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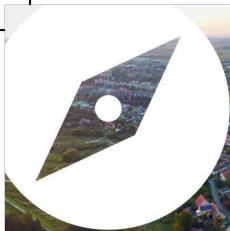


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# PADDLE into Paradise

*Rába Valley Water Adventures*



# A COMPASS *on the Waterways*

Körmend and its region are closely linked to the waters of the Alps. Rivers and streams running down from the hills have formed the face of the landscape, creating a fabulous habitat.

Just like our vascular system, watercourses weave their way through the land. They connect its elements, transport materials from one place to another, and constantly shape the land, thus bringing life to the landscape.

For centuries, the Rába, the Pinka, the Strém, and the Csörnök-Herpenyő, together with their smaller tributaries, have shaped the landscape to become fabulously diverse, even with varying degrees of human intervention.

Floodplain woodlands that bloom in spring, ever-changing islands, gravel and sand reefs that are ideal resting places for water tours, tributaries and backwaters, river terraces populated by settlements, hillsides dotted with forests, vineyards and orchards, high banks favoured by bird colonies, colourful marshes and swamps...

Real and dreamlike at the same time, unspoiled nature is a key ingredient in this special mix that the landscape has to offer.

It is so easy to fall in love with it. You only need to come and see it for yourself.

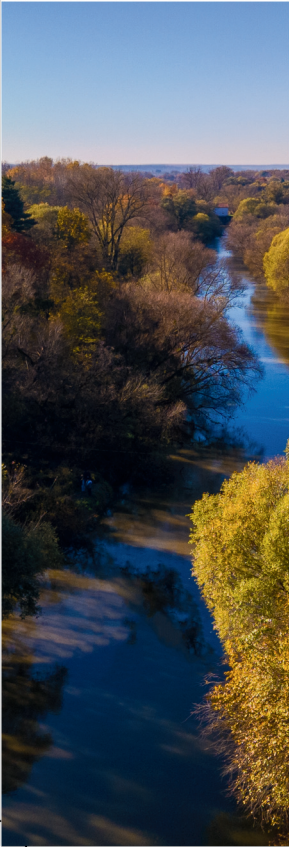




# Rivers & Streams

*Enjoy the Flow*

## *The Rába*



The unregulated upper reaches of the Rába is considered the country's wildest waterway. Unlike the rest of Hungary's rivers it has preserved its bed and characteristics, the natural integrity of its banks. This is why the Rába offers the most natural river experience in Hungary, with an almost pristine wilderness surrounding paddlers along the entire trip.

Dotted with gravel and sand banks, reefs, bends, and rushing sections, the Rába's upper reach is a favourite destination for water hikers and also a wonderful experience for families who are just discovering the natural waters.

## The Pinka



Rising in Austria, it enters Hungary first through the Pinka Gorge and then crosses the border several times heading south. Its water quality is excellent: some of the best trout in Hungary are raised here. And just across the border, in the nature reserves of Lusing and Hagensdorf, Austria's largest chess flower population beckons with its charm in the springtime.

## The Strém

This stream of many names is the preserver of the ancient border protection system: it is believed that the oldest, Csík was the name brought to Transylvania by the former Szekler border guards and became the name of Csíkszék. If you want to follow the history of the Batthyányi family from Körmend to Güssing, you can trace the path along the Strém valley.



# WATER TOURS

*Grab an Oar*



If you've ever been on a water trip or participated in a water camp as a child you've definitely had an experience of a lifetime.

Körmend is the ideal base for both the unregulated upper and the regulated lower reaches of the Rába.

A water tour on the Rába is not only a pleasure, but also a challenge, a thrill, and an adrenaline rush. Guided group excursions are also recommended for beginners, families, and groups of friends.

And last but not least a tour on the Rába is also a great way to boost team spirit in any company.



More Info:



## From Csákánydoroszló to Körmend

 15 km

 Class I Rapids

 2 to 4 hours



The starting point of the tour is the Visitor Centre in Csákánydoroszló, where an exciting exhibition awaits you. On the stretch between Csákánydoroszló and Körmend you can paddle calmly as the dam in Körmend tames the river. After the picturesque mouth of the Pinka, you can relax at Bárkaház campsite.

## From Körmend to Molnasszecsöd

In Körmend having left the Ecotourism Centre, but before reaching the bridge, you can wave goodbye to the Batthyány Castle, as from that point you are in wild nature. Fallen trees, islands and reefs of all sizes provide an exciting background for a pleasant paddle.

 15 km

 Class I Rapids

 3-5 Stunden



# LAKES

## Placid Waters



### Lake Döröske



The valleys running down to the Rába hide charming villages. Surrounded by picturesque hills and woods, the lake fed by the Malom stream is the jewel of Döröske, so it's no wonder that it is very popular by anglers and families with children.

Döröske is also famous for its medieval church.

### Lake Vadása

Hidden among mighty pine and oak trees, the lake, also known as the Miracle of the Órség, is fed by 12 springs making its water always crystal clear.



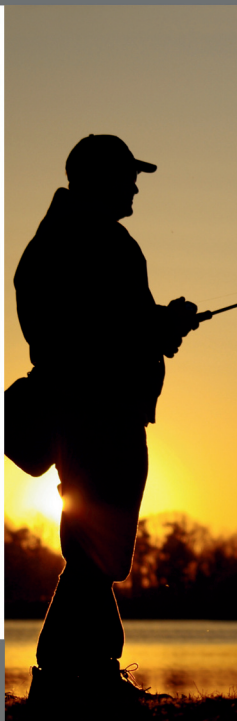




# FISHING

## *Tight Lines*

Swift-flowing streams, calm waters slowed by dams, shady ponds where trout and snep are skipping, crystal-clear lakes of former gravel pits with giant carps and pikes. Fishing enthusiasts will find streams, rivers, and lakes of excellent water quality in a wild and scenic setting. The region's waters are looked after very well. In recent years, re-creation and revitalisation projects have been carried out on the Pinka and the Csörnöc-Herpenyő, among others, to rejuvenate natural waters.



## *Fishing Waters*



Lake Döröske



Lake Magyarszecsőd



Lake Pinkaminszent



Lake Vadása



The Csörnöc



The Pinka



The Rába



# TOURISM CENTRES

*Close to Water*

## *Ecotourism Centre*



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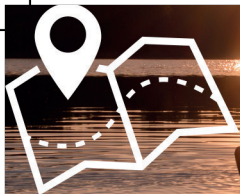
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# MAP

Find a Miracle!



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