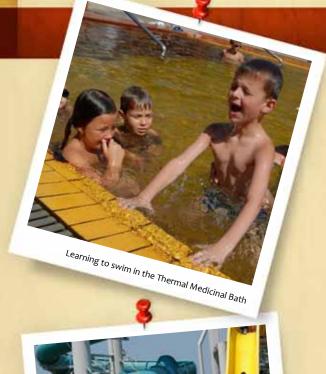
What to do in the Greedom! Szentes Microregion Szentes! I love it! Letcho Festival, Szentes Farewell to Winter Carnival in Szentes Country fair at Kossuth square Pancake Festival, Derekegyház May Day Celebration – Folk Dance Show Fools' Wedding in Szegvár Canoe race on the Kurca River Urban Festival – Concert of the "Republic" band

Offers for families





For the whole family – recreation at a reasonable price

Offers for families

Day 1

Have a rest after your journey Recreation at Szentes' Thermal Bath

Day 2

Morning

Becoming familiar with the town - sight-seeing Kossuth square, Calvinist church, Synagogue (today: Town Library), Shinto Gate, Kurca River, Széchenyi park

Afternoon

Sights around the town...

Outskirts of Szentes: Ruins of the Ecseri church Fábiánsebestyén: Cserna windmill Árpádhalom: Berchtold manor-house, Timberframed Roman Catholic church

Day 3

Morning

Refreshing experience for the whole family!

Szentes Recreation Centre: waterslide-complex, children's pools, thermal pools, swimming pools, open air games, sauna

Evening

Family Bowling Party

Chicago Restaurant and Bowling Pub

Day 4

Morning: Szentes

In the footsteps of our ancestors a visit to the museums

Koszta József Museum

Fridrich Museum of Photography Péter Pál House

Afternoon: Szegvár

Village Museum, Doll Museum, Windmill, Village gastronomy, becoming familiar with village traditions (Association of Village Tourism)

For the whole family Recreation at a reasonable price



Day 5

Morning

Observation of protected birds

Ancient grassland of Cserebökény (accessible by bicycle or car)

or

Bird watching at the Derekegyház fish ponds (Bicycles may be rented from the Szentes Recreation Centre)

Afternoon

Walk in the English Garden of the Károlyi Castle in Nagymágocs

The Estate Granary near the castle is well worth a visit (timber internal structure, built by Miklós Ybl)

Day 6

Take a dip in nature - Tisza River Beach - Szentes

Accessible by bicycle or car (alternatively it's only an hour's walk from the town centre)

(Bicycles may be rented from the Szentes Recreation Centre)

Day 7

Morning

Discovering the beauties of the Kurca River

Options to take smaller or longer canoe trips between Szentes and Szegvár

(Canoes, kayaks, boats and waterbikes may be rented from the Szentes Recreation Centre)

or

Horse Riding tour

The Szentes Microregion offers various possibilities for riding or coach driving.

Afternoon

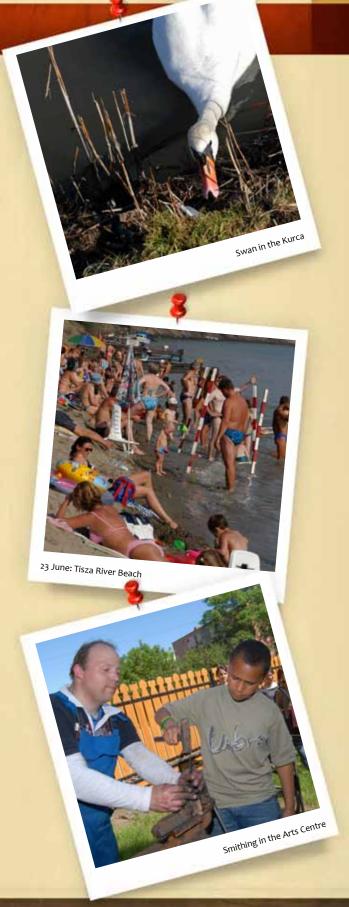
Handicrafts in the town centre

House of Arts - introduction of crafts typical to the region

or

visiting local craftsmen

Black pottery, white pottery, carving, embroidery, painting of furniture



Offers for pensioners





Rejuvenating recreation

Offers for pensioners

Day 1

Have a rest after your journey - Relaxing walk in the town centre

Kossuth square, Calvinist church, Shinto Gate, Kurca River, Széchenyi park

Day 2

Morning

Recreation and refreshment at the Szentes Thermal

Thermal pools with various temperatures, curative treatment, sauna, massage

Afternoon

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House of Arts - introduction of crafts typical to the region

or

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Day 3

Morning

Sights around the town....

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Fábiánsebestyén: Cserna windmill

Árpádhalom: Berchtold manor-house, Timber-

framed Roman Catholic church

Afternoon

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Beat the iron and metal...

Rejuvenating recreation Reliving the past

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Day 4

Reliving the past – visiting museums

Morning: Szentes

Koszta József Museum Fridrich Museum of Photography Péter Pál House

Afternoon: Szegvár

Village Museum Doll Museum Windmill

Day 5

Bathing, recreation, fresh air...

