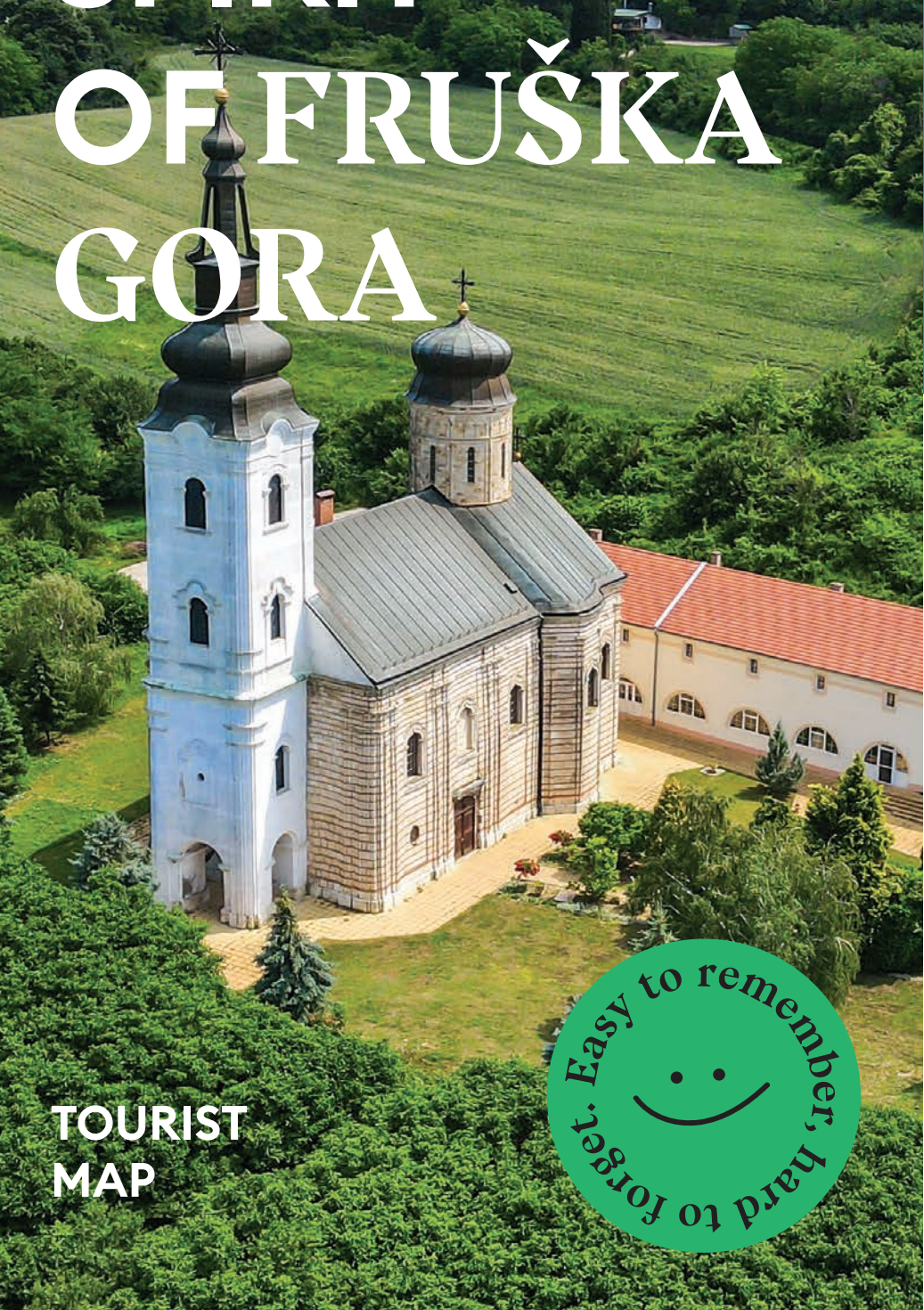


# FEEL THE SPIRIT OF FRUŠKA GORA



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## About Fruška Gora

Fruška Gora, today a mountain and in the past an island in the middle of the sea, stretches along the southern edge of the Pannonian Basin, in the confluence of the Sava and Danube rivers, and represents a unique spatial, natural and cultural-historical entity. It owes its name to two Old Slavic words, Frug (Franks) and Gora (mountain), indicating the origin of its former inhabitants.



