

## SENNÉ PONDS

Senianske Ponds is a protected bird area and one of the most important bird locations in Central Europe. The area consisting of a network of lakes, meadows, and wetlands features an educational trail with watchtowers along the educational route. Some of the ponds offer for tourists fishing opportunities.



## JOVSIANSKA HRABINA

Typical feature of this National nature reserve is appearance of protected plants in hornbeam forest, above all Carpathian spring snowflake. The snowflakes have the most suitable ecological conditions here. The highest degree of protection is valid there, picking flowers is strictly forbidden.



## BEŇATINA TRARENTINE

Beňatina Travertine is a natural site in the landscape protected area of Vihorlat. Located at the foothills of the Beskid Mountains in the Ublanska Pahorkatina Hills, the site has been declared a national nature reserve as the easternmost travertine in Slovakia with the occurrence of shellfish fossils.



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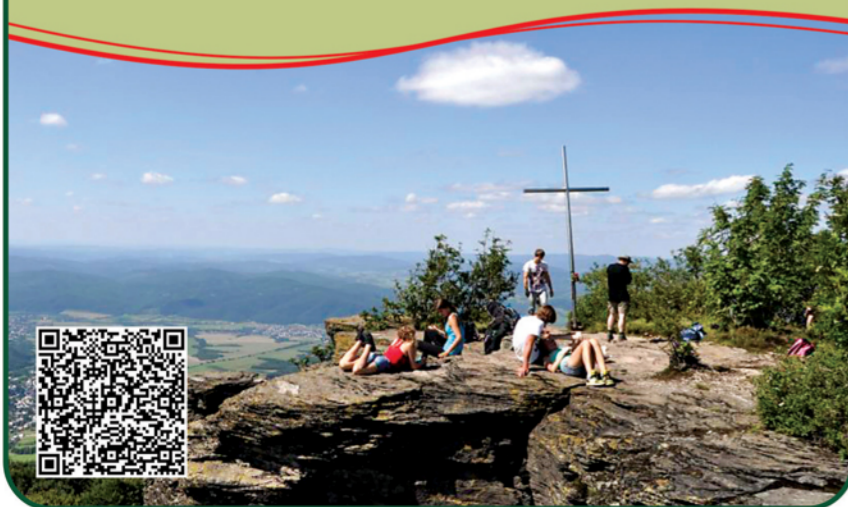
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Surrounded by beautiful countryside, the inhabitants of Michalovce and its visitors have in plain sight flowering meadows, golden vast stretches of cereals as far as an eye can see from every angle of our lowland. Zemplínska Širava - "the Slovak Sea" lures to seek harmony and rest on its beaches. So does Viné Lake situated under the ruins of a castle bearing the same name and proudly towering over it. Impressive beauty is unfolded by the lake of Morské Oko showing a colour changing palette in every season under the Vihorlat Hills. Every morning is welcomed by the birds nesting in the Bird Paradise.

## SNINSKÝ KAMEŇ

Sninský kameň peak is considered the most beautiful natural attraction of the Vihorlat mountains. It is an outstanding morphological ridge with two platforms. There is beautiful view of town Snina and main ridge of Vihorlat, as well as Morské oko, border ridge Popričné and the Eastern lowland.



## LATORICA RIVER

Wetlands, water and swamp communities flooded area of river Latorica with a tangle of dead branches, and sand dunes. One of eleven small protected areas is called Taiba - it is an isolated dead arm of river Bodrog, a unique place with occurrence of rare Emys orbicularis turtle.



## MOUNT VIHORLAT

Mount Vihorlat is the highest peak (1076 metres above sea level) of the eastern Slovakian volcanic mountain range called the Vihorlat Mountains. It belongs to beautiful and precious natural spots. Mount Vihorlat is a favourite tourist destination popular for group climbing organized on regular bases, as well as practising hang-gliding.



## NÁMESTIE OSLOBODITEĽOV SQUARE

The main street originated from the medieval Nemecká Street. There can be found buildings from the 19<sup>th</sup>, and from the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, from the period between the world wars, Socialist era, as well as modern buildings.