Szentes Recreation Centre: thermal pools, swimming pools, open air games, sauna, jacuzzi

Day 6

Morning

Excursion: discovering the beauties of nature

A special attraction of nature: ancient grassland of Cserebökény, part of the Körös-Maros National Park. Its unique treasures include marshplants, saline grasslands and birdlife. Accessible by bicycle or car. (Bicycles may be rented from the Szentes Recreation Centre)

Afternoon

In the outskirts of Szentes - horse coach tour

Day 7

Rejuvenation and refreshment at the Thermal Bath





Offers for young people





Day 1

At last, we've arrived, let's take a dip! – Szentes Recreation Centre: waterslide complex, swimming pools, open air games (minigolf, chess, beach soccer, beach volley-ball), sauna, thermal pools

Day 2

Morning

Becoming familiar with the town – sight-seeing and visiting museums

Kossuth square, Calvinist church, Synagogue (today: Town Library), Shinto Gate, Kurca River, Széchenyi park, Koszta József Museum, Fridrich Museum of Photography, Péter Pál House

Afternoon

Tisza River Beach - Szentes

Accessible by bicycle or car (alternatively it's only an hour's walk from the town centre) (Bicycles may be rented from the Szentes Recreation Centre)

Day 3

Morning

Heading for Szegvár, on the water –Canoeing on the Kurca River

(Canoes, kayaks, boats and waterbikes may be rented from the Szentes Recreation Centre)

Sights in Szegvár: Village Museum, Doll Museum

Sights in Szegvár: Village Museum, Doll Museum, Windmill

Evening

Evening Bowling Party

Chicago Restaurant and Bowling Pub

Day 4

Morning

Jumping into the saddle

A wide range of riding possibilities for beginners and advanced riders, alike.

Afternoon

Bathing again - Szentes Recreation Centre



You should come, too

Active entertainment in the Szentes Microregion

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Day 5

Morning

To the nature by bike - tours to neighbouring settlements

(Bicycles may be rented from the Szentes Recreation Centre) Destinations: Cserebökény grassland, Szentes outskirts: Ruins of the Ecser church Fábiánsebestyén: Cserna windmill

Evening

Evening chill out in the sauna and jacuzzi – Szentes Recreation Centre

Day 6

Morning

Who will be the most colourful? – Underground Paintball

Built track or in the forest or in a three-level building

Afternoon

Recreation and relaxation together – at Szentes' Thermal Bath

Thermal pools with various temperatures, sauna, massage – relaxation guaranteed

Day 7

Morning

Back to our traditions - Handicrafts in the town centre, House of Arts - introduction of crafts typical to the region

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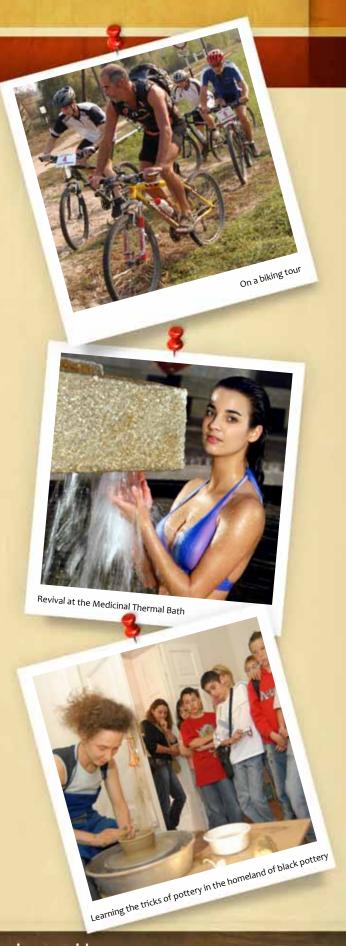
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Afternoon

Walk in the English Garden of the Károlyi Castle in Nagymágocs

The Estate Granary near the castle is well worth a visit (timber internal structure, built by Miklós Ybl)



Offers for anglers





Quiet! It's a catch

Length: 230 cm Weight: 74 kg

Fish, game, and.... new sports mates

Offers for anglers

Sports Fishing Association of Szentes

6600 Szentes, Ady E. u. 12. Phone: +36-63/313-631

The Szentes microregion is a real angler's paradise. Enthusiasts may take advantage of the unique fish stock of the Tisza, Körös, Kórógy, Veker and Kurca rivers. In addition, a number of fish ponds are also available. (Szentes Szegvár, Eperjes and Derekegyház.

Rivers are popular spots for angling. On the Szentes section of these waters the fish stock is regularly looked after by the Sports Fishing Association of Szentes. Most frequent fishes include carp, pike-perch, catfish and pike. There are a number of fishponds in Szentes, too

The Fishing Department of the Fábiánsebestyén Kinizsi Sports Club provides enthusiasts with two angling spots. The rich fauna of the region is not only a paradise for hunters and anglers, but also provides an abundance of opportunities for bird watching and photography.

Szegvár Sports Fishing Association - Péter Tóth 6635 Szegvár, Kontra u. 17/a. Phone: +36-63/364-323

"Kurca-völgye" Environment, Water and Nature Protection Association Szegvár

6635 Szegvár, Régiposta u. 1. Phone: +36-63/364-031, www.kurca.hu

Eperjes Farmers' Association

6624 Eperjes, Béke u. 34. Phone: +36-30/310-3948

The Király Lake (in Eperjes) is a good spot for fishing carp, bream and crucian, while the Király Garden may provide pleasant relaxation.

Hunting and Kéktó Ecotouristic Park Dalerd private limited company - András Szabó Principal Hunter

6621 Derekegyház, Külterület 5/3. Phone: +36-30/415-7092 www.dalerd.hu

In Derekegyház, the Kórógy Stream and the Kéktó Ecotouristic Park may promise anglers a rich catch, including carps weighing more than 10 kilograms, grey catfish and American catfish.