Stretching east-west in a length of about 80 kilometres, Fruška Gora exceeds the altitude of 500 meters only in a few places. The peaks of Crveni (539 meters) and Isin čot (523 meters) stand out. The highest central part is overgrown with deciduous forest, while the lower slopes are covered with meadows and fruit and vine plantations brought to these areas by the ancient Romans. Alma Mons or "fertile mountain", as it was called, is inhabited by a variety of fauna – insects, mammals, amphibians, reptiles and birds.

In a picturesque hilly landscape interspersed with stream valleys, numerous monasteries lie hidden in the forest vegetation and for this reason this mountain is also famous as the Serbian Mount Athos. The cultural and historical heritage of Fruška Gora consists of village churches, archaeological sites and National Liberation War monuments located along the ridge road.

The most visited tourist locations are Vrdnik Spa, Sremski Karlovci, lakes and numerous picnic areas such as Iriški venac and Stražilovo. Fans of active tourism have a large number of trails for walking and cycling as well as horse riding and an adrenaline park



at their disposal. The gastronomic and oenological offer here is rich and the wine routes are divided into as many as six directions.

Due to its exceptional natural and cultural values and the need to preserve them, Fruška Gora was declared the first National Park in Serbia in 1960. All visitors have the opportunity to enjoy the protected area of 26,672 hectares, minding that their activities do not damage the environment.



## Monasteries

Monasteries of Fruška Gora are the spiritual and cultural heritage of the Serbian people. Over 30 of them were built throughout history and this mountain took the name Serbian Mount Athos. To this day, 16 monasteries, which were built in the period from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 18<sup>th</sup> century and whose construction is related to the Serbian Branković dynasty and the period of resistance against the Turkish invaders, have been preserved and six more have been founded in recent times.



The turbulent history of this location did not bypass the monasteries either so they were repeatedly destroyed or rebuilt. The period of intensive renovation of the old monasteries of Fruška Gora and establishment of new ones has been going on for several decades. Today, these witnesses of centuries of suffering and elevation of the Serbian people, are places of faith and spirituality but also an unavoidable part of tourist itineraries and pilgrimage.



Each of the monasteries preserves something special that attracts believers, but also all those who are curious to visit them again and again and explore their hidden treasures. Many famous people stayed in these shrines and some became monks right here, as Dostojevski Obradović did in the Novo Hopovo Monastery.



The relics of the Serbian greats – Arsenije III Črnačević, Arsenije IV Jovanović, King Milan Obrenović and many others rest in the Krušedol Monastery. The most famous Serbian icon artists and painters decorated the walls of Fruška Gora monasteries and so the Grgeteg Monastery is decorated with an iconostasis made by Uroš Predić. The park surrounding the Beočin Monastery is interesting because it resembles the Gardens of Versailles – It was created by French gardeners as an imitation of this famous European park. Anyone who takes the time to explore these magnificent buildings will be rewarded with unique experiences and an unforgettable feel that will be remembered for a long time.

## Wineries

Fruška Gora is an area of good wines, where many places have developed as centres of wine tourism. The first grapevine on Fruška Gora was planted by the Roman Emperor Marcus Aurelius Probus in the 3<sup>rd</sup> century. Thanks to him, the viticulture of this area is among the oldest in Europe, so the wines of Fruška Gora have attracted people with refined taste since ancient times.



