

# INDUSTRIAL panevėžys

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# PANEVĖŽYS MUSEUM OF **REGIONAL HISTORY** / Vasario 16-osios a. 23

What is a better starting point to explore the city than the Local Lore Museum? Established in 1925, the Panevėžys Local Lore Museum is one of the oldest regional museums in Lithuania and one of the oldest cultural institutions in the city. The museum is established in the house of the famous Moigis family, where you can browse the pages of Panevėžys history, as well as visit an exhibition dedicated to the history of Panevėžys from 1953–1990, and see the products Panevėžys was famous for and the kitchen interior of workers' homes at that time.



CANNED FOOD FACTORY / Kranto a. 12

Located in the heart of the city, the red-brick buildings of this industrial complex arouse the curiosity of many passers-by. A huge complex of buildings which is a typical example of the industrial architecture of the 19th–20th century is a former canning factory. The buildings date back to as early as 1880 when they were built for the Tsarist Russian state vodka monopolv bottlehouse. The cannery only opened in 1944 and produced canned foodstuffs that were in short supply in the post-war period, which were then transported by horse-drawn carts around the country. Today, the cosy café named Kranto 12 is located in these very buildings.

# SITES

## **KALNAPILIO-TAURO** GRUPÉ Taikos al. 1

This brewery is the oldest company in Panevėžys! Its history dates back to 1902, when Albert Foight, a German landlord, brewed his first batch of beer here on 1 January. Kalnapilis is also proud to be the only brewery in Lithuania that has not slowed down its production since the day it was founded.

> SUGAR FACTORY / Įmonių g. 22

Throughout its history, the sugar factory featured an active cultural life, as the factory's employees were involved in a number of artistic collectives. Explore residential buildings across the street some bricks have surviving brick factory imprints. KR or "Kraštai" is the imprint of the brickworks of Kraštai Village in Pasvalys district, which has been in operation for almost a century. Even though sugar is no longer produced in Panevėžys, you can still buy bags of sugar with "Panevėžys sugar" name on them - "Panevėžys sugar" brand still exists as it brings a glorious history with it.

> **ROQUETTE AMILINA /** J. Janonio g. 12

For many years, Panevėžys has been considered to be the largest cereal milling centre in Lithuania. It all started with an industrial mill on Kranto Street. After surviving the wars and nationalisation, the mill expanded to J. Janonio Street, and during the independence years became the well-known Malsena, which later turned into the present starch production company Roquette Amilina. It is one of the most advanced companies in Panevėžys and one of the largest in the Northern Europe.



# **NARROW-GAUGE RAILWAY** COMPLEX ,

Geležinkelio g. 23 Tel. +370 612 26 140

Although many Lithuanians would not call Panevėžys the city of railway, it is in fact the home of the historic narrow-gauge train. The Panevėžys narrow-gauge railway station is unique in that it is the only place where two types of railways broad gauge and narrow gauge - connect. At the end of the 19th century, the narrow gauge transported a wide range of goods and, soon thereafter, passengers. However, in the long run, it has become difficult for a narrow and relatively slow train to compete with faster vehicles, both by wide-range rail and by road, so the Narrow-gauge train has become used only as an historic tourist train.



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# **CANTEEN OF THE MEAT** FACTORY Smėlynės g. 85 Tel. +370 454 60 103

One of Panevėžys largest manufacturing companies in the first half on the 19th century was the Panevėžys meat factory. It started in 1931 as Maistas joint-stock company. The meat processing plant is no longer in operation, with only a few buildings remaining – one of which is an administrative building - and a canteen that has been in operation since around 1974 still offers meat chops, steaming soups, delicious curd doughnuts and compotes. Once inside, you will enter a small canteen that has been little changed by time, where Zita, its manager, has been hosting and welcoming every visitor with a smile since its opening.



# S. Kerbedžio g. 23

LINAS /

The flax processing industry in Panevėžys began to develop as early as the end of the 19th century, but the factory was only established in 1957. More than twenty years later, the company is presented as the Panevėžys Order of Friendship of Nations Linen Production Association Linas. The Biržai factory, Siūlas, and the Plunge factory, Linu Audiniai, also belonged to this association. Today, the company not only exports various linen fabrics and products to countries around the world, but also sells them in a small, branded shop, Gija, next to the factory.