Offers for hunters

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Fish, game, and.... new sports mates

Offers for hunters

Hunting enthusiasts may take advantage of the **extremely rich game stock** of the region. Derekegyház is one of the richest settlements in the region in forests and small game. The manor house style hunting lodge also hallmarks local hunting traditions. Additional outstanding hunting areas include Szentes, Árpádhalom, Eperjes, Nagytőke and Nagymágocs.

Árpádhalmi Hunting Association

6623 Árpádhalom, Szendrei major 15. Phone/Fax: +36-63/363-356, +36-70/317-0945

Hunting and Kéktó Ecotouristic Park Dalerd private limited company - András Szabó, Principal Hunter

6621 Derekegyház, Külterület 5/3. Phone: +36-30/4157-092 www.dalerd.hu Derekegyház is famous for its rich and various game stock, which provides a great experience not only to hunters.

Hunting Association of the Local Government of Fábián-sebestyén Zsolt Uram, Principal Hunter, Phone: +36-30/904-8288.

The Hunting Association of the Local Government of Fábiánsebestyén welcomes visiting hunters from both Hungary and abroad, offering hunts for wild ducks, geese, pheasants, hare and deer. In 2006, this hunting association was awarded the "Spektív" prize of the Csongrád County Chamber of Hunting as the best hunting association organizing deer hunts.

Hunting Association of Szegvár

6635 Szegvár, Dózsa Gy. u. 6. Phone: +36-30/3707-539

Hubertus Hunting Association

6600 Szentes, Rákóczi F. u. 83. Phone: +36-63/314-393, www.szhvt.atw.hu , E-mail: hubertusvt@freemail.hu

Új Barázda Hunting Association

6600 Szentes, Alsórét 185. Phone: +36-63/312-593

Mentettrét Nature and Game Protection Association

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Visit us





Last weekend in February

Farewell to Winter Carnival - Szentes

At the end of February it is time to drive away winter. This is also helped by permanent guests arriving to this event of national importance, including Slovenian "Kurent - Korant " masqueraders and other participants wearing masks and colourful fancy dresses. There are traditional masqueraders, so called "Busó", carnival programmes, cultural programmes, doghnuts, and last but not least mulled wine. Friday programmes always create real carnival fever by offering scary "Busó" events. Following a fancy dress competition held on Saturday, thousands of people march in the streets of Szentes, holding lanterns. These colourful and dynamic events always enchant large audiences. Cultural programs of the gala evening as well as high spirits under hundreds of balloons all contribute to a successful farewell to the cold and gloomy winter.

30 April - 01 May

May Day Celebration - Szentes

The sequence of events is always opened on 30 April by the Town' Brass Band. In every second year a large thematic parade is organized with the participation of local people from all walks of life. Therefore visitors may get an insight to the sports history and international sister town relations of the Szentes microregion, and our EU membership has played an important role, too. A cheerful evening is always guaranteed by the lantern march and the street party, evoking nice memories. The great abundance of May Day events provides joyful entertainment to all generations.

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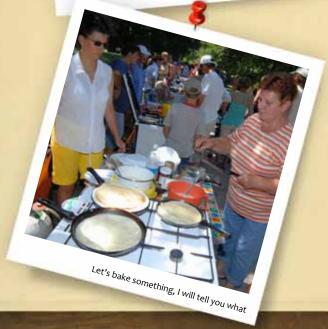
Equestrian Days - Fábiánsebestyén

This event is traditionally organized on on May as one of the greatest tourist attractions of spring. It is also the season opening competition of the National Carriage Driving Championships.

Mid-July

Village Fest - Derekegyház

This day is a good example of the local population's hospitality and the way they can join forces for a common purpose. One of the most interesting events is the pancake frying competition, offering good fun and culinary pleasures. The aim of patricipants is to baking many kinds of pancakes together, that visitors can also taste.



30 April: Gastronomic Procession

Participate at major events held in the microregion.

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Mid-July

Village Days in Szegvár

Guests visiting Szegvár on these days may enjoy a great atmosphere by viewing the so-called village contest or the Szegvár's famous "Fools' Wedding". Visitors wishing to participate may try themselves in an activity show or might as well enter the Hungarian Egg barley cooking competition. The programs comprise a variety of cultural events: exhibitions, meetings with artists, presentations, concerts, thanks to the fact that the village has a rich heritage in craftsmanship. The performance of the local Dobbantó Dance Ensemble is a great dancing-party, where the audience is enraptured with rhythm and dance.

20 August

St. Stephen's Days - Szentes

On this national holiday of thousand years of statehood and the new bread, the town celebrates with a variety of sports and cultural programs and magnificent fireworks, offering great entertainment for everybody.

Last weekend in August

"Kalács" (Milk Bread) Festival-Szegvár

Visitors of the Kalács Festival may get an insight into the gastronomy of Szegvár. The village is famous for its wedding Kalács, but all types of milk bread may be tasted here from braided to filled. Great entertainment is guaranteed by a variety of related programs.

First weekend in September

Szentes Letcho Festival

One of the most popular programs. This famous Hungarian stew is cooked open air in a great number of pots in the streets of the town, home of peppers and tomato. Visitors are welcome to join families and friends and taste this great meal.

Those visiting Szentes at the first weekend of September, may try these two culinary experiences.

Third weekend in September

Wine and Brandy Festival – Szentes

It is not only the possibility of tasting excellent wines and special types of brandy which provides for an excellent atmosphere, but also a large variety of sports and cultural programs. In the heart of the town centre, visitors may taste famous and uniquely Hungarian brandies and wines characteristic of different wine regions, while enjoying an abundance of additional programs.



Boating on the Kurca and playing tennis in the park

The rich fauna and flora of the Kurca River, flowing through the microregion, is a unique treasure of nature.

