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Treasures of Crystal Valley

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*„It is a human landscape. Made by hard-
working hands, shaping it for themselves
by the force and mood of being, dreariness
became gentle, from the wilderness became home,
life-giving tradition.”*

RELIGIOUS – NATURAL – INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE



The place where religion and the people living in conformity.



Let this area to charm with the various religious and cultural memories, which tell stories about the power of belief and the depths of soul through the veil of history.

In this area blessed with wonderful natural makings, we can find the marks of religious life everywhere, where the religious heritage represents remarkable value in the lives of local residents even today.

Special churches, wonderful Calvaries and elevated places of worship preserve and prove the importance of church, religion and belief. The religious memories can be followed well-ordered on the only Way of Ecclesiastical Heritages.

N 47° 5' 48.91", E 17° 54' 9.54"

The Szaléziánum Archbishopric and Touristical Centre

The Szaléziánum Archbishopric and Touristical Centre named after Saint Francis of Szalézi (Szalézi Szent Ferenc) waits for the visitors in the whole year with interactive and special services for families in the renovated house of Bíró-Giczey. Guests can visit the magnificent baroque halls, the grassy room with the glass floor, follow the history of the Main Diocese of Veszprém, have an insight of the process of making a violin and taste the special drinks of our tea and coffee house. The house gives home to colourful and diverse exhibitions in the whole year.

The centre is also the starting point of the ecclesiastical trip. From the early middle ages Veszprém was an ecclesiastical centre. This is the reason why can be found many ecclesiastical monuments in the Castle of Veszprém, its museums and exhibitory places guard precious objects relating to the church. The Cathedral of Saint Michael (Szent Mihály Bazilika) at the Holy Trinity Square (Szentháromság Tér) is the location of romantic weddings, and the Archbishopric Palace with the Gizella's Chapel is spectacular.

www.szalezianum.hu
www.veszpremiersekseg.hu



**VÁROSLÓD**

N 47° 8' 36.492", E 17° 39' 0.432"

Saint Michael Roman Catholic Church

The baroque church was built on the ruins of the carthusian monastery between 1747 and 1750 with the help of the remaining carved stones from local buildings.

The main altar is carved and artistic, containing several parts, a spectacular construction, together with the rich decorated, imposing pulpit they are nationwide registered monuments.

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N 47° 8' 32.05", E 17° 37' 11.83"

KISLÓD
Michael Róthy Museum of Ecclesiastical History

In the renovated building of the parish house in Kislőd, which was built in classicistic style, can be found the ecclesiastical collection, named after Michael Róthy (Róthy Mihály), the former priest of the village, and this collection is known as one of the matters of special interest in religious and cultural tourism in Hungary.

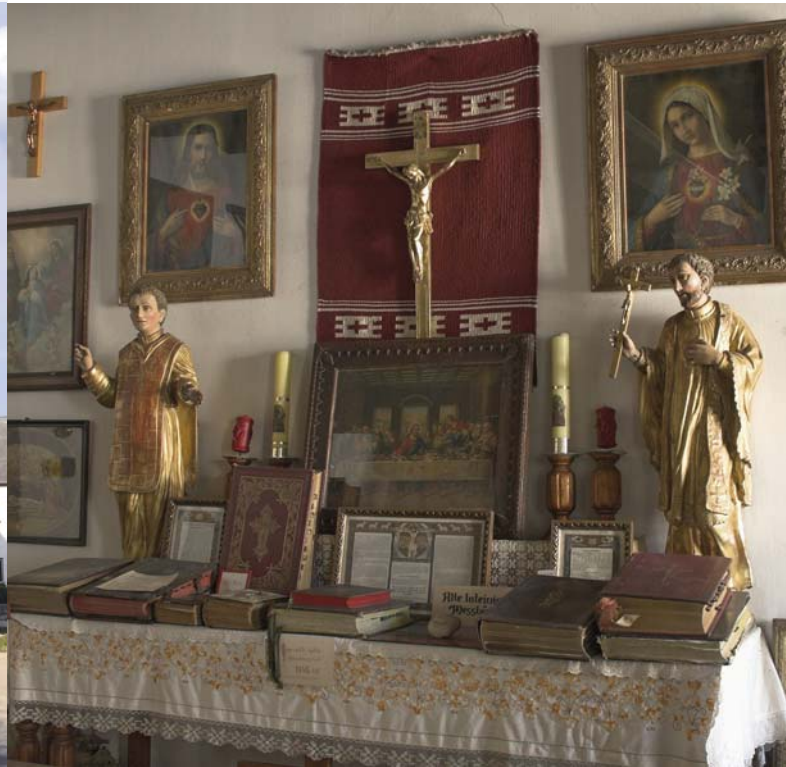
The founder is László Markója, dean priest between 1924 and 2007, who organized and exhibited the local and european treasures of folk religiousness.

