parish, Valga county

12 **Mõniste–Ritsiku John the Baptist's Church**
Varstu, Rõuge parish, Võru county

13 **Karula Church of Protection of the Holy Mother of God**
Pikkjärve village, Valga parish, Valga county

14 **Kaika Holy Trinity Church**
Kaika village, Antsla parish, Võru county

15 **Taheva Mansion**
Tsirgumäe village, Valga parish, Valga county

16 **Kaagjärve–Mäemõisa Mansion**
Kaagjärve village, Valga parish, Valga county
Tel: +372 5628 8141. The most beautiful rose garden in South Estonia. Coffee, cake and ice cream every day. Accommodation for up to 35 people, banquet hall for up to 100 people – birthdays, trainings, seminars, concerts, weddings. Catering on pre-order. Excursion in the mansion and park. Sporting opportunities, bicycle rental (10 pcs).

17 **Kaagjärve–Alamõisa Mansion**
Kaagjärve village, Valga parish, Valga county

18 **Valgemägi**
Hargla village, Valga parish, Valga county

19 **Juku–Peedu trails of Orientation Club**
www.jukupeedu.ee/pysirajad

20 **Karula Maarja (St Mary's) Church**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county

21 **National Geographic Yellow Window**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county
Open until 2020 June.

22 **Lüllemäe Folk Lesson Centre**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county
www.opistu.net.ee. Tel: +372 5330 1511
Handicraft that makes your eyes shine and soul rings – different workshops on pre-order from Lüllemäe Folk Lesson Centre (pottery, ceramics, jewelry, felting etc).

23 **NGO Karula Muinsuskaitse Selts Museum Room**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county
Tel: +372 521 6386 Open on Fridays 10.00 — 15.00. You can get to know the history of the former parish Karula. Opportunity to use guide and visit museum room on other days with a prior notice.

24 **NGO Filmi Vargamäe**
Vastse-Roosa village, Rõuge parish, Võru county.
www.filmivargamae.ee
Tel: +372 502 9724.
The Visitor Center is open from May 15 to September 15 at 10–17; 15.05–30.06 and 16.08–15.09 Thu–Sun; 01.07–15.08 Mon–Sun.
You can visit the Estonian movie "Truth and Justice" movie set. The Center is unique because one part is an authentic Estonian farm complex while the other part of it belongs to movie world. Pre-order guided tours, nature, heritage and experience programs that can also be booked outside the center's opening hours.

RMK **RMK Pähni Visitor Centre**
Pähni village, Rõuge parish, Võru county
Tel: +372 501 9564. Opening times: June 15 to August 31 every day at 11–18; September 1 to June 14 Wed–Fri 11–16 or outside the opening hours with a prior notice. Forest megaphones, educational study paths and vents, forest museum, exhibitions.

Shops, services

1 **Metsavenna Shop** — Metsavenna Farm
Vastse-Roosa village, Rõuge parish, Võru county.
Local food — local cheese and eco milk in packages, Metsavenna Farm souvenirs, handicraft, French and Italy high-quality cheese, local products, information kiosk and Internet access.

2 **Mõniste Folk Farm Museum** — a shop inspired by the 1930s — Kuutsi village, Rõuge parish, Võru county.
Tel: +372 525 7027 and +372 5622 7650.
Sweets, soft drinks, ice-cream, souvenirs, books.
www.monistemuuseum.ee.

3 **COOP Mõniste Shop**
Mõniste village, Rõuge parish, Võru county
Tel: +372 5193 7035. Cash withdrawal available.

4 **OÜ Esperance Saru Shop**
Saru village, Rõuge parish, Võru county
Tel: +372 789 0636

5 **Nodimäe Shop**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county
Tel: +372 502 3853

6 **OÜ Esperance Hargla Shop**
Hargla village, Valga parish, Valga county
Tel: +372 769 8737

7 **OÜ Esperance Koikküla Shop**
Koikküla village, Valga parish, Valga county
Tel: +372 769 8543

8 **Farm Restaurant "Kolme Sõsara Hõrgutised"**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county
Tel: +372 5656 0504. Food made from local ingredients. Open by pre-order.

Education, culture

1 **Lüllemäe Basic School Kindergarten group in Kaagjärve**
Kaagjärve village, Valga parish, Valga county

2 **Kaagjärve Library**
Kaagjärve village, Valga parish, Valga county

3 **Lüllemäe Basic School**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county

4 **Lüllemäe Basic School Kindergarten group in Lüllemäe**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county

5 **Lüllemäe House of Culture**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county

6 **Karula Open Youth Centre**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county

7 **Lüllemäe Library**
Lüllemäe village, Valga parish, Valga county

8 **Mõniste Open Youth Centre**
Mõniste village, Rõuge parish, Võru county

9 **Mõniste Library**
Mõniste village, Rõuge parish, Võru county

10 **Mõniste School**
Kuutsi village, Rõuge parish, Võru county

11 **Mõniste School Kindergarten**
Kuutsi village, Rõuge parish, Võru county

12 **Mõniste Folk House**
Kuutsi village, Rõuge parish, Võru county

13 **Kuutsi Library**
Kuutsi village, Rõuge parish, Võru county

14 **Hargla School**
Hargla village, Valga parish, Valga county

15 **Hargla Country House of Culture**
Hargla village, Valga parish, Valga county

16 **Taheva Open Youth Centre**
Hargla village, Valga parish, Valga county

17 **Hargla Library**
Hargla village, Valga parish, Valga county

18 **Hargla School Kindergarten**
Hargla village, Valga parish, Valga county

19 **Koikküla Library**
Koikküla village, Valga parish, Valga county

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A MAP OF KOTUS REGION

Taheva, Karula and Mõniste region
in Southern Estonia —
in Valga and Võru counties

stunning pine forests
ancient Koiva
secluded forest lakes
Karula National Park
the southernmost point of Estonia
winding rivers
fabulous views
unexplored forest trails

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Free-range calves

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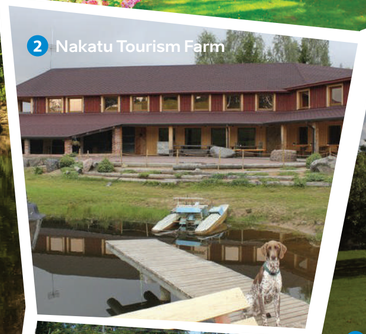
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Gym amidst the nature

Stunning pine forests

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Enthralling floods

8 Sette Tourism Farm

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SOME WORDS ABOUT KOTUS REGION

The KOTUS cooperation network unites entrepreneurs, nonprofit organisations and the community core group in Southern Estonia, who live in Taheva and Karula region in Valga county, and in Mõniste, Antsla and Ähijärve region in Võru county. The KOTUS network collects and provides information both for the locals and visitors.

The homepage www.kotus.ee offers more detailed information about tourist packages, places to visit, sightseeings, camping and trekking facilities, as well as regional news, events and members of the KOTUS cooperation network.

Should you need some additional information about the KOTUS region or tourist packages, contact us:

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nature's gifts, enthralling floods
smoke saunas
free-range sheep and calves
trees with in-carved crosses – full of memories
unique Võro county aura
fascinating meadows, picturesque vaults
rare bird species
unexpected meetings in the forest
blazing spindles, healthy herbs
home-made food
gym amidst the nature
species-rich rivers

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