In the outskirts of Szentes, visitors may discover Europe's second largest thermal lake which also serves as a resting place for migrating birds.

Széchenyi park, the largest green area in Szentes, is an important monument in terms of both botany and cultural history. The park is located on seven hectares, its central part is a botanical garden under environmental protection. Among its old trees one can find valuable Plane, Horse-chestnut and Ash species. Under the latter there are Small- and Large-leaved Lime, Osage-orange and Box-elder trees. Evergreen trees worth mentioning include the ancient Common Yew, the Swamp Cypress, as well as Black and Common Pine trees.

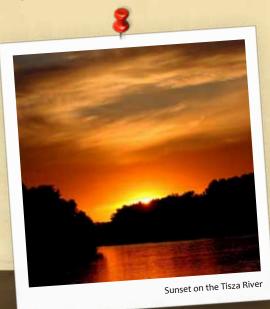
The Cserebökény puszta, part of the Körös-Maros National Park, is famous four its birdlife and ancient grassland, both comprising principal natural treasures, like valuable swamp plant associations, saline grass plots and rare birds. 231 bird species have been observed here, out of which 15 are under strict protection. The most valuable bird species are the Montagu's Harrier, the Red-footed Falcon, the Ferruginous Duck, the Black-winged Stilt, the Pied Avocet, the Blacktailed Godwit, the Common Redshank, the Collared Pratincole, the Corncrake, the Great Bustard, the Eurasian Stone-curlew and the European Roller.

The 40 hectare arboretum-like park of the Károlyi Palace in Nagymágocs is also a unique and rare example of the microregion's natural treasures. The English garden with its ancient oak and pine trees, as well as a 10 hectare pond, is of outstanding beauty. (6622 Nagymágocs, Szentesi u. 2. Phone: +36-63/363-642, +36-70/215-2618

The palace may be visited subject to prior arrangement.

The so-called Királyságpuszta of Eperjes is home to untouched saline areas and protected animals.





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Rich cultural heritage...

County Hall Conference and Cultural Centre

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The imposing renovated building of the former County Hall provides a venue for cultural institutions: in addition to the Szentes Archives of the Csongrád County Archives and the Koszta József Museum, the town operates a Conference and Cultural Centre here on an area of 600 square metres.

The County Hall Conference and Cultural Centre is an excellent venue for holding international and professional conferences, trainings, exhibitions and balls. The institution welcomes visitors in an elegant grand hall, two section halls and technical conditions meeting all expectations.

Koszta József Museum

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Web: www.muzeum.gportal.hu

The museum's rich archaeological collection comprises remains from the stone and bronze ages, as well as from the era of Migration and the Conquest of the Carpathian Basin. In addition to the principal role of archaeological findings, ethnographic and fine arts collections are also significant.





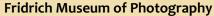




Archives

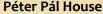
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Being located in the former County Hall, the Archives preserve ancient documents of Csongrád county, the town of Szentes, former districts and villages, such documents dating back up to the 18th century. In addition to 3500 linear metres of documents, there are major collections of maps, posters and photos. Worthy of note is the archives' reference library in history with 12,000 volumes, including the most important national periodicals in history, national and county publications in statistics, settlement name directories, officers' directories, works on the local history of the microregion and old newspapers of Szentes.



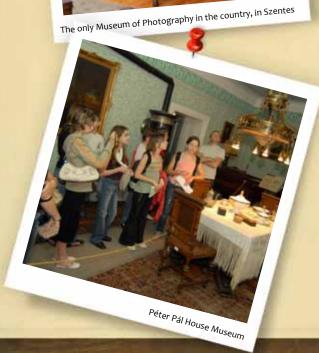
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This current exhibition hall of industrial heritage was built in 1905. On display visitors may view the photos, technical equipment, devices and tools of János Fridrich, his daughters, as well as other photographers who used to operate in Szentes. Visits are subject to prior arrangement.



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The Péter Pál House is a corner building completed in 1830 in neoclassical style, decorated with Tuscan pillars, having a nice garden and an adjoining guesthouse. It is an early example of brickwork architecture in the Great Hungarian Plain. Collections in the main building exhibit relics of middle class lifestyles, medicinal items, musical instruments and textiles. The built-up gallery and the garden provide venues for collections of medicinal herbs and ornamental plants. A lapidarium of local history may be found in the courtyard. Visiting the house is subject to prior arrangement.



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Town Gallery

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The exhibition hall was built expressly for this function; therefore its location and lighting provide excellent opportunities to exhibit works of fine arts. 11 exhibitions are held here in each year, all of them attracting national interest.

Cultural and Youth Centre

Szentes, Tóth József u. 10-14.

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Events, concerts, exhibitions, circles, leisure activities. This institution provides venue for the Great Plain Photo Salon which is an exhibition with national recognition, and the only one presenting the works of art of photographers living in the Great Plain. It also enables the members of various photography clubs to become familiar with each other's works.

Öze Lajos Cinema

Szentes, Nagy Ferenc u. 3., Phone: +36-30/756-6092

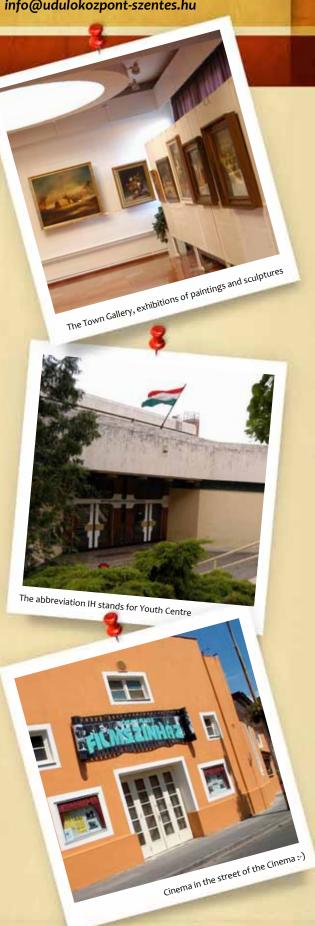
The only cinema in the town, seating 300, is named after the great Hungarian actor Lajos Őze, who was born in Szentes.

