

DOBELE TOWN

www.dobele.lv

1. The ruins of the Livonian Order Castle
The ruins are an architectural monument of national significance. The impressive stone castle was built from 1335 to 1347 on the site of the Zemgalian wooden castle. The conservation works were started in 2002. You can have a guided tour around the castle by an attractive castle lady. Phone: + 371 63721309
GPS 56.62152, 23.27084

2. Dobele Liberation Monument
The monument, dedicated to the fallen soldiers of the World War I and the battles for freedom of Latvia, was opened in 1940. The world was the outstanding Latvian sculptor Kārlis Zemdega. In 1950, the monument was destroyed by the order of the Soviet authorities; it was renovated in 1996. GPS 56.62343, 23.27152

3. Memorial stone commemorating the departure of the Zemgallians from Dobele
In 1289, after very fierce fights with the Livonian Order, the Zemgalian tribes burnt down their wooden castle and left Dobele for Lithuania undefeated. The author of the monument is Mārtiņš Zaurs. GPS 56.62277, 23.27129

4. The Marketplace – the Historical Centre of Dobele
The place is encircled by two-storey brick buildings that were built in the beginning of the 20th century. The marketplace itself underwent a reconstruction in 2011, during which it was paved with cobblestones and adorned with a fountain shaped as a giant well; it is the biggest well in Europe. GPS 56.62326, 23.28174

5. Dobele Evangelic Lutheran Church
The church was built in 1495; it houses a number of valuable art monuments. Baznīcas iela 1, Dobele, + 371 26430548
GPS 56.62357, 23.28157

6. The Memorial for Augusts Bilenšteins
The monument in the garden of Dobele Evangelic Lutheran church is dedicated to Augusts Bilenšteins (1826 – 1907), a pastor of a German parish and an outstanding researcher of the Latvian language and ethnography. GPS 56.62399, 23.28078

7. Dobele Catholic All-Saint Trinity Church
Constructed in 2003, the church attracts attention with its modern architectural design. Baznīcas iela 10a, Dobele, + 371 26015072
GPS 56.62382, 23.28437

8. Dobele Crafts House
Visiting the Crafts House is a great opportunity to learn about old Latvian crafts. The house offers various exhibitions and presents national traditions. Baznīcas iela 8, Dobele, + 371 22049477
GPS 56.62335, 23.28342

9. Dobele Local History Museum
The museum offers insight into the history of Dobele Town and County. Art and history exhibitions are organized here on a regular basis. Brīvības iela 7, Dobele, + 371 637 21309
GPS 56.62509, 23.27655

10. The Garden and museum of Pēteris Upiītis
In the museum of Pēteris Upiītis, the founder of the garden, you can get acquainted with his work and personality. Nowadays, more than 5000 species and hybrids of fruit-bearing plants are cultivated in an area of 45 hectares by the researchers of Latvian State Fruit – Growing Institute. The lilac-tree garden is one of the largest in Europe. Gaudu iela 1, Dobele, + 371 26408655, www.lvai.lv
GPS 56.61085, 23.29705

11. Kestermēžs
The park is a very popular recreation place in Dobele. The Bērze River meanders through the park, with an open-air stage built on one of its bends. GPS 56.60757, 23.28790

12. Garden of Beautiful and Practical Ideas
The garden of Liga and Anvrs Berģi will inspire you and give you great ideas for planning and creating a practical yet beautiful garden of your own. Liepu iela 5, Dobele, + 371 26541868, 29258709
GPS 56.61058, 23.28899

13. Tree nursery “Liepas”
“Liepas” is a dynamically growing tree nursery specializing in fruit, berry and rose plant production. Rožu iela 2, Dobele, + 371 29507747, www.stadiliepas.lv
GPS 56.61982, 23.29442