He was also the developer of the chapel in cemetery and of 14 station calvaries. The sights of Kislőd can also be previously seen in the form of a virtual trip:

www.kislod.hu

Can be visited after previous registration:

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**MAGYARPOLÁNY****Saint László Church and Calvary**

N 47° 9' 59.97", E 17° 32' 32.93"



With almost one hundred protected buildings, Magyarpolány is registered as the part of the National Heritage. The Calvary, built around 1770 in the centre of the village, stands out from the other monuments. Next to the stairs leading to the chapel can be found almost life-sized, painted wood sculptures in five station ("stáció") buildings. The sculptures represent the five secrets of the painful saint reader. In the south side of the chapel a grave of a saint can be found, maybe it can be the sixth station in older scripts.

The church built for the respect of Saint László, built in baroque style was consecrated in 1769. The calvary can be freely visited, while the chapel and the church can be visited after previous registration.

The square in front of the church is the location of the internationally well-known Polányi Passió, organized at Whitsun every year.

FURTHER INFORMATION:
www.magyarpolany.hu



N 47° 2' 0.7", E 17° 32' 0.68"

HALIMBA**Dr Miklós Szalai Hous of Memories and Herbal Garden**

Halimba is a well-known village of the Veszprém Main Diocese. This small village is located one of the richest herbal lands of Hungary, where the Bakony and the Kisalföld (Small Lowlands) meet, where those plants can be found that like highlands, lowlands and marsh-lands. The dean priest dr Miklós Szalai, who gained nationwide popularity to the village, who knew the curative herbs very well, and who died over twenty years, left his memory, his life pattern and his science as a heritage to the residents of the village, to the youth.

The unique herbal garden is a well liked destination of the people who like nature, and who are interested in alternative medicine. From early spring to late autumn 180 living plant species pour out their fragrance and give the chance to get acquainted with the "Pharmacy of Nature". Visitors can get acquainted with the propagation, culture and processing of herbs interactively.

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Where the body, the soul and the mind can be relaxed.



In the romantic West-Bakony landscape extends the beautiful Crystal-Valley, what ensures excellent land and sightseeings for the lovers of trips on foot, by bicycle or on horse.

The unique landscape and the area with natural values, with wide and flat ridges, with turkey oak, oak and beech forests, with diverse terrain surfaces and with the beauty of the natural environment charm the visitors, providing unforgettable experience for all visitors.

The way of natural heritages has several spectacular and nice places, where the beauty of the enchanting surface forms are hand in hand with the beauty of the experience of being in nature.

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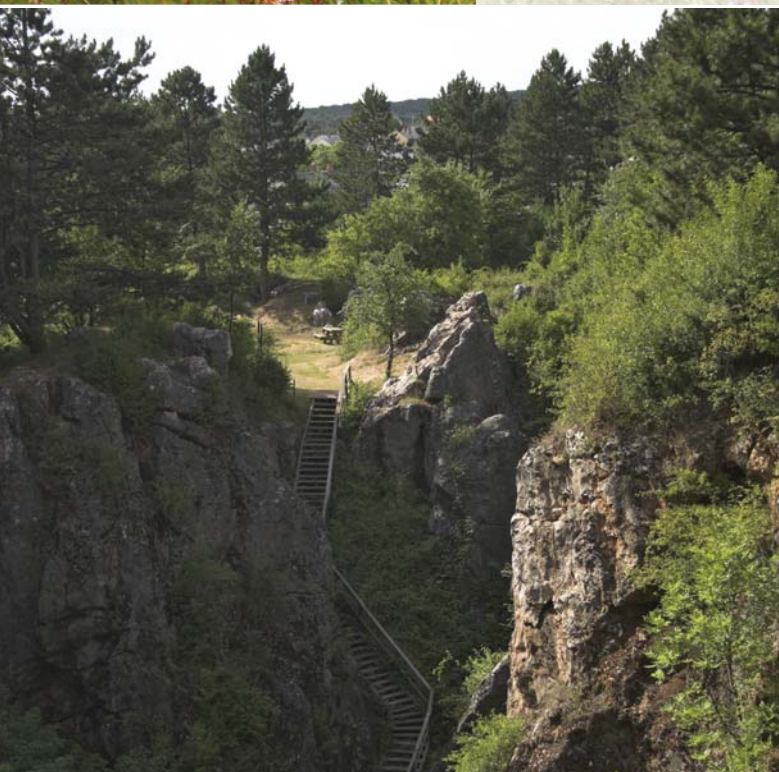
SZENTGÁL Nature Reserve with Yew

