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LEGEND

- Greenways
- Route connection - Bypass
- Existing narrow Gauge Railway
- Existing Railroad
- Euro Velo 13
- Former railway lines
- Bike rental
- Bike repair service
- Tourism information centre
- Accommodation
- International airport
- Railbike
- Draisine
- Horse rides
- Green Railways stations
- Rest area on the Greenways route
- Bridges
- Ainaži North Pier
- Train station
- Former Railway station
- Former station available for public
- Former station as a living home
- Smiltene** City, town
- Euro Velo 13 - Iron Curtain Trail
- Euro Velo 11 - East Europe Route
- Tour de LatEst cycling route
- UNESCO objects inscribed in World Heritage list



Green Railways are new, mostly non-motorized tourism routes for locals, domestic and foreign visitors regardless of ability and age. The routes are created using old narrow-gauge railway causeways in South-Estonia and North-Latvia. Altogether the routes are ca 750 km long (including original parts of narrow gauge railway lines, re-routing parts, Alūksne-Gulbene narrow-gauge railway and segments of bicycle route "Tour de LatEst").

The tourism routes are available for hiking, cycling, horse - rides or skiing during the winter time.

GOOD TO KNOW:

- The best cycling season is from May to September
- Route and route connections (bypasses) are signposted
- Bike rentals and service points are mostly in the larger towns, cities
- The route passes through picturesque scenes and wide variety of natural objects, beautiful rivers, Gauja National park, North Vidzeme Biosphere Reserve and districts with characteristic heritage.



GULBENE - ALŪKSNE

33 km

Narrow gauge railway - "Bānītis" Gulbene - Alūksne railway is the last daily-operational narrow gauge railway in the Baltics. The small railway with passenger traffic between two district centres has become a much loved tourist destination, attracting visitors on account of its historical rolling-stock and infrastructure, as well as its heritage value. The small railway is friendly also for those who are riding a bicycle.