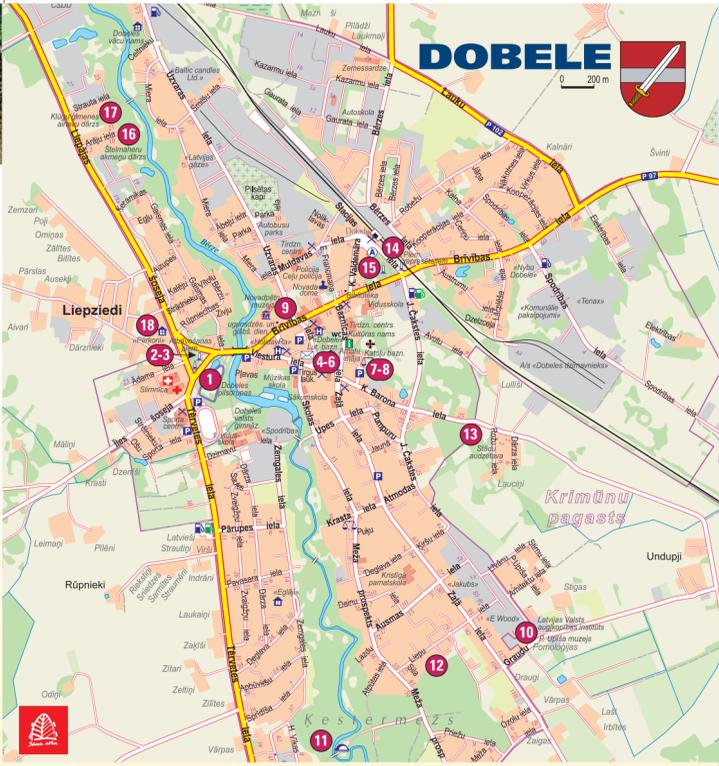
14. Memorial to the Victims of the Communist Genocide
The ensemble is the largest memorial place in Latvia for the politically repressed people. This is where the deportations of the inhabitants of Dobele and its vicinity took place on June 14, 1941, and March 25, 1949. GPS 56.62719, 23.28712

15. Brothers’ Cemetery Monument
The Monument is dedicated to the warriors killed during the World War II. 8163 soviet soldiers are buried in Dobele Brothers’ Cemetery. GPS 56.62678, 23.28578

16. Štelmaheri Family Garden of Stones
The garden, created by Lilija and Alfreds Štelmaheri, is called the Stone Fairy-tale, or the Miracle Garden. Compositions of flowers and shrubs complete the vast exhibition of different stones. Arāju iela 18, Dobele, + 371 22318001, 20047591
GPS 56.63288, 23.26468

17. Klūgas Family Landscape Garden
This garden is one of the nicest ones in Latvia. You will love the vast grass-plots with flowerbeds, the old trees and the cute pond. Liepājas ioseja 21, Dobele, + 371 26458290
GPS 56.63313, 23.26458

18. Workshop of painter Aija Prince-Galzone
During the visit you will get acquainted with the process of painting, see the paintings and by them. “Pērkonī”, Dobele, + 371 2916628
GPS 56.62466, 23.26781



1. Lake Gaurata
The small, picturesque lake lies among hills and woods near Dobele. The lake is rich in fish. A swimming area, rest areas and a playground are all available at the lake. Dobeles pag., + 371 63714163
GPS 56.66401, 23.29503

2. Lāči Pond
It is an artificially formed water reservoir with a romantic island in the middle of the pond. Dobeles pag., + 371 29262680
GPS 56.65601, 23.25869

3. Stud farm “Jaunlobas”
Farm offers opportunity to look at and learn about the horses and their world. Horseback riding is available. Dobeles pag., + 371 26544007
GPS 56.65867, 23.24876

4. Farm “Rūķišu tēja”
The farm is one of the largest in Latvia, specializing in growing medicinal herbs. During the visit you will have a chance to see the vast herb fields, find out how plants are dried, as well as taste and buy the teas. Krimūnu pag., + 371 29263846, www.rukisuteja.lv
GPS 56.56953, 23.31584

5. Tree nursery “Bīlāsti”
The tree nursery specializes in decorative coniferous trees. Krimūnu pag., + 371 26548366, www.kokaudzetavabilasti.lv
GPS 56.60859, 23.32151