It cannot really be told other things about it, only impressively beautiful, elevating and fascinating. Who has ever seen a hundreds years old yew in a botanical garden or in a flower-garden can imagine the feeling when over more hundred thousands yew-trees create a forest. The yew forest of Szentgál is the second biggest native yew forest of the continent, which can be seen even today, thank to the good water supply and the narrow rocky land. Another natural treasure to mention is the Kölik-cave. It can be found on the north-western slope of the Mecsek hill above the Alszezi meadow. The revealed length is 420m. There is a chance to take part in hiking in the cave, which is a good opportunity to learn the techniques of hiking.

The exhausted visitors can visit the Country House, the Statue Park and the spring of the Cinca stream and of the Kút völgyi spring. The chance is given to visit the historical churches as well. Who would like to spend more days here and take a trip in the nearby countryside can find accommodation by us.

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www.szentgal.hu
www.szentgali-kolik.hu





CSEHBÁNYA

The way of the „Vízkeresők”

N 47° 10' 52.38", E 17° 41' 00.25"

The german-speaking village is located in the High-Bakony, in a fascinating environment, in a valley fenced by forests of the Torna stream, so it is a popular place to take a trip or to relax.

Fresh, clear, and according to many people its „curing” air allure many people to the village. In its sightseings included the chapel in forest, the place of pilgrimage, the memorial park of Trianon and the a world war memorial. In its land can be found the valley of spring in Csehbánya part of the way of „Vízkeresők”.

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N 47° 04' 57.76", E 17° 39' 10.79"

ÚRKÚT

Ancient Karst Nature Reserve Úrkút

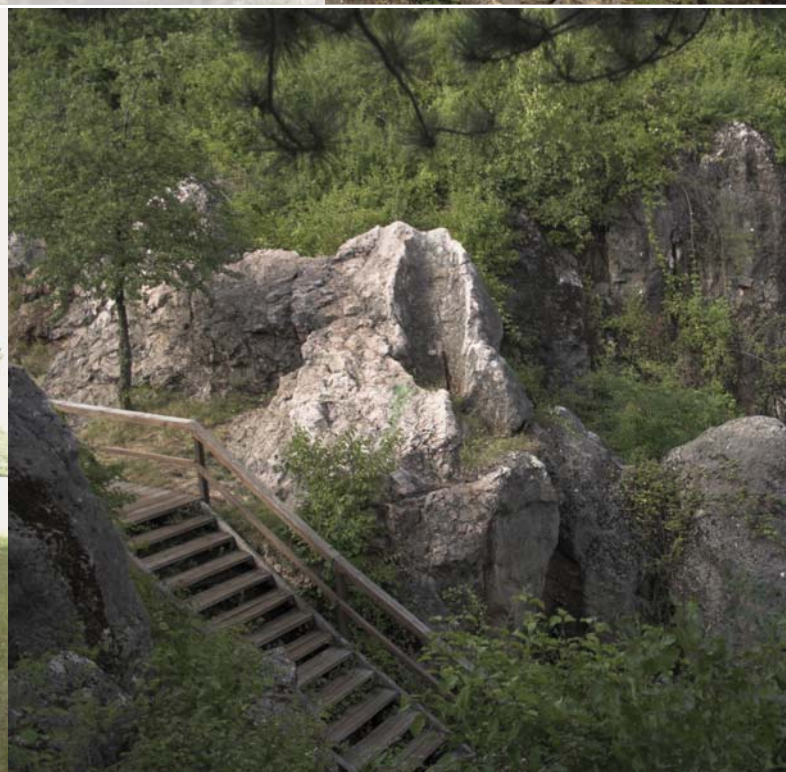
8 km from Ajka, in Úrkút, in the area of the former manganese mine can be found the Úrkút's ancient karst nature reserve with its romantic beauty, today working as a geological showroom. In the 1930s manganese was exploited with hand so the surface of the karst remained in its original state. This geological natural value was declared to be protected on national level. There is no rocky landscape like this Europe. It is also proved by the fact that in 2013 this nature reserve won the title: „The geological value of the year, in the Bakony-Balaton Geological park”. The educational way and staircase help to get to know the spectacular line of „töbör” and its environment.