The famous varieties are Riesling, Frankovka, Merlot, Gamma, Vranac, Portugiser, Ausbruch, Chardonnay, Župljanka, Sauvignon, Traminac, Neoplanta, Sila, Probus, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Pinot Red, as well as Bermet – an authentic dessert wine. It is made exclusively from grapes from the slopes of Fruška Gora and is enriched with almost 30 types of aromatic herbs.

Fruška Gora is dominated by family wineries that combine the multi-generational tradition of wine production with new technologies in such a way that every family wine story has a recognizable note and aroma. And drinking wine in the place where it is produced is a special experience. With tastings in wineries and wine cellars, it is possible to learn a lot about the long tradition, the method of wine production, as well as the little wine secrets, all this seasoned with a pleasant atmosphere with a Srem appetizer, poppy seed strudel or kuglof.

The Tourism Organisation of the City of Novi Sad has created six wine routes, namely: Novi Sad Wine Route (wineries in the Municipality of Novi Sad, Rakovica and Temerin wineries and wine cellars), Wines of Ornate Srem (Beočin, Čerević and Banoštor), Sremski



Karlovci – Wine Galaxy (wineries in Sremski Karlovci), Vineyards in the Embrace of the Danube, with a view of the Tisza (wineries of the eastern part of Fruška Gora – Krčedin, Slankamen, Indija), In the Footsteps of the Odeskalki Noble Family (wineries of the western part of Fruška Gora – Susek, Neštin, Erdevik, Šid, Bikić Do ) and Irig Wine Stories (Irig, Mala Remeta, Rivica, Neradin).



## Nature and Active Holiday

The wealth of flora and fauna, beautiful landscapes, forest complexes and mountain clearings, thermal springs and lakes are the basis for numerous activities in nature (hiking, cycling, observing rare plant species and birds, hunting, fishing), but also for recreational and excursion programs, schools in nature, as well as health tourism.



Fans of active holidays can try field horse riding and equestrian camps organized by equestrian clubs, organized hiking on Fruška Gora, activities at the Adventure Center in Vrdnik, excursion programs of the Fruška Gora National Park, as well as riding on specialized terrain for mountain and extreme cycling in Bukovac.

Organized hiking on Fruška Gora has a long tradition among residents of Novi Sad. Marked trails usually start from well-known Fruška Gora picnic areas. There are beautiful landscapes of deciduous forests and meadows, viewpoints, streams, lakes, as well as monasteries and NOB monuments on the hiking trails. The best and safest way to get to know Fruška Gora is through organized hikes by mountaineering associations (PSD Poštar, PSD Železničar, PD Naftaš, PD Fruška Gora, PD Vilina vodica and others) or mountaineering organized by a tourist agency.

Adventure Center Fruška Gora in Vrdnik organizes numerous recreational and adventure activities: hiking and cycling tours, archery, adrenaline park, children's scout camp, team building programs. In addition to recreation in nature, visitors



to Fruška Gora can enjoy a more peaceful holiday at one of the picnic areas or lakes.

The most visited picnic areas are: Iriški Venac, Stražilovo, Popovica, Zmajevac, Brankovac, Andrevlje, Ležimir and Letenka. Among the numerous lakes for tourism, the following are important: Borkovac, Sot, Bruje, Moharač and Medeš.



## Events on Fruška Gora

### Cultural Events

**Shakespeare Festival**, Villa Stanković in Čortanovač – June/July  
**Karlovci Film Festival**, Sremski Karlovci – August  
**New Fortress Theatre**, Villa Stanković in Čortanovač – September  
**Brankovo kolo**, Sremski Karlovci, Stražilovo – September

### Wine Events

**Wine Days in Rivica** – February/March  
**Banoštor Grape Days**, Banoštor – September  
**Pudar Days**, Irig – September  
**Karlovci Grape Harvest Days**, Sremski Karlovci – October  
**Day of Young Portugieser**, Irig – November