6. Farm “Kukšās”
Visitors can observe goats, rabbits, various domestic fowl and learn about their life. Bērzes pag., + 371 120424267
GPS 56.70853, 23.96895

7. “Pikšās” – the Museum of Kārlis Ulmanis
The museum is dedicated to soldiers who were killed during the slaughterous battle of January 1945. It was a tragic battle in which Latvians on one side had to fight against Latvians on the other side. Annenieku pag., GPS 56.65268, 23.07725

8. Bērze Lutheran church
The church was rebuilt in the middle of the 19th century. President K.Ulmanis was baptized and confirmed in this church. Bērzes pag., + 371 26764405
GPS 56.68549, 23.43952

9. Bērze Graveyard
The parents of K.Ulmanis and many of his relatives are buried in the old Bērze cemetery. K.Ulmanis wished to be buried in this cemetery as well, but he died in Russia in 1942, where he was deported after the occupation of Latvia. The place of his grave is still unknown. A memorial to K. Ulmanis was erected in Bērze graveyard at the beginning of the 90ies. Bērzes pag., GPS 56.68486, 23.43868

10. Bērze Water Mill
The water mill is a significant monument of technique, one of the very few still operating watermills in Latvia. Bērzes pag., + 371 26439106
GPS 56.67931, 23.44397

11. Mitten and Wooden Sculpture Garden at Lejnīeki
In the garden, you can learn about different plants and flowers. It is decorated with wooden sculptures made by the host Haralds Bauze. Skaidrite Bauze is a well-known mitten knitter. She will show her collection which boasts more than 170 various mittens. Bērzes pag., + 371 637 54136, 22308565
GPS 56.66388, 23.41439

12. Annenieki Lutheran Church
The current church was built in mid-eighteenth century; the steeple, altar and interior of the church were renovated in 1990. Annenieki, Annenieku pag., + 371 25969494
GPS 56.68015, 23.10039

13. Memorial Place in Kambari
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14. Antiquities collection at “Liči”
A collection of antiques by Jānis Urbāns is open to the public at “Liči”. The hostess will show her beautiful flower garden. Bikstu pag., + 371 26541284
GPS 56.70853, 23.96895

15. Lake Apgulde
The scenic lake is a popular place for recreation and fishing. Apgulde, Naudites pag., + 371 28331655
GPS 56.53522, 23.23920

16. Orchids and Exotic Animals
At “Brieži” farm in Apgulde, you can enjoy the largest collection of orchids in Latvia. Over decades, Egons Tone has collected more than 200 species of orchids. The hosts will show and tell you about their exotic animals. You will also meet the friendly Shetland ponies at the farm. Apgulde, Naudites pag., + 371 26411428, www.orchidejas.lv. GPS 56.53242, 23.22820

17. Farm “Auru Ciruļi”
Recreation in tidy rural landscape of Zemgale, visiting of winery and home-wine tasting, rural bathhouse. Auru pag., + 371 29299030, www.ciruli.lv
GPS 56.56117, 23.31822

18. Pokaiņi Forest
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26. Collection of antique clocks and radios at “Abrakaši”
Vasilijs Čupka has been assembling his collection since 1990; it boasts more than 150 various clocks and watches, a comparable amount of radios, as well as antique TV sets and samovars. Penkules pag., + 371 26455492
GPS 56.49235, 23.24218

27. Antiques storage in “Dzintari”
An exhibition of antique radios, gramophones, tape recorders, sewing machines and military communications equipment, hosted by Talivaldis Ikarts, is open to the public. Penkules pag., + 371 26272373
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www.auce.lv

28. The Vecauce Castle
The castle was built for Count Medem from 1842 to 1845. Today Vecauce Castle is a tourism and culture centre; it is surrounded by a picturesque park that covers 13 hectares. Akadēmijas iela 11, Vecauce, +371 29195959, 63745302, www.vecauce.lv GPS 56.46823, 22.88769



29. Vecauce Evangelical Lutheran Church
The church was built in 1866. It is remarkable for its interior. Akadēmijas iela 1, Vecauce, +371 28849204, www.vecaucebaznicalv GPS 56.46504, 22.89022