Ruins of the Ecseri church

The Ruins of the Ecseri church represent the only medieval monument in the microregion. The remains may still be seen along the public road between Szentes and Szarvas, standing in agricultural fields. The windows of the nave are characteristic of Romanesque style. The Sanctuary has octagonal form, forming an apse with nave on three sides. On the basis of Architectural findings, the construction of the building could date back to the second half of the 13th century.

Nagymágocs – Museum of Local History (former Manor Office)

6622 Nagymágocs, Szentesi út 11. Phone: +36-63/363-004 (Cultural Centre) Visiting the museum is subject to prior arrangement.







Cserna windmill

6625 Fábiánsebestyén, beside the road towards Gádoros – the so called "Malomdűlő"

Phone: +36-63/366-555, Visiting the windmill is subject to prior arrangement.

Visitors to Fábiánsebestyén may view the renovated Cserna windmill which is an architectural monument, preserving rural style. Nowadays it is waiting for the visitor s in a reconstructed form. The ruins of the so-called Puszta-church, located outside the village limits, provide an insight to the early days of this community.

Village Museum

6635 Szegvár, Hunyadi J. u. 31. Phone: +36-63/364-557, +36-30/5459-146

The Baroque County House in Szegvár was built on the site – and by using the materials – of the former Károlyi Palace. Today it serves as a venue for various events.

The unique collection of the Village Museum may be visited in the former Károlyi "Ispánház" (residence of the Comes". The completely intact inner structure of the windmill, completed in 1865, is a magnificent sight. The settlement's rural houses with sunray ornament, dating back to the last century, also represent outstanding ethnographic value. Szegvár's Doll Museum is a real speciality.

Windmill

6635 Szegvár, Sport tér 12. Phone: +36-30/358-5068

Doll Museum

6635 Szegvár, Szentesi u. 14. Phone: +36-63/364-557, +36-30/5459-146

Craftsmanship

House of Arts

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The microregion is very rich in craftsmanship traditions, especially black pottery, carving, wickerwork, embroidery and crockery.

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The main function of the House of Craftsmanship (popular name: "Stork House") is to hold together the still living craftsmen. A series of exhibitions present the past of local handicrafts and the activity of craftsmen still working. In the workshops, visitors may get an insight to the tricks of various handicrafts, try certain tools and master the required techniques.

Dr. László Csíky, portrait and caricature sculptor

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Lajos Cseh, carver

H-6600 Szentes, Rákóczi F. 51/A, Phone: +36-63/315-213

Attila Chemez, carver

H-6600 Szentes, Kurca sor 2., Phone: +36-63/313-559, +36-30/340-7325

András Földi creative children's game manufacturer

H-6621 Derekegyház, Bem u. 29., Tel.: +36-70/7721549

Gombosné Szabó Erzsébet honey-cake maker

H-6622 Nagymágocs, Rózsa u. 42., Tel.: +36-63/363-693

Keraform Studio - László Börönte

H-6600 Szentes, Szondi u. 10., Tel.: +36-63/311-431 E-mail: keraformstudio@vnet.hu

Ivánné Kovács, furniture painter

H-6600 Szentes, Daru u. 5., Phone: +36-63/311-597

Ferenc Szabics Junior, carver

H-6600 Szentes, Dr. Udvardi László u. 17., Phone: +36-63/322-892

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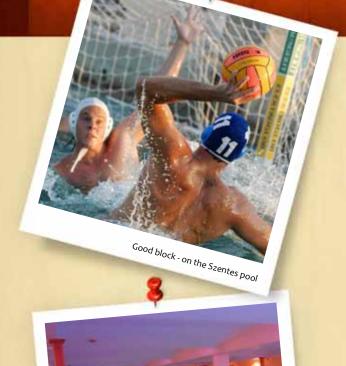
> To bring presents to granny, grandpa,
> Aunt Julcsi, the godparents, Lajos, Ica
> and Dorka Dog



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Szentes, a Sportstown of the Nation...

The adult population is actively engaged in sports and younger generations eagerly follow the example set by leading sportsmen, which is why Szentes deservedly won the "Sportstown of the Nation" award in 1996.

Szentes is one of the strongholds of world famous Hungarian waterpolo. In addition to the first division men's adult team, the town also has women's adult, senior and five junior teams. Szentes has trained several Hungarian, European and world champions in combat sports (kyokushin karate, boxing, kick-box), and the town continues to be a principal centre of junior training in these sports. A number of youth in the microregion is actively engaged in dancesport; many of them became Hungarian champions on several occasions, and achieved good results on the European stage, too.

Márton Lőrinc won a gold metal in Greco-Roman wrestling at the 1936 Summer Olympics in Berlin, and similarly to all other Olympic champions in this year, he received an oak tree for his victory. This tree was planted in Szentes and is one of the few Olympic oak trees which still survive.

In the park located in front of the Dr. Papp László Town Sportshall, visitors may view the Shinto gate which is unique in Europe and was constructed to preserve the memory of Sosai Masutatsu Oyama.