### Gastronomic Events

**Kuglof Festival**, Sremski Karlovci – May  
**Sačijada**, Stražilovo – June  
**Srem Kulen Fest**, Erdevik – June  
**Food festival "Al' se nekad dobro jelo baš"**, Rakovac – October

### Special Interests Events

**Children and parents hiking together**, Fruška Gora – March, May, September and October  
**Night Eco Festival "Star Triathlon"**, Popovica – June  
**Astronomy Camp**, Letenka – July  
**Meetings of Mushroom Pickers on Fruška Gora**, Fruška Gora Picnic Areas/Mountain Lodges – October

### Sports Events

**Mountaineering Marathon on Fruška Gora**, Popovica – April/May  
**"Tour de Fruška"**, Vrdnik – May  
**"Night Challenge Fruška Gora"**, Iriški venac – August  
**Bukovac Marathon**, Bukovac – September  
**Autumn Mountaineering Marathon**, Popovica – October  
**"OCR Challenge Fruška Gora"**, Vrdnik – October  
**Open Fruška Gora Championship in Mountain Running**, Glavica – November  
**"Winter Trail Race Fruška Gora"**, Iriški venac – December

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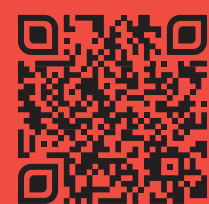
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## Tourist Locations

Thanks to its favourable location, climatic and natural features, Fruška Gora was favourable for human settlement. The network of Fruška Gora settlements consists of 41 places in whose vicinity individual cottages or weekend settlements have been built, while Sremski Karlovci, Irig and Vrdnik stand out for their cultural and historical importance and the development of the tourist offer.



### Sremski Karlovci

The fairy tale town of Sremski Karlovci has an exceptional place in the history of the Serbs – It was the seat of the Serbian Metropolitanate and the second Seminary in the Orthodox world was founded here, as well as the first Serbian Grammar School. It is decorated with cultural monuments and institutions founded mainly during the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries, and among them the Patriarchate Court, the Orthodox Cathedral and the Chapel of Peace stand out. The people of Karlovci have become famous for good wine and viticulture, as well as the most famous delicacy from Karlovci – kuglof.

### Irig

This charming town, which sprung up on the southern slopes of the mountain, is surrounded by orchards and vineyards and its inhabitants are known for the production of quality wines. The old city centre was formed between the 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, in the period when Irig was one of the most important trade centres in Vojvodina. In that period, the First Serbian Reading Room was founded, which today has a collection of twenty thousand books and a rich collection of paintings.



### Vrdnik

Vrdnik Spa is known for its healing thermal water, indoor and outdoor pools, as well as various accommodation facilities and modern hotel complexes that offer numerous amenities for quality rest, entertainment and recreation. In the immediate vicinity of the spa there are numerous hiking and cycling trails, the Tower of Vrdnik – part of the former fortified town of Vrdnik, the Ravanica Monastery and the Zmajevac picnic area.



## Cultural and Historical Heritage

Turbulent historical events, as well as the intertwining of the influences of different peoples, left a strong mark on the culture of this area. In addition to the monasteries, the cultural heritage of Fruška Gora includes: cultural and historical units, folk architecture, ethnological heritage, cultural monuments and famous places.



Rising above the Danube on the Petrovaradin Rock, the landscape is dominated by an imposing building – the Petrovaradin Fortress, one of the most complex fortification-urban units and the best-preserved fortresses in Europe. Considerably smaller and less preserved but for tourists a very attractive place to visit is Vrdnik Tower, which consists of the ruins of a fortified medieval castle. Both fortifications are under protection, the former as an immovable cultural property of great importance for the Republic of Serbia and the latter as a cultural monument.



The Chapel of Peace in Sremski Karlovci and the Site of the Battle at Vezirac near Petrovaradin are of great historical importance, and the Village House in Neštin stands out as a fine example of folk architecture.