30. Auce Region Museum
The museum offers an insight into the history of Auce Town. Booking in advance. Jelgavas iela 1a, Auce, +371 63744880, 27234216 GPS 56.46624, 22.89413

31. The Kevele Springs
Seven separate springs come out of a 4 meters deep ravine. Each spring has its own special taste and cures a certain illness. Vitņu pag., GPS 56.48338, 22.82321

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45. Tervete Nature Park
The park is one of the most popular and family-friendly places in Latvia. Here you can experience picturesque nature, rich cultural history and the magic world of fairy-tales. Tervete, +371 63726212, www.mammadaba.lv GPS 56.48767, 23.37284



46. Tervete Castle Mound
It was one of the most prominent and impressive castle mounds not only in West Zemgale, but also in the ancient Baltic Countries. In 1286, after severe battles with the Livonian Order, Zemgalians burnt down their castle and fled to Lithuania. Tervete, +371 63726212 GPS 56.48254, 23.38389



47. Holy Mound
Holy Mound is one of Tervete fort – hills, a holy place of our distant ancestors. During the northern War the hill was a stronghold of the Swedish army therefore it got its second name – Swedish. Tervete, +371 63726212. GPS 56.48392, 23.38301

48. Anna Brigadere Memorial Museum "Sprīdiši"
In the museum you can learn about the life and creative work of writer Anna Brigadere. She lived and worked here in summers from 1922 till 1933. The rooms have been preserved exactly as they were during her lifetime. Tervete, +371 26532691, www.spridisi.lv GPS 56.48337, 23.37637



39. Spārn Castle Mound
The Castle Mound was inhabited from 9th till the 13th centuries. Supposedly, it was the centre of Spārneme terrain. Iles pag., GPS 56.55099, 23.04205

32. Country Farm "Putni"
The farm house is an interesting cultural and historical building. From 1867 to 1915 it hosted a school, but at the end of World War II it was used as a fortification. The farm boasts an attractive garden. Vecauces pag., +371 22027839 GPS 56.48519, 22.87075

33. The Lielauce Castle
The castle is situated on the shore of Lake Lielauce. It was built at the beginning of the 19th century and is considered a significant eclectic monument. Lielauce, Lielauces pag., +371 26370377 GPS 56.52290, 22.89944

34. Lake Lielauce
The lake is popular among fishermen due to an excellent chance of catching fish. Recreation centre of JSC "Latvijas valsts meži" offers a boating facility for fishermen. "Lielauces kļipģeris", a full-amenity campground, is just a short distance away. Lielauces pag., +371 26556771 GPS 56.52290, 22.89944

35. Monument dedicated to the first battle of Kalpaka battalion
The monument by the Lielauce Church was unveiled in 1934. It commemorates the Lielauce battle that took place in 1919. Lielauces pag., GPS 56.51364, 22.87538

36. Dobe Hills in Kokmuiza
The highest peaks of the naturally formed, 2-kilometre-long ridge are Incēni, or Dobe, castle mound and Mežalkans. Incēni castle mound is considered to be the ancient centre of Dobe terrain. Mežalkans is hypothesized to be the place of the Dobe castle that was built by the Livonian Order. Vitņu pag., GPS 56.50067, 22.74329

37. Māra's Grove
The newly planted grove is dedicated to the local people and their dwellings-places who were destroyed during the World War II and Soviet period. In the centre of the grove – the altar of Latvian goddess Māra. Booking in advance. Jelgavas iela 1a, Auce, +371 29353183 GPS 56.56432, 22.95423

38. Lake Spārn
The lake is surrounded by woods and hills. Castle Mound can be seen on the opposite side of the lake. Iles pag., +371 29269882 GPS 56.55461, 23.04144



41. Bēne Manor
The Manor House was built in the end of the 19th century in the Neo-gothic style. Make sure you also see the 19-century stone bridge over Auce River. Bēne, Bēnes pag., GPS 56.48567, 23.06351