93 km

GULBENE

29 km

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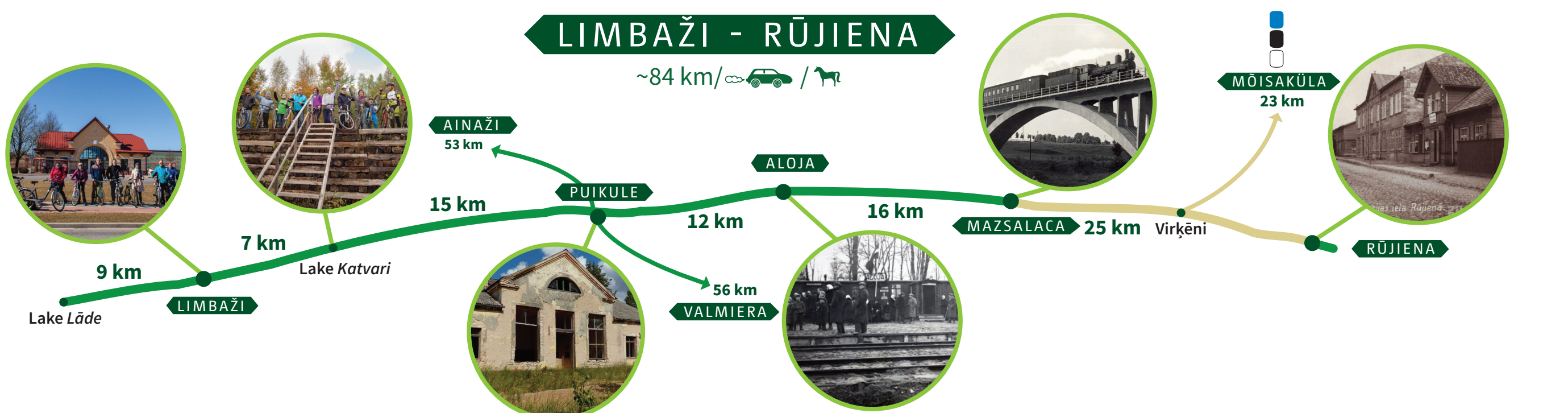
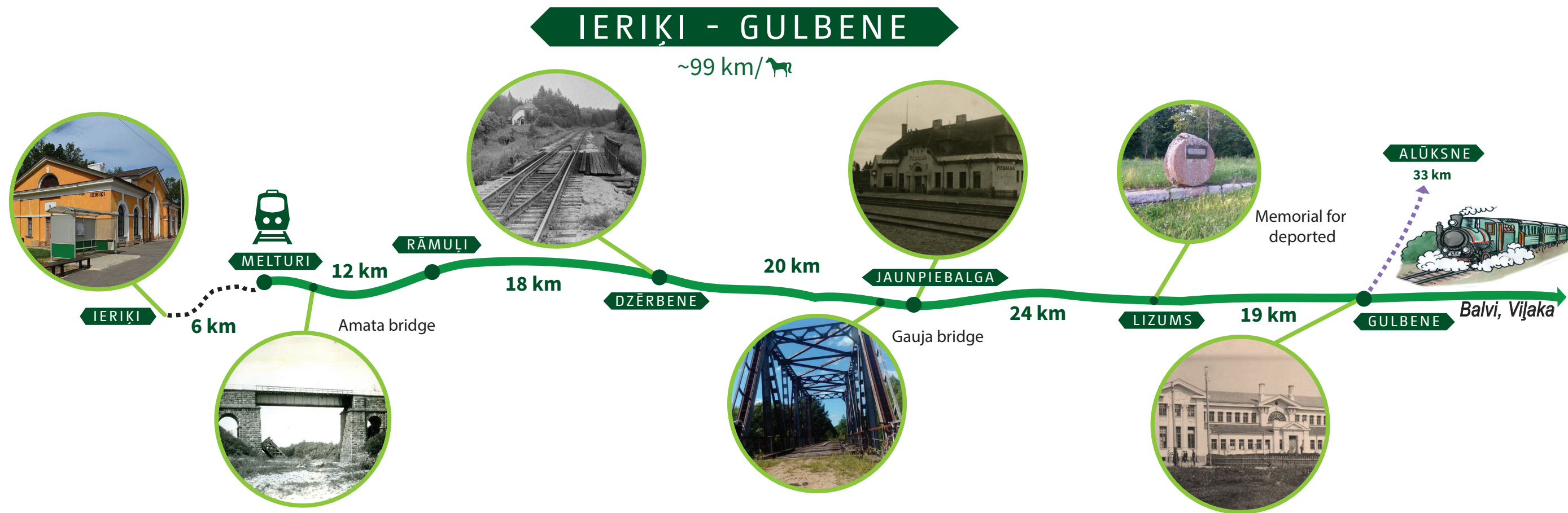
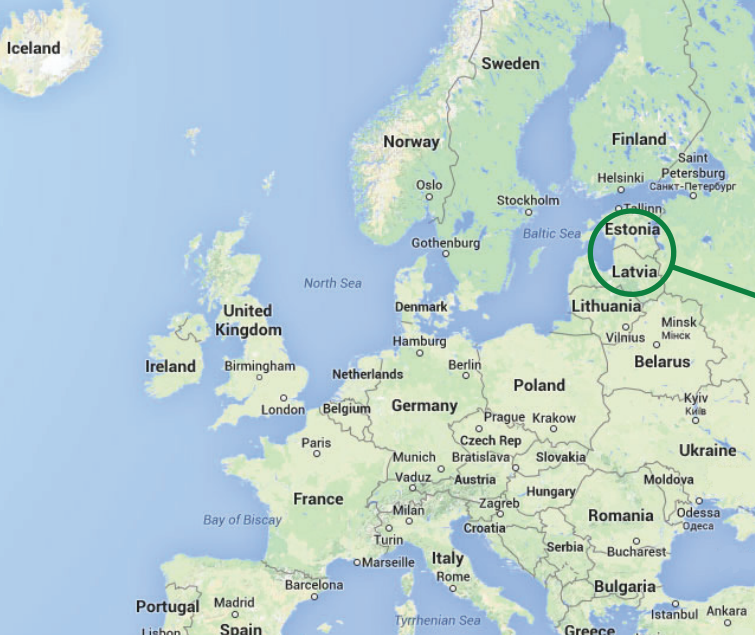
Wooden viewing platform nearby Stāmeriena station with a view to the narrow gauge railway "Bānītis" route - place for relaxing and picnic.



The Alūksne railway station and its luggage shed are not just buildings, they are historical evidence from the time the railway line was opened in 1902. Nowadays Alūksne is a modern and developing town which cares about its cultural heritage and the beauties of nature and is always proud to show them to its guests.

Strūve Geodetic Arc

LATVIA-ESTONIA GREENWAYS



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