In the 1960s, Fruška Gora was declared an area of special importance for the National



Liberation War (NOB) in the Second World War in Vojvodina. Traces of anti-fascist history are inscribed in the area of Fruška Gora, residents' memories, museum exhibits and historical reading books. The Tourism Organisation of the City of Novi Sad has included part of the NOB monuments and famous places along Partizanski put, which connects Banstol on the eastern side and Neštin on the western side of Fruška Gora, in a special tourist route called "Ustanička Fruška Gora" (Insurgent Fruška Gora).

## Accommodation and Gastronomy

Many and varied accommodation facilities are available to everyone who plans a multi-day stay on Fruška Gora without leaving the natural environment. Some of them have space and equipment for organizing congresses and business meetings. In order to make a visit to Fruška Gora a pleasure for all senses, there are numerous restaurants with a rich offer of food and drinks.



### Accommodation

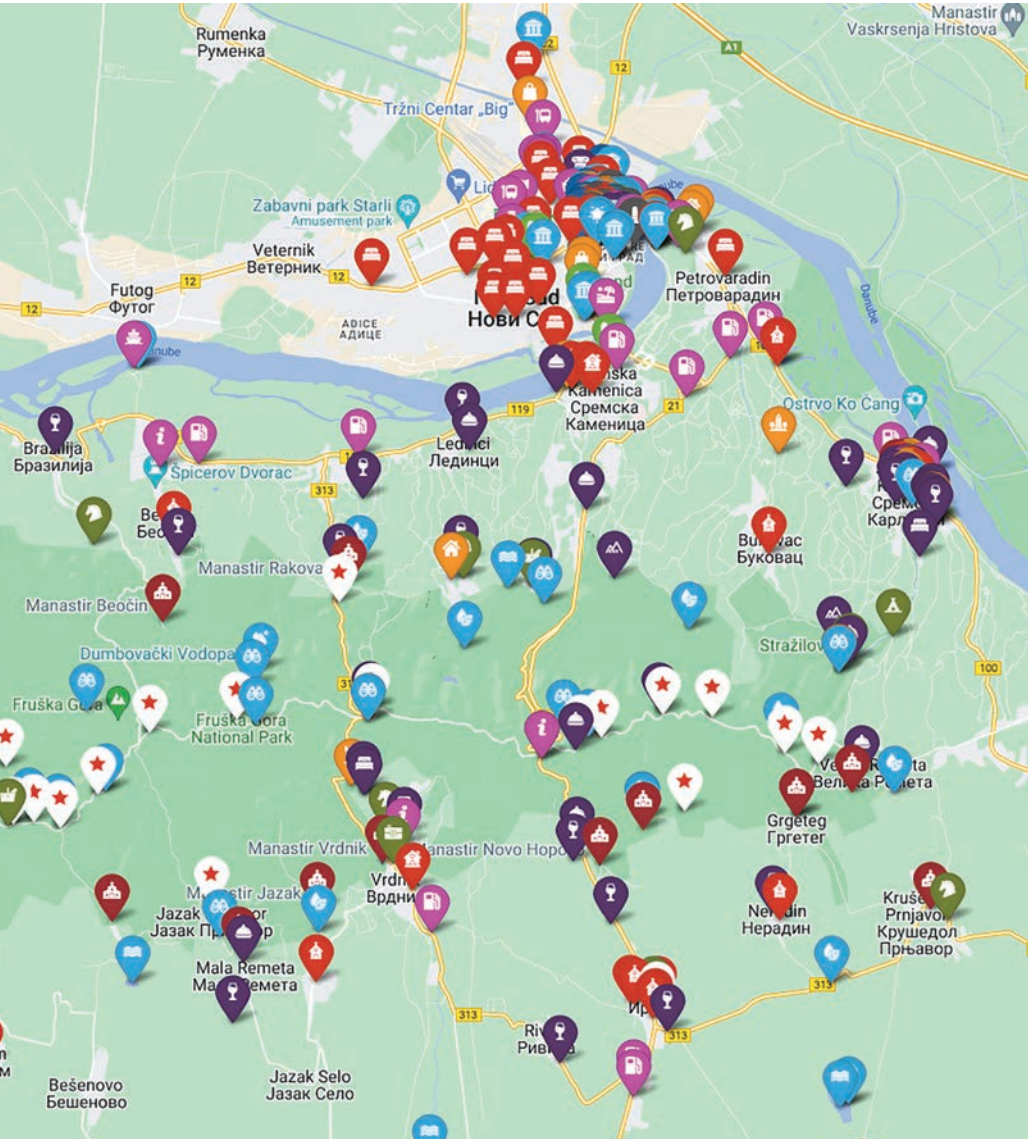
The offer of accommodation and accompanying facilities is diverse, both in the protected area of the national park, and in settlements and weekend settlements along the entire mountain. For lovers of untouched nature and active holidays, in addition to hotels, they also offer lodgings, country tourist households, mountain lodges, a camp on Stražilovo, as well as a glamping resort on Banstol. In the Vrdnik Spa, it is possible to stay in luxury spa and wellness hotels, but also in privately owned apartments and rooms. Country households offer their guests, in addition to accommodation, the opportunity to participate in the preparation of traditional dishes, learn about old crafts and collect medicinal herbs and mushrooms.