42. Horse riding
Two farms offer horse riding. During the summer, there are cart rides, while in the winter sleigh rides are available. "Klētīnīki", Bēnes pag., +371 26973371 GPS 56.45839, 23.07009 "Kaijas", Bēnes pag., +371 29834453 GPS 56.45624, 23.04954

43. Beekeeping in "Lielvaicēni"
Beekeeper Arturs Grudovskis offers a tour around his farm. You can taste and buy various products. Vitņu pag., +371 29161420, www.lielvaiceni.lv GPS 56.44899, 22.97483

44. Nature Preserve "Ukru gārša"
A forest reserve is an extraordinary nature object for Zemgale Plains. The preserve is rich in various endangered plants and birds. Guided tours are available. Ukru, Bukaišu pag., +371 26193472 GPS 56.37673, 23.17150



49. Tervete 12th century Wooden Castle
It provides an opportunity to see the most extensive exposition of Zemgalian iron age material culture – household objects, jewelry, armory, clothing. Zemgalian leader's wax statue and the largest in Latvia exhibition of swords can also be seen here. Tervete, +371 26950975, www.lielkencins.lv GPS 56.48142, 23.37615



50. Tervete-Kalnauziņa Evangelical Lutheran Church
This church, built in 1614, is one of the oldest churches in Zemgale. Next to the church, there is the chapel of the Count Pahlen. Tervete, +371 63726212 GPS 56.47955, 23.37922

51. Horse riding and Horse-drawn carriage rides
Exciting horse- and horse-drawn carriage rides through the park and the historical center of Tervete are available. Tervete, +371 26824856 GPS 56.48192, 23.37844

52. Tervete Reservoir
The reservoir is an artificial lake. It is rich in fish. JSC "Latvijas valsts meži" offers recreational facilities. Tervete, +371 26115333, www.mammadaba.lv GPS 56.49493, 23.40740



53. Tervete bread
Bread is baked according to ancient traditions. You can take a tour of the bakery, help to bake a bread and taste it. Tervete, +371 29967553 GPS 56.45678, 23.38199

54. Book Museum "Kipi"
The museum is located in "Kipi" – the native house of Jānis Rapa, a famous book publisher. The museum holds a vast material about Latvian book publishers, and a considerable collection of old books, bookmarks and needlework. Tervetes pag., +371 29351141 GPS 56.46007, 23.39225

55. Tulips and buckthorns in "Dzintarkāci"
From late April until early June, a collection of tulips with some 200 different kinds of flowers is available for viewing. You can pick and taste buckthorn berries from late August. Tervetes pag., +371 29489048 GPS 56.44342, 23.30379

56. Tervete Winery
Winery produces home wine from berries and fruit. Tours and wine tasting are offered. Tervete, +371 29454225 GPS 56.44698, 23.35750

57. Mežmuiza Manor and Lutheran Church
Mežmuiza Castle was built in the middle of 19 century in the Neo-gothic style. Since 1954, it has housed Augstkalne Secondary School. The church was built in 1648. Together with the nearby Castle, park and the lake, it forms a perfect landscape ensemble. Augstkalne, +371 26411768, www.mezmuiza.lv GPS 56.40498, 23.33414

58. Joint-Stock Company "Agrofirma Tervete"
The beer produced in "Agrofirma Tervete" brewery is well known in Latvia. Tourist groups can taste beer in the brewery hall. Company offers sightseeing tours in the modern dairy farm and stud farm, as well. Kronauce, +371 29615337 www.tervete.lv GPS 56.51654, 23.33468

59. The Grape Garden
The grape garden of Edgars Zihmanis is one of the biggest in Latvia. The host takes visitors on a tour to greenhouses, gives a consultation about grape growing, and offers to taste grapes and purchase grapevine seedlings. "Silvumnicis", Kronauce, +371 28609399, www.vinogudars.lv GPS 56.51580, 23.34705



60. Farm house "Elite Plus"
The farm breeds Galloway cattle, Merino sheep, goats, pigs and poultry. Tours are available. Bukaišu pag., +371 29191619 GPS 56.43345, 23.17980