Other places of interest: The guest coming to Úrkút can visit the well after that the village got its name, it is located on the way of Blue Trip, and the Museum of the Village preserving german national traditions.

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www.urkut.hu





AJKA

Area of the Kab Hill

N 47° 02' 50.35", E 17° 39' 24.00"



The Kab Hill, also well-known for its television tower, on the west side of the highest hill in the Bakony in the shadow of beech and turkey oak forests can the visitor walk along the educational way of the Sárcsi-well, which can be walked along in 1,5-2 hours comfortably.

Following the signals reaching unique landscapes we can get to the „Köleskepe-trench Eocén Geological Educational Way”, at the end of which exhibition of stones and footprints of wild animals wait for the visitors. In heart of the town the wonderful City Park and the „Csónakázó” Lake call the guests to have a rest.

The Casino Park is favoured by the residents of the town, where following the legendary giant we can discover the educational way about the town hidden between the trees of the park.

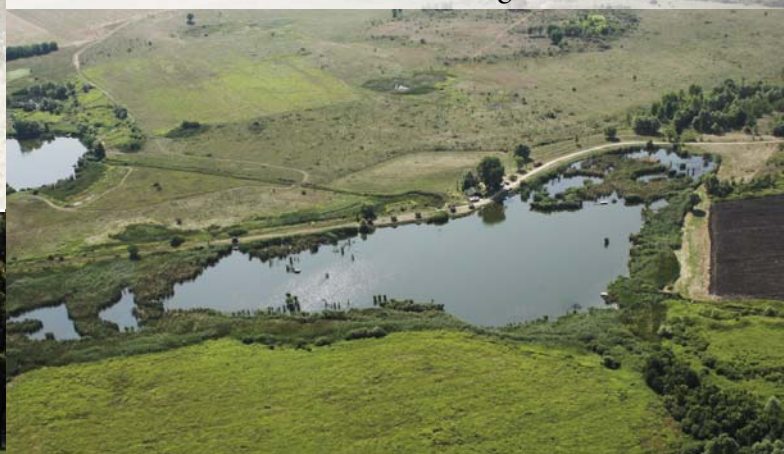


FURTHER PLACES OF INTEREST

Malom-Hill Rest Area – Halimba

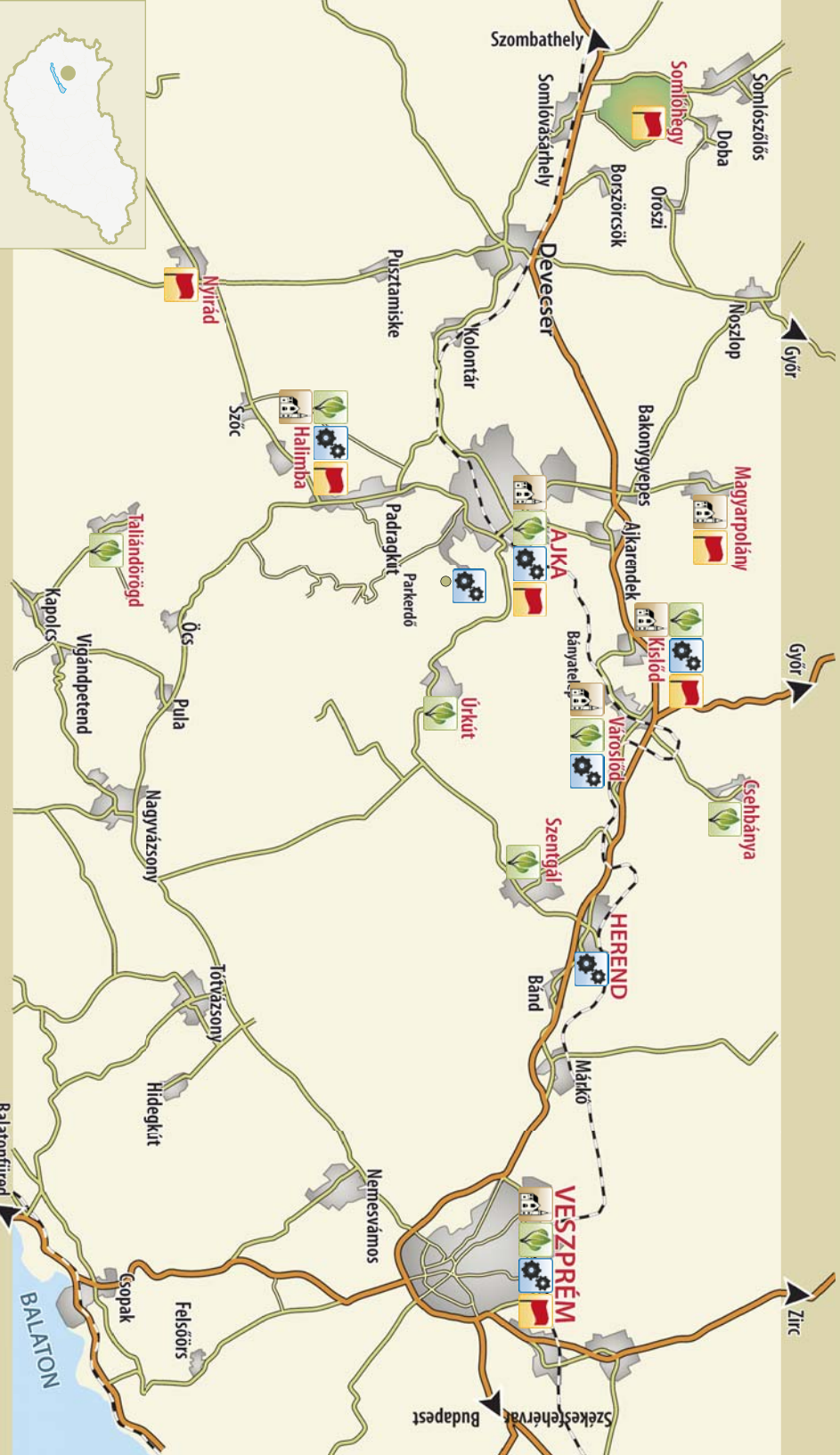


Fishing Lakes – Halimba



Fishing Lake – Városlőd





RELIGIOUS HERITAGE

- Veszprém** – The Széchenyi Archdiocesan and Tourist-gal Centre
- Városlód** – Saint Michael Roman Catholic Church
- Kislőd** – Michael Reby Museum of Ecclesiastical History
- Magyaropolány** – Saint László Church and Calvary
- Halmiba** – Dr Miklós Szalai House of Memories and Herbal Garden

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- Halmiba** – Fishing Lakes
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- Kislőd** – Old-Hill's Nature Trail