### Gastronomy

Vast hunting grounds, vineyards and orchards, lakes and the Danube River, a wealth of plant and animal life, are the foundations for the creation of a diverse cuisine. The local gastronomy has been enriched by numerous peoples who have



moved to these areas over the centuries. National vegetables and meat specialties, as well as the famous Srem kulen, sausage and bacon, are presented on the tables of Fruška Gora restaurants. Hunting cuisine – venison and wild boar steaks are a real delicacy for gourmets. There are also noodles, strudels, doughnuts, dumplings, kuglof and various sweets enriched with new flavours. Numerous chardas have anchored along the Danube where they prepare specialties of catfish, perch, carp, bream and the widely famous fish soup.



DIGITAL MAP OF FRUŠKA GORA AND NOVI SAD

# EXPLORE FRUŠKA GORA AND NOVI SAD



- Over 700 marked tourist attractions
- Navigation to destination
- Wineries and restaurants
- Hiking trails
- Public transport and more





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  - Lake
  - Ferry on the Danube
  - Beach
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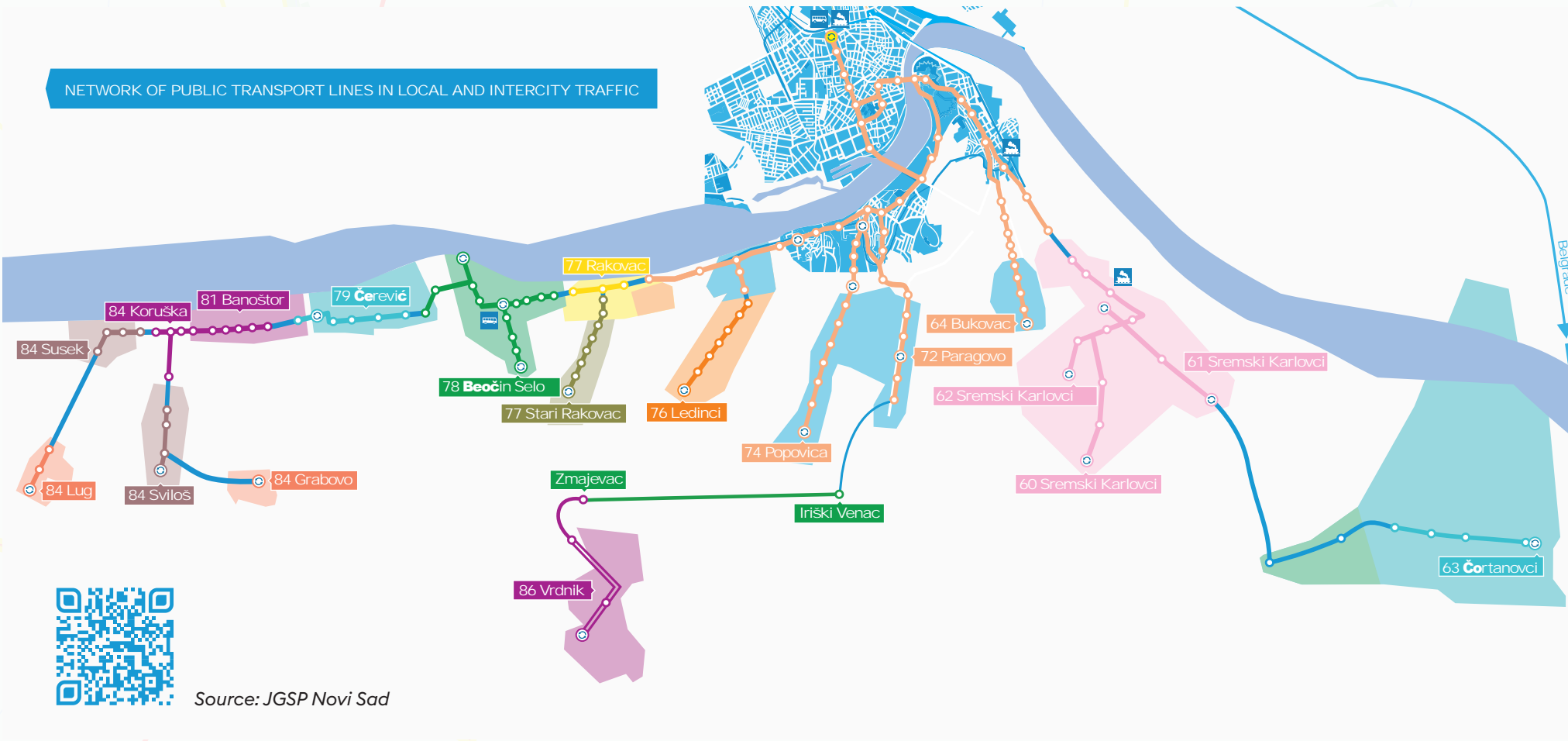
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- Significant places
- Fortresses and towers
- Camp
- Glamping Resort