Sports Centre Complex

Dr. Papp László Town Sportshall, open-air sports fields next to the Csongrád road 6600 Szentes, Jövendő u. 1. Phone: +36-63/311-032 E-mail: sportcsarnok@szentes.hu

Tennis

Szentes Recreation Centre, www.udulokozpont-szentes.hu 6600 Szentes, Csallány Gábor part 4. Phone: +36-63/400-100

Next to the swimming pool and bath, visitors and tennis enthusiast may take advantage of the facilities of the tennis centre, comprising 14 hard courts. In the swimming season, players may use the high standard services offered by two indoor tennis halls.

Bowling

Chicago Restaurant and Bowling Pub Szentes, Nagy F. u. 2., Phone: +36-63/562-002 E-mail: chicagobowlingpub@gmail.com Web: www.chicagobowlingpub.hu



Bowling on four lanes

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House of Arts

Szentes, Petőfi u. 4. Phone: +36-63/311-493 info@muveszetekhaza.szentes.hu

Szentes Recreation Centre

Szentes, Csallány Gábor part 4. Phone: +36-63/400-123 info@udulokozpont-szentes.hu

www.szentes.hu

Bowling

Bowling facility 6635 Szegvár, Hunyadi J. u. 38/a. Phone: +36-30/506-6283 www.sztse.atw.hu

Karate, fitness, physiotherapy

Wellness Colosseum, Oyama Dojo SE, H-6600 Szentes, Ady E. u. 27. Enquires: +36-20/924-8263

Underground Paintball-farm

Szentes, Szarvasi út 14., Phone: +36-20/824-2898, E-mail: paintball@szentesen.hu, Web: www.paintball.szentesen.hu

Horseriding, equestrian sports

Szent László Equestrian Sports Club

6600 Szentes, Szent László 5.

Információ: Zsuzsanna Babinszky, Phone: +36-30/852-2660, E-mail: babinszky@vipmail.hu, Web: www.szentlaszlo-lovasklub.hu

Racehorses, show jumping, pension boarding services, horseriding training, horseriding training for groups and individuals. Well-equipped modern stables, sandy riding courses and an indoor riding-hall are at the horsemen's disposal.

IC Ranch Horseriding Association

6600 Szentes, Alsórét 178.

Információ: Csilla Istenes, Phone: +36-30/995-6655, +36-30/915-8697, E-mail: icranch@szentes.hu, Web: www.icranch.hu

Instruction of horseriding, individual and group courses for adults and children; organization and implementation of western and/or horsemanship training courses and camps.

"Jó Úton-Lóháton" Foundation

6600 Szentes, Nádas sétány 3. Phone: +36-30/544-5777 lohaton@tvnetwork.hu, www.jouton-lohaton.hu

The "Jó Úton-Lóháton" Foundation provides horseriding facilities and services for children, youth and adults suffering from mental, social or learning disorders.

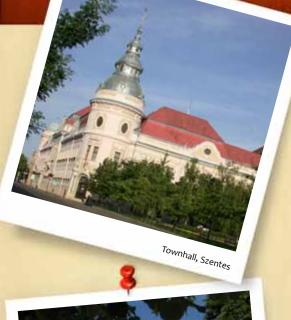
Szentes Kinizsi Equestrian Sports Club

6635 Szegvár, VIII. Külterület 110., Phone: +36-30/3877-104 jkorcsik@gmail.com

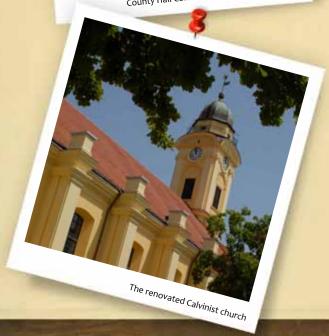
Services are rendered at the Park Woods side of the Széchenyi-Grounds and include pony riding, horse riding, and tours on horse-drawn covered wagons.











Buildings with historic importance...

One of the principal attractions of Kossuth square is the **Townhall** with its corner tower and mansard roof.

An outstanding monument of ecclesiastical architecture is the building of the former Synagogue, which currently houses the Town Library. A praying room has been established in the building.

Szentes' **Calvinist church** is one of the biggest churches is Hungary, and has the longest nave in the Great Plain. Its capacity is 3,500 people, thus having biggest capacity in the town of Szentes. The Felsőpárti Calvinist church is unique due to its brickwork facade decorated with artificial stone elements.

Szentes is also home to the **Szent Miklós Hungarian Orthodox church**, built in 1786. Its iconostasis and wall paintings date back to the same year.

The neogothic profiled brick **Lutheran church**, built in 1904, may be found at Luther square.

The **ornamented well** in the middle of Luther square was built on the first artesian well of Szentes, the existing statutes were made in a French foundry. The principal figure of the well characterizes the meetings and human relations.

Dating back to 1859, the **Horváth Mihály Secondary School** has the longest history among all the schools in Szentes. Its Drama division won national recognition.

The Szent Anna Roman Catholic church is a permanent venue for concerts.

Built in 1912 on the southern part of Erzsébet square, the **Szent Erzsébet Catholic Primary School** is characteristic of the Hungarian Art Nouveau style.

Located in Árpádhalom, the **Palace of Count Lipótné Berchtold** is currently used as a school, nursery and cultural centre. Not far from the castle, visitors may view the **catholic church** with wooden beams which is unique in this region.

The village of Derekegyház evolved from the manor erected by Count Sándor Károlyi in 1772. The baroque – late baroque (Zopf) – manor-house and the adjoining 150 hectare park is a historical monument, today operating as a senior citizen's home.

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Relaxation, healing, recreation...