## NÁMESTIE SLOBODY SQUARE

Another square of Michalovce with a small park forming its part is from the West side enclosed by a high-rise office block - one of the town's dominant features. This public open space changed its aspect after a complex reconstruction when an attractive pavement Rainbow Fountain and a Giant Chessboard were added.



## RAINBOW FOUNTAIN

During a complex reconstruction of Námestie Slobody square, a fountain originally forming its part was replaced by a pavement fountain. Rainbow Fountain, with alternating colour lighting and landscaped surroundings with benches, eventually became a popular relaxing spot for the elderly, as well as young families with children.



## TOWN PARKS

Kerta Park features a rare tree species - a 25-meter high and approximately 370 years old English oak. Revitalization of Chestnut Park included the rescue of the precious horse chestnut tree species. Peace Park is the central town park with Saint Mary of the Rosary Chapel situated in its centre.



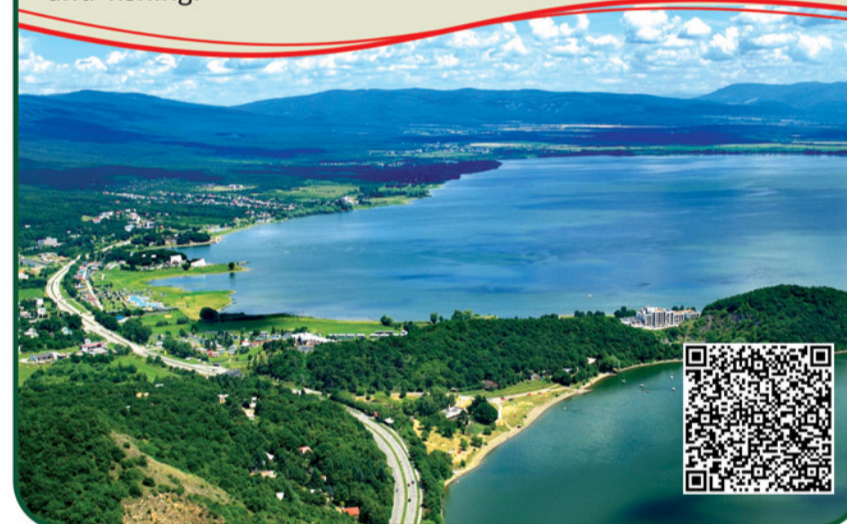
## SMALL LAKE OF BAŇA

A small lake - which the local people call "Baňa" - is situated in the calm residential area of family houses called Strážany. It is a favourite destination for walks, fishing, and ice-skating. In the recent years its surroundings have been renovated by the installation of new benches, as well as other landscaping elements.



## ZEMPLÍNSKA ŠÍRAVA LAKE

Zemplínska Šírava is the second largest water reservoir in Slovakia and the 12<sup>th</sup> in size within Europe. This reservoir was built in the 1960s. Nowadays Šírava is a favourite tourist destination with various recreational resorts located on its banks. The reservoir is used for bathing, water sports, and fishing.



## VINNÉ LAKE

Vinné Lake is a beautiful holiday resort situated near town Michalovce. In addition to swimming or sailing the lake also offers fishing opportunities. The lake surroundings are ideal for walking and hiking. Natural lake area is relatively small and is characterized by pleasant warm water.



## THERMAL PARK ŠÍRAVA

A modern Thermal Park is constructed on the banks of Zemplínska Šírava. The Water world consists of three main swimming pools: a wave pool and swimming pool, a relaxation pool, a massage pool, and a pools for children. The complex also features a spa centre with numerous saunas and other wellness facilities.



## MORSKÉ OKO LAKE

The lake of Morské Oko is the largest volcanic lake in Slovakia. As the area is the home of several rare species of plants and animals, the lake have been declared a national nature reserve. Swimming, sailing, and fishing in the lake is strictly forbidden. It is possible to go for a hike along the educational trail around the lake.

