

PTUJ OLD TOWN, **NEW EXPERIENCES**

Thousands of years of history show in the bits and pieces of the past at every step through Slovenia's oldest town, which offers numerous possibilities for leisure activities. Ptuj is located in north-eastern Slovenia, on the Drava River, not far from the borders with Austria and Croatia. This makes it the perfect place for a longer stay and a starting point for exploring the surrounding area. Take a stroll through the picturesque medieval streets, immerse yourself in the cozy atmosphere of cafés, and enjoy the local food and wines. Relax in the warm thermal waters or pamper yourself in the spa.







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REASONS TO VISIT PTUJ

PTUJ CASTLE

The castle overlooking the old town offers magnificent views of the surrounding area, and houses one of the most popular museums in Slovenia. Explore its rich collections of arms, feudal dwelling culture, glass paintings and castle galleries, tapestries, musical instruments and traditional carnival characters and masks.



PTUJ WINE CELLAR

The history of the oldest Slovenian wine cellar speaks of the long tradition of winemaking in Ptuj. This wine cellar, called "Ptujska Klet" in Slovenian, keeps not only a rich collection of reserve wines, but also a special treasure – Zlata trta (Golden Vine) from 1917, which is considered the oldest Slovenian wine.



MITHRAEUM I + III

Five magnificent shrines to the god Mithras have been discovered in Ptuj, which was one of the main centers of Mithraism in Europe. Visiting Mithraeum I and III requires a reservation, while the remains of Mithraeum V are on display in the lobby of the Hotel Mitra in the town center.



KURENT HOUSE

At the Kurent House, you can learn about the most popular traditional ethnographic carnival character, Kurent, and its traditions with the help of a high-tech presentation all year round. Before your visit, please check the availability of your preferred date online and book accordingly.



WINE AND FOOD

In addition to the Ptuj Wine Cellar, Slovenia's oldest wine cellar with an extensive collection of reserve wines, you can also visit wine boutiques in the town center that tell centuries-old wine stories. Wine tasting in the dark tunnels under the castle is a unique experience. Town's chefs will spoil you with creative dishes ranging from haute cuisine and traditional local cuisine to special fish dishes.



POETOVIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL PARK

Explore the many traces left by the Romans in the days of the mighty Roman town of Ptuj, then called Poetovio. Through archaeological finds, presentations and guided tours, you can learn a lot about Poetovio and even meet "real Romans"!



TERME PTUJ A WELLNESS OASIS WITH HEALING THERMAL WATER

Ptuj's thermal water is gentle when it comes to its composition, but strong with reinvigorating power. You can relax in the spa center, in the pools and saunas of the Grand Hotel Primus or in the thermal water park, which features numerous water attractions (water slides, wave pool, etc.), especially in summer.



OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES AND SPORTS

MESTNI VRH The picturesque hiking trail from Ptuj to Mestni Vrh wends its way between vineyards and orchards, where you can find many interesting sights and taste local wines and traditional food.

The **DRAVA CYCLING ROUTE** is an international cycling route that goes through Ptuj and runs in the direction of Varaždin to Legrad in Croatia.

LAKE PTUJ is the largest perennial lake in Slovenia, a birdwatcher's paradise and is suitable for many types of water sports and leisure activities. During the summer, board the Čigra excursion boat that glides on the lake, offering a magnificent view of Ptui.

The **PTUJ GOLF COURSE** with its 18 holes and water hazards is truly something special. You can also try playing footgolf, a very unique sport.



FESTIVALS + EVENTS

Numerous events and festivals held at various venues add to Ptuj's vibe, and are often a good excuse to visit Ptuj for a day or even several days.



During carnival time, visit Kurentovanje, a festival picked by Lonely Planet as one of the top 10 carnival events in the world. Next carnivals will be held: 3–13 February 2024 and 22 February–4 March 2025.

ACCOMMODATION



Why the rush? Visit our beautiful town for several days, and add a day or more to explore the hidden gems. You can choose from a wide range of accommodation: from a premium 4-star spa hotel, town hotels, boutique accommodation, private rooms and hostels to campsites.

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