- Mountain Lodges
- Monuments of the National Liberation War (1941 - 1945)

- 1 Sloboda Monument, Iriški venac
- 2 Jabuka Memorial-complex
- 3 Rohalj Baze Memorial-complex near Divoš
- 4 Lepinjin Grob Memorial
- 5 Stručica Monument, Rakovac
- 6 Monument of the National Liberation War in Ležimir
- 7 Monument of the National Liberation War in Neštin
- 8 Monument of the National Liberation War in Svilož
- Fortresses and towers
- 1 Petrovaradin Fortress
- 2 Vrdnik Tower
- Camp
- Glamping Resort
- Mountain Lodges
- 1 Mountain Lodge Crveni Čot, Popovica

- 2 Mountain Lodge Železničar, Popovica
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- Accommodation
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- 4, 5 Sremski Karlovci - Premier Prezident Hotel 5\*, Dunav Hotel 2\*
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- Wine routes
- 1 Novi Sad Wine Route - wineries and wine shops (Novi Sad - Sremska Kamenica - Ledinci - Rakovac - Begeč - Kovilj - Temezin)

- 2 Wines of Ornate Srem (Beočin - Čerević - Banoštor)
- 3 Sremski Karlovci - Wine Galaxy
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- Restaurants
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- 5 Mambo Equestrian Club, Beočin
- Fruška Gora Adventure Center, Vrdnik
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