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1. GAUJA

The longest river in Latvia flows through a spacious valley. It starts in Vidzeme Upland, casts a wide circle to the Estonian border and flows into the Gulf of Riga near Carnikava. Near Sigulda the Gauja Valley reaches its maximum depth – 85 m.



2. SANDSTONE OUTCROPS NEAR THE GAUJA RIVER BANKS

Several impressive sandstone outcrops are uncovered near the Gauja River banks from Sigulda till Līgatne. Elpju Rock is a small red sandstone outcrop of the Gauja series, which as a vertical wall plunges into the abyss of the Gauja River. On the South side Elpju Rock is insulated by the Tildurga canyon with several caves. Launags Rock can be seen on the other bank of the Gauja River. One of the most spectacular geological objects of the Gauja Valley. The rock wall is 20 m high, it is made of the sandstones of the Gauja series, which are abundant with remains from ancient organisms. In the territory of Līgatne Nature trails Gūdas Rock, Katrīnas Rock and Jumpraviezis Cliff might be observed.







3. LĪGATNE NATURE TRAILS

Trails, which are more than 5 km in length, were created in 1975, along them wild animals and birds, which are characteristic of Latvia's fauna can be seen.

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4. THE LIGATNE FERRY CROSSING

The ferry across the Gauja River which is controlled by manual force is the only one in Baltics. It is a historical and technical monument.

5. THE VILLAGE OF LIGATNE PAPER MILL

The paper mill built in Līgatne in 1815. A village of wooden buildings for the factory workers, which is a unique European scale laborers' village urban complex, developed around it.







6. LĪGATNE CELLAR CAVES AND **CLIFFS**

Since the 18th century caves have been artificially created in the Devonian sandstone detritions of Līgatne, which are still used as cellars.

7. RATNIEKI

A cultural and historical landmark that is linked to the first independent Latvia's industrial heritage's greatest representative - the textile enterprise's "Rīgas audums" owner Robert Hirsch. Nowadays his country property has become a peculiar tourist, recreational and educational center, which is better known as location of international music festival "Laba daba"

8. DAUDA WATERFALL

The height of the Dauda (also known as the Lākturi, Cūkaiņi, Jurbrencis River) waterfall is 2,4 m. It is a perfect resting spot to observe how the water falls over the sandstones of the Amata series.



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