- Kislőd** – Three Sources of Recreation Park
- Kislőd** – Gunga-Well's Calk Rocks
- Városlód** – Fishing Lake
- Veszprém** – Kittenberger Plantsgarden and Zoo
- Városlód** – Igtauer Park's Botanical Trail

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- Ajka** – City Museum and Gallery
- Ajka** – Crystal Glass Factory and Museum
- Halmiba** – Old empty Mine's pits
- Herend** – Porcelain Museum
- Városlód** – House of German Nationalities
- Halmiba** – Collection of Bauwite Mining
- Halmiba** – Glass Factory
- Kislőd** – Vashármor
- Városlód** – Square furnace with Glass furnace
- Veszprém** – Museum for Hungarian Building and Tegularium

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- Halmiba** – Medicinal Plant Tour
- Magyaropolány** – Walk to the Popular Monuments
- Myrád** – Motorsport Centre
- The Hill of Somló** – Tona's Winery



Where industrial heritage will not be forgotten.



Gentle hills, picturesque mountains never forgotten cradle of ancient traditions and its everyday rhythms. The area is unique in that the economic life of the traditional industrial production is still dominant. The coal, bauxite and manganese ore mining, aluminium produce, aluminum processing, electronics has a half a century, the glassmaking a hundred years history. Prides of the Herend Porcelain Manufactory, Crystal of Ajka, Városlőd's Ceramica and all the world-famous products that are all around the world well known and they took the news of this region and gave rise to a unique museum where future generations can travel back nearly 200 years of industrial history of this area. The visitors of the area if they are on the way of industrial traditions, can get know the history of this view and try out themselves in mastering the ancient crafts.