Szentes Recreation Centre Nonprofit Ltd.

Szentes, Csallány Gábor part 4., Phone: +36-63/400-123, E-mail: info@udulokozpont-szentes.hu, Web: www.udulokozpont-szentes.hu

The Szentes Recreation Centre welcomes its visitors in a pleasant environment, offering various opportunities for relaxation and recreation. Those wishing to relax may take advantage of the services of thermal pools (adventure features), a sauna and a bubble bath, while sports enthusiasts may use swimming pools and water slides. The Water Slide Complex comprises a family slide, as well as Kamikaze and Anaconda slides. Small children may enjoy themselves in two children's pools with water slides, a bubble bath and a pool for splashing. The beautiful environment and the wide range of services provide fun and revival for all generations.

The location of the campsite and the holiday lodges is unique in its type. The campsite and the swimming pool share the same premises in a one hectare green environment. The two- and four-bedded new or renewed stone and wooden houses offer accommodation throughout the year, while the wooden houses with bunk beds welcome visitors from early spring to late autumn.

At the Szentes Recreation Centre, guests may rent canoes, kayaks, boats, waterbikes and bicycles.









Thermal Medicinal Bath

Szentes, Ady E. u. 44., Phone: +36-63/313-765 Cashier: +36-63/313-766,

Email: gyogyfurdo@szentesi-korhaz.hu,

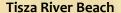
Web: www.szentes.hu

The Thermal Medicinal Bath, characteristic of Turkish baths, is supplied with 71 oC medicinal water from a 1735 metre deep well bored in 1957 on the premises of the nearby hospital. The alkali hydrogen-carbonate, fluoride medicinal water is suitable for treating rheumatic, locomotor and chronic gynaecological diseases. In addition to various water and electro-therapeutic treatments, the institution also comprises a sanatorium with 15 beds, offering day treatment. Guests wishing to heal may use five pools with five different temperatures, being located under the dome, as well as one tent-covered medicinal pool operating in winter.

Supplementary services: sauna, massage

Aquatic services: pools, sparkling bath, underwater whirlpool bath, weight-bath, tub bath, four-chamber galvan, dry and aquatic gymnastics.

Electric and physiotherapeutic treatments: galvan, iontoforesis, stimulus current, short wave, decimetre wave, ultrasound, microwave, sollux, laser.



along the road leading to Csongrád

The sandy bank of the romantic Tisza River Beach is located at approximately 5 kilometres from the town centre. In summer, lovers of nature may enjoy sunbathing and swimming here in a calm and peaceful environment. There are snack bars, a playground and foot tennis courts at the guests' disposal. More adventurous visitors are welcome to camp rough.



Would fancy a boat trip...

Air mattress, swim ring, watering pot, as well as last year s swimming costume in case your child wants to roll in the mud, on the bank of the Tisza River.



www.szentes.hu

Accommodation possibilities in the microregion

Szentes Recreation Centre – Thermal Campsite, Holiday lodges

6600 Szentes, Csallány Gábor part 4. Phone: +36-63/400-123 E-mail: udulohazak@udulokozpont-szentes.hu Web: www.udulokozpont-szentes.hu

Páterház Guesthouse

6600 Szentes, Kossuth u. 1. Phone/Fax: +36-63/444-112, +36-30/935-9435

Aranykalász Restaurant and Guesthouse

6600 Szentes, Apponyi tér 18. Phone/Fax: +36-63/312-046, +36-20/9556-442 Web: www.aranykalasz.szentes.hu E-mail: aranykalasz@pannongsm.hu

Bástya Guesthouse, Pub and Squash room

6600 Szentes, Tavasz u. 1. Phone: +36-63/440-450, +36-30/223-6462 E-mail: bastyapanzio@freemail.hu

Éjjeli Bagoly Guesthouse

6600 Szentes, Apponyi tér 15/a, Phone: +36-63/313-822, +36-30/314-4371, E-mail: dezso62@freemail.hu, Web: www.ejjelibagoly.hu

Hajnal Guesthouse

Without the town limits of Szentes, along the public road to Nagytőke. 6600 Szentes, Hékéd 6. Phone: +36-63/400-149, +36-30/995-7339

Holdfény Guesthouse

6600 Szentes, Arany János u. 8. Phone/Fax: +36-63/444-076, +36-30/293-4581 E-mail: hpanzio@szentes.hu

Berekhát Guesthouse

6600 Szentes, Berekhát 11/b. Phone: +36-30/9454-737, Fax: +36-63/321-092 E-mail: kun@vnet.hu

Terney Béla Hostel

6600 Szentes, Jövendő u. 6. Phone: +36-63/311-544, +36-63/311-616. E-mail: terney@freemail.hu

Anita Guesthouse

6600 Szentes, József Attila u. 29. Phone:+36-30/244-5150, E-mail: anitaagoston@freemail.hu

Napsugár – Apartment Building

6600 Szentes, Kiss Zsigmond u. 22., Phone: +36-30/531-9149

Szin-es Guesthouse

6600 Szentes, Hajdú Lajos utca 1. Telefon: +36-63/562-830, Fax: +36-63/562-831, Mobil: +36-30/203-0445 E-mail: eszem.abc@invitel.hu

Hunting Lodge of Dalerd Zrt.

