



## Winter wonderland Gauja National park

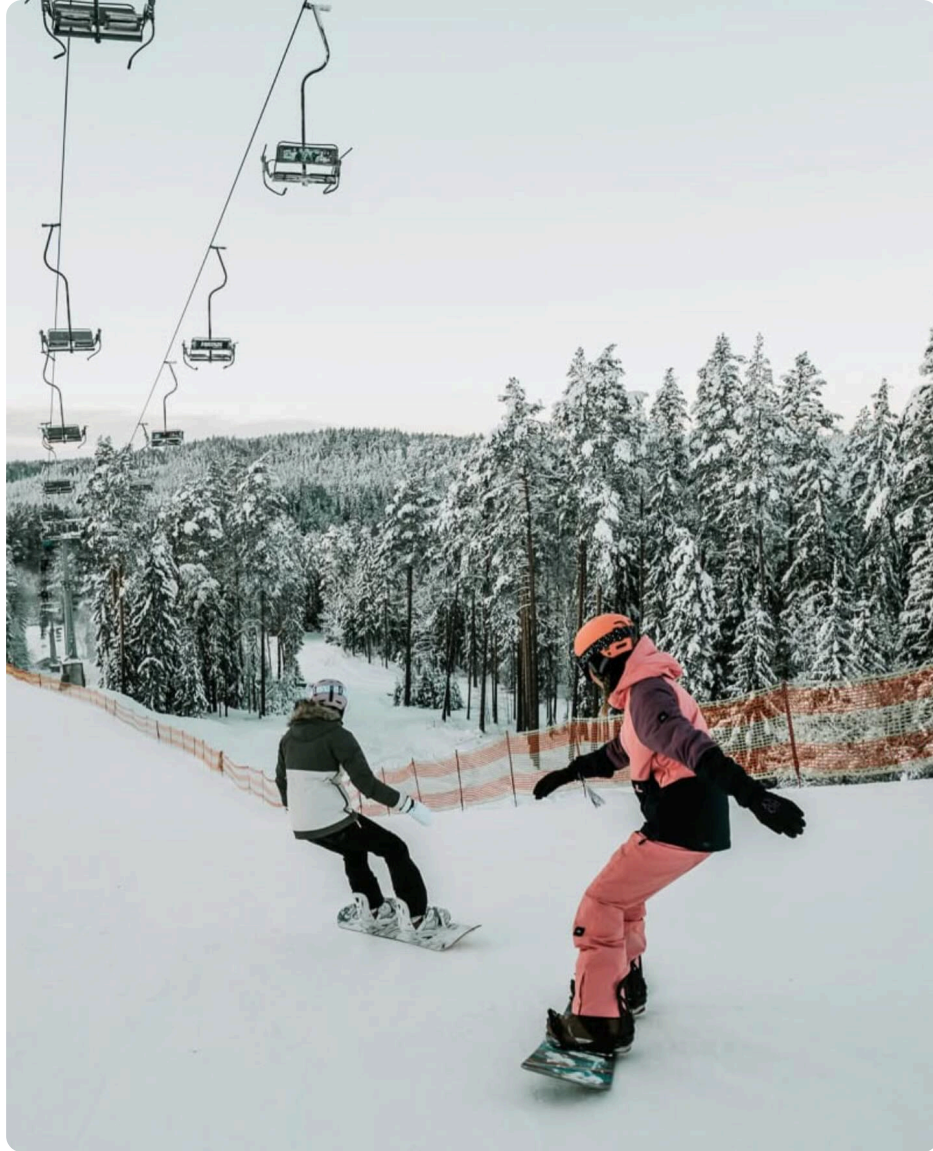
Winter in Gauja National Park feels quiet, poetic, and a little wild — the kind of winter that slows everything down and makes nature feel close and personal.

What winter looks like there Snow settles softly over pine forests, sandstone cliffs, and the winding Gauja River.

What makes winter in Gauja especially memorable is its atmosphere. On freezing mornings, mist rises from the Gauja River, forming one of the park's most iconic sights. Frozen waterfalls and cliffs transform the landscape into a natural ice gallery, and the absence of crowds brings a rare sense of peace and solitude.

## Thrilling skiing and snowboarding slopes

Skiing in the Gauja National Park region offers a mix of scenery and accessibility across its main slopes. [Ozolkalns](#) stands out with longer, naturally shaped runs that follow the Gauja Valley's relief, giving a more dynamic and scenic ride. [Žagarkalns](#) provides the widest variety of slopes, from gentle beginner tracks to more challenging descents, making it popular with families and learners as well as confident skiers.



## **Scenic cross-country skiing around Turaida Castle & biathlon track**

[Turaida Museum Reserve invites on cross-country skiing!](#) Tracks have been laid for two routes, 1.3 km and 2.3 km long. This is a great opportunity to combine physical activity with enjoying the wonderful winter scenery of the Turaida Museum Reserve.

Enjoy skiing in natural snow-covered trails of 1 and 2.5 km in Gauja National park forest, [Ski and Biathlon Centre "Cēsis"](#).



## **Experience Latvian national evenings! White valleys and frozen waterfall and springs**

Adventures continue in winter season! Hit the road and fill your heart with enjoyment! Hike scenic hiking trails and visit springs and waterfall. As winter beautifies the national park, the minus degrees have frozen the springs and waterfall streams.

### **Only in Gauja National park!**

Sigulda Bobsleigh and Luge Track is a unique facility and includes an artificial ice track with a length of 1200 m + 220 m and 16 turns. Enjoy the speed and adrenaline yourself!

Visit and see the legendary track and enjoy positive adrenaline, riding the summer bob in summer and the winter vuchko, skeleton bob, and ice rafting in winter.







## New and personal experience!

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Here, the city's stories come together with local everyday life, flavours, conversations, and a shared meal in a garden. It is an unhurried, warm day that stays with guests long after the trip.

### **What will guests experience?**

#### **An informative walk through Cēsis with a local guide.**

The day begins with a walk through the historic centre of Cēsis. Through stories of houses, streets, and people, guests discover the city's history, character, and daily rhythm, as well as the small details that make Cēsis special.

**A grilled lunch experience in a local garden.** At the end of the day, we visit a local family's garden, where guests cook a grilled lunch together with chef Mārtiņš, using seasonal, locally sourced ingredients. During the cooking process, the chef shares his experience and talks about what Latvians usually cook and eat in everyday life.

Season: 5 May – 15 September

Booking: at least 15 days in advance

(for groups of 6–10 guests)

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