AJKA City Museum and Gallery

N 47° 03' 53.46", E 17° 32' 25.40"



In the 18th century cleric- home is formed a local history museum collections which is in the reflects of the city's residents belong together. The rooms have a look of geographical environment of Ajka, show the present activities of people who live here, you can see more archaeological sites, the geological history of the area, and those brought to the surface along with minerals, this define the history of Ajka. The exhibition halls Borsos, Fekete István and Gábor Molnár commemorate this personalities who were connected with Ajka.

OPENING HOURS ALL YEAR ROUND:

Monday - Saturday: 9 – 16 pm.

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N 47° 6' 24.77", E 17° 33' 50.25"

AJKA Museum of Mining

100 years of coal mining Jubilee in 1965 on the first of August opened its doors an open-air museum of the history of technology in the Memorial Forest Park in Ajka.

We can meet the needs of today's new interactive museum and an exhibition space offers their visitors to adventure of centuries-old history of mining.

The Museum is located opposite to the Rock and Paleontology which shows the individual rock types and animals of ancient geological eras below.

OPENING HOURS ALL YEAR ROUND:

Tuesday – Friday: 11 – 16 pm

Saturday – Sunday: 10 – 16 pm

For more information:

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AJKA Crystal Glass Factory and Museum

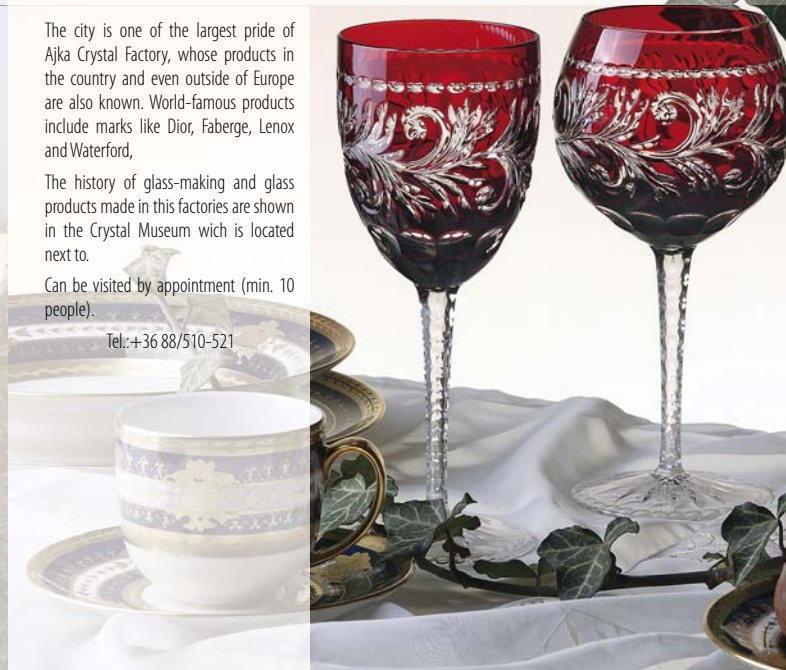
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The city is one of the largest pride of Ajka Crystal Factory, whose products in the country and even outside of Europe are also known. World-famous products include marks like Dior, Faberge, Lenox and Waterford.

The history of glass-making and glass products made in this factories are shown in the Crystal Museum which is located next to.

Can be visited by appointment (min. 10 people).

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HALIMBA

Old empty Mine's pits

N 47° 01' 53.77"; E 17° 32' 11.93"



The bauxite mining has more than a hundred years of history in the town with a rich history of industry leaving behind memories. In the agency's original ancient cellar are equipment furnished mine ways and visitors can learn about the mysteries of underground workings. Halimba has immediate and wider environment of geological diversity, rich flora and fauna and an excellent opportunity for the study of natural phenomena. In the tours can be visited lot of interesting rock formations, sordvalleys, resources, caves and recently abandoned opencast mine- pits wich you can search with an expert tour guide. There are located two abandoned bauxitelenses in the outskirts of the village wich are interesting geological phenomens.