6621 Derekegyház, Ördöngös 1. Phone: +36-63/453-045 www.dalerd.hu

Zsolt Sárai

6621 Derekegyház, Ördöngös 34. Phone: +36-70/569-2017 E-mail: sarai.zsolt@freemail.hu

Tourist Hostel

6622 Nagymágocs, Szentesi út 11. Phone: +36-63/363-004

Gomba Guesthouse

6625 Fábiánsebestyén, Köztársaság u. 27. Phone: +36-63/366-464 E-mail: gombapanzio@invitel.hu

Castellum Guesthouse and Restaurant

6635 Szegvár, Régiposta u. 3. Phone: +36-63/364-375, +36-70/2155-926 E-mail: panzio@szegvar.hu, Web: www.megapress.hu/panzio

Center Guesthouse

Guesthouse – Discotheque – Organization of events 6635 Szegvár, Kis u. 3. Phone: +36-20/9568-497

Rural accommodation

The village of Szegvár offers a number of rural accommodation options, including a high-standard hostel and guesthouses, for visitors wishing to relax or go cycling, horse riding, angling, boating, watercycling, hiking or horse-drawn carriage riding. The history of the village may be discovered through village walks on heritage routes. Days spent here may be made enjoyable by rich cultural life and diverse gastronomy. Visitors may have a go trying local handicrafts like wickerwork, pottery, spinning and weaving.

Association of Village Tourism (Country Tourism Society Szegvár)

6635 Szegvár, Kontra u. 52/a. Tel.: +36-30/2349931 E-mail: gajdapeter@yahoo.ca Web: www.szegvar.hu

Let's meet in Szentes!





The Szentes Microregion is located in the South Plain, in the northeast of Csongrád county. Its natural borders are the Tisza river on the west, and the Hármas-Körös river on the east. The centre of the microregion is Szentes, the third largest town in Csongrád county with a population of more than 30,000 people. The microregion also comprises two large – Szegvár and Nagymágocs – and five small – Fábiánsebestyén, Derekegyház, Eperjes, Árpádhalom and Nagytőke – villages.

Access to the Microregion:

- On public road, the microregion may be reached from Budapest on the M5 motorway and main road No. 451 Distance from Budapest: 150 kilometres From the north (Szolnok-Kunszentmárton): on main road No. 45 distance from Szolnok: 70 kilometres, From the east (Romania Kiszombor Makó): on main road No. 43 distance from Timisoara: 150 kilometres, From the south: (Serbia-Szeged): on main roads 47 and 45 distance from Szeged: 55 kilometres
- The town of Szentes is a major railway junction.
- Guests arriving by water or air may use the town's river harbour or airfield.
- Szentes is also attractive to those choosing the bicycle as a means of transport.
 The Szentes-Csongrád bicycle track is part of the EuroVelo European cycle route network.



Baja

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Békéscsaba

5600 Békéscsaba, Szent István tér 9. Phone/Fax: +36-66/441-261 bekescsaba@tourinform.hu

Csongrád

6640 Csongrád, Szentháromság tér 8. Phone/Fax: +36-63/570-325 csongrad@tourinform.hu

Gyomaendrőd

5500 Gyomaendrőd, Erzsébet liget 2. Phone/Fax: +36-66/386-851 gyomaendrod@tourinform.hu

Gyula

5700 Gyula, Kossuth u. 7. Phone: +36-66/561-681 Phone/Fax: +36-66/561-680 gyula@tourinform.hu

Hódmezővásárhely

6800 Hódmezővásárhely, Szőnyi u. 1. Tel.: +36-62/249-350, Fax: +36-62/530-132 hodmezovasarhely@tourinform.hu

Tourinform bureaus in the Southern Great Plain

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6000 Kecskemét, Kossuth tér 1. Phone/Fax: +36-76/481-065 kecskemet@tourinform.hu

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6200 Kiskőrös, Petőfi tér 4/a. Phone: +36-78/514-851 Phone/Fax: +36-78/514-850 kiskoros@tourinform.hu

Kiskunfélegyháza

6100 Kiskunfélegyháza, Szent János tér 2. Phone: +36-76/561-420, +36-76/561-421

Fax: +36-76/561-414 kiskunfelegyhaza@tourinform.hu

Kiskunmajsa

6120 Kiskunmajsa, Zárda u. 2. Phone/Fax: +36-77/481-327 kiskunmajsa@tourinform.hu

Kistelek

6760 Kistelek, Kossuth u. 5-7. Phone: +36-62/597-420, +36-62/597-421 Fax: +36-62/598-101 kistelek@tourinform.hu

Kunszentmiklós

6090 Kunszentmiklós, Kossuth L. u. 1./a Phone/Fax: +36-76/351-271 kunszentmiklos@tourinform.hu

Makó

6900 Makó, Széchenyi tér 8. Phone/Fax: +36-62/210-708 mako@tourinform.hu

Maroshát

5820 Mezőhegyes, Béke park 1. Phone/Fax: +36-68/466-830 mezohegyes@tourinform.hu

Mórahalom

6782 Mórahalom, Röszkei u. 1. Phone/Fax: +36-62/280-294 morahalom@tourinform.hu

Ópusztaszer

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Orosháza

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Pusztamérges

6785 Pusztamérges, Móra tér 4. Phone/Fax: +36-62/286-702 pusztamerges@tourinform.hu

Ruzsa

6786 Ruzsa, Alkotmány tér 2. Phone/Fax: +36-62/285-150 ruzsa@tourinform.hu

Körös-Sárrét

5520 Szeghalom, Szabadság tér 4-8. Phone/Fax: +36-66/470-395 szeghalom@tourinform.hu

Szarvas

5540 Szarvas, Kossuth tér 3. Phone/Fax: +36-66/311-140 szarvas@tourinform.hu

Szeged

6720 Szeged, Dugonics tér 2. Phone/Fax: +36-62/488-690 szeged@tourinform.hu