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Glassfactory: htt-info@invitel.hu



HEREND Porcelain Museum

N 47° 07' 51.70"; E 17° 45' 11.09"

The Herend Porcelain Museum is one of the greatest treasures, in 2002 it was the "Museum of the Year" and is the National Museum's award-winning collection.

The high-quality permanent exhibition, which shows the beginning of Herend porcelain arts and aesthetic development, as well as is a four or five year guarantee for temporary exhibitions, the Museum's visitors can go into their home with rich experiences.

The local Minimanufactory can be visited with a guide in which visitors go along the Herend professionals work in preparation of the raw material to finished porcelain.

www.herend.com





VÁROSLÓD

House of German Nationalities

N 47° 8' 51.972", E17° 39' 12.6"



In the typical construction Bakony House style the exhibits visitors can learn about the historical monuments of the village, they can get know farmhouse in a village of the last century with furniture (room and kitchen furniture, utensils) the local German folk costumes, formerly used for agricultural tools, as well as Városlőd's ceramic and glass memories.

OPENING HOURS:

May 1 – September 30 between
Tuesday – Saturday 13–17 hours

By appointment to visit the country
house can be viewed outside the
dates.

The country house viewing of the
leading exhibition helps.

(English and German-language
guided tours are available on
request.)

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OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Collection of Bauxite Mining – Halimba



Glass Factory – Halimba



Square furnace with Glass furnace – Városlőd





MORE TO EXPLORE

AJKA Crystal Bath and Camping

N 47° 06' 47.90"; E 17° 33' 32.50"



The City Park is a reverberation of wild birds with magnificent green of the Ajka Crystal Bath and Camping, which is in close proximity to the park offers rest and relaxation for the visiting guests. The bath tub has got seasonally operating experience with six heated pools, 1700 m² surface of water, different experiences and year-round indoor swimming pool, sauna are waiting for visitors. The 2-acre, 2-star campsite has well equipped 11 wooden houses which are heated, for 2-6 persons, built caravan sites, tent sites, hot & cold water of social building with a kitchen and lounge area are for your convenience.

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N 47° 07' 31.95"; E 17° 32' 23.74"

In June 2012 was opened in Ajka the Nomádia Leisure Park, where visitors can get know the from the pages of books known history of the world. The leisure Park includes: a summer garden with open kitchen, stove, snack bar, showing the historic knights room, restaurant, 80-seat Shaman room, outdoor jurtas, the biggest plank of old playground of Western Transdanubia, petting zoo, bird houses, pond, rafts, archery terrain, riding track and an indoor riding arena. In the yard there are also games for different age groups, for example: stilt, swing, traditional folk games and higgling devices with straw. Contemporary pottery can be offered from popular dishes and baked in the oven, kettle boiled and grilled delicacies. It is a good location of camps, family, friendly gatherings, corporate events and archery demonstrations throughout the day, with period fighting programs.

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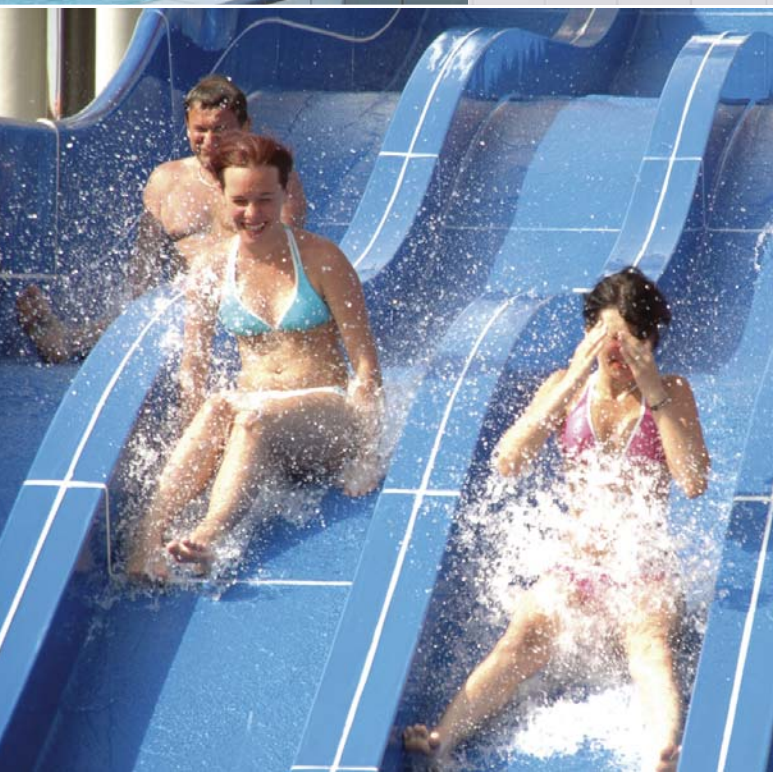
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AJKA Nomádia Leisure Park



N 47° 08' 03.84"; E 17° 37' 51.80"

KISLŐD Sobri Jóska Bakony's Adventurepark



In The heart of Bakony offers this complex in Kislőd dozens of challenging and memorable programs. The calm temperaments of nature lovers can go fishing, cook in kettle and bake bacon, while the adventurous can try the funicular railway, one hundred and fifty feet long lake's sliding. Like thus the craft can be try a quad, horseback riding, snow donuts down, tumbling boat, water bike, box build, climbing or just fight with the gravitation. The Playground, woodlabyrinth, daydream, electric cars, karts, trampoline and petting zoo are waiting for the youngsters. In the Hamori castle can be went back for a short time into the world of the Middle Ages, it can be traced back for the visitors, they can enjoy a game. The adventure park may think in the culinary delights for the guests, and it is waiting for them with exhausted traditional and regional food.

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HALIMBA Medicinal Plant Tour

N 47° 01' 42.83", E 17° 31' 51.63"



Halimba is in Hungary one of the country's richest herbal, the Hills and the Little Plain junction. You can find here in the mountains, the plains and wetland plants for space lovers alike. Feel free to call it one of the richest region in the country from the herb garden. The regular tour help you to undersand how to use traditional healing plants planted, the place of their production, careful collection methods can the visitors learn with an easy walk through.

The Memorial House of dr. Nicholas Szalai are shown the herb drying and mixing of tea operations are presented. For those interested will be organized courses in the topic several times a year in the village.

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N 47° 9' 59.97", E 17° 32' 32.93"

MAGYARPOLÁNY Walk to the Popular Monuments

Rare sight is still almost coherently maintained, preserved folk architecture street (Petőfi Street), which was declared a national monument in 1968 by the National Monuments Inspectorate of 46 popular houses.

The street has nowadays forty-two the typical constructions of Bakony style, columned stone houses, there are located in one of the building complex One Country House and one Art House.

The settlement was able to take over in 1993 The Europa Nostra Awards of the preservation and restoration of buildings. The House of Art House and the Sites of the village are places for events, as Polanyi Whitsun Festival, National Day and Farewell to Summer.

MORE INFORMATIONS:

www.magyarpolany.hu





MORE TO EXPLORE

NYIRÁD Motorsport Centre

N 47° 00' 19.88", E17° 27' 16.88"



Away from the central part of Transdanubia, the Bakony southwestern foothills is Nyírád located. The village has a famous location for growing and keeping the high-value protected plants such as wild orchid species, primroses, spring pheasant's eye. The cultural and social life is in order to enhance color club days, cultural and sport events are traditionally held. More tourist and recreational programs are offered in Nyírád for the fishing and European races are organized on the Nyírád Rallycross track in the outskirts of the village.

To Tapolca and near Sümeg located Rally Cross field – has a Hungary FIA license with off road – is the most favorite domestic and international Rallycross and Autocross field in these area.

The standard security system is needed to obtain the highest FIA licens with security elements, can withstand extreme loads on asphalt is a great spot for their cars to be tested riders, racers preparing for companies.

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47° 8' 14,1"N, 17° 21' 51,71"E

TREASURES OF **Crystal Valley**

THE HILL OF SOMLÓ Tornai's Winery

The Hill Somlo is one of the most unique wine-growing area, famous for its wines, beautiful scenery, and panorama. The volcanic soil's specific mineral wines – including a Somló trademarks of 'juhark' – can be sampled at expert wine cellars.

In addition, the area is a popular hiking destination, in the mountains are protected geological and ecological values of those who are interested in it, or for tourists who simply want to enjoy a unique view of nature and human nature 's work of uniquely beautiful harmony. The Tornai Winery of Somló hill offers a historical overview of the winery, the wine museum in the basement is of interest, and give a nice view and there can be visited the most beautiful mountain slopes, the Somló terrace, a wine shop, meeting room while waiting for the wine lovers to refresh, travelers who want to relax as well.

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