# **EKRANAS FACTORY SITE /** Elektronikos a. 1

Ekranas used to be one of the largest factories in Lithuania and one of the major producers of colour cathode-ray tubes in Europe. A pond was formed near the factory in 1980 and used for technological processes. Today, the pond and the area on its left bank are a popular leisure area for residents and visitors. The buildings of the defunct factory are being used by other companies, and its territory has been transformed into the largest open-air gallery in Lithuania, called Dabarties Ekranas. The authors of this gallery, Vaida Andrijauskaitė and Dan Hermouet, have created large-format photographic murals on the walls of almost 600 square metres of industrial buildings, accompanied by audio stories that invite visitors to explore the

intersection of the past and present of the industry in Panevėžys through the personal memories of former Ekranites.



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GLASREMIS ART GLASS STUDIO / Meistrų g. 9 Tel. +370 611 57 198

In the hands of creative personalities, fire and heat transform glass into works of art. Established in 2000 in Panevėžys, the modern glassmaking technology studio is proud of its craftsmanship and achievements at international exhibitions and fairs. Its founder is Remigijus Kriukas, a glass artist who has been representing Lithuania in world exhibitions since 1985. In addition to mass production, original artworks are created here, the international GlassJazz art glass symposium is held, and the creative process is open to evervone.

# **AUKŠTAITIJOS VANDENYS UNDERGROUND RESERVOIR** / Velžio kl. 13

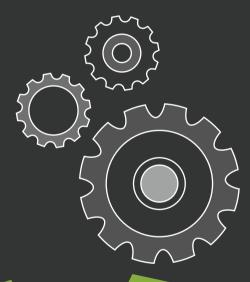
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It is an underground art space. The impressive underground water reservoir, which supplied water to Panevėžys in the Soviet era and has been out of use for two decades, is now open to the public; visitors only need to arrange their arrival in advance. The reservoir, which holds 2,500 cubic metres of water, has supplied the city with drinking water since 1974. Now it has been transformed into an unconventional art space. The first exhibition there, under the symbolic title The Face of Water, was by French photographer Dan Hermouet, who used large-format photographs to reveal the subtleties of the work of plumbers, which are invisible to outsiders' eyes.



# SOAP FACTORY (NAUJOJI RINGUVA) Staniūnų g. 1

The public limited company Lietuvos muilas was established in Panevėžys in 1933 and used to produce about 3,000 kilograms of soap per day. The first product made by the factory was a soap called Skalbeia. Later, the range was expanded to include toilet soaps Gražuolė, Bitutė, Migdolinis and Kokosinis. Today, Naujoji Ringuva's products remain very popular – the shelves of every shop are stocked with laundry detergents, toilet and household soaps, and stain removers made in Panevėžys.





# BEREL RUBINSTEIN'S MILL / Kranto g. 24

It was a modern, privately owned industrial mill of Berel Rubinstein, of Jewish origin. The wheat flour produced in the mill was branded with trademarks depicting a bear with a sack of flour and the words "Bear Flour". Today, no one grinds flour in the mill anymore. The building has been renovated and adapted for use as a hotel, restaurant and spa.



# YEAST AND SPIRIT FACTORY / Respublikos g. 82

Today, a few red-brick buildings that are still left here offer reminders of the former yeast and spirit factory. It produced not only alcoholic beverages and yeast, but also carbonic acids, household chemicals and even cologne. In addition, some of the additional purified alcohol was supplied for medical purposes on behalf of the state.

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PANEVEZIO STIKLAS Pramonės g. 10

The Panevėžys Glass Factory was opened in 1965. It soon became the largest building glass company in the Baltic states. Large quantities of building, display and furniture glass, glass melt for ruberoid and glass tiles were produced here. Perhaps their most recognisable product is the square glass blocks. In 1993, the factory opened an art glass workshop, where glass artist Remigijus Kriukas started his career.

# PANEVĖŽIO AURIDA / Pramonės a. 8

The company was founded in 1959 and originally named the Panevėžys Autocompressor plant. It specialised in automotive compressors. The first batch of products was for the ZIL-120, and eventually MAZ, GAZ, KamAZ and Hungarian Ikarus joined the list of regular customers. With the expansion of the plant, it became the only one of its kind in the USSR. In 1969, an impressive 12-storey building was erected to house the engineering laboratory block and the administration. Today, the factory continues to operate under the name of Panevėžio Aurida.

Panevėžys is often referred to as an industrial city. Its industrial traditions, cultural innovations, historic heritage, the magic of theatres, music, ceramics and photography all congregate in one here. That provides ample creative opportunities for the city's residents and visitors alike to see industry from a different point of view, to learn about the remarkable history of industry in Panevėžys, and to better understand its architectural and technological value.

We are excited to introduce you to industrial Panevėžys and have prepared an itinerary revealing the city's industrial attractions to you. Read the stories, use the map, and if you want to hear about the industrial sites as well as read about them, be sure to use the audioguide "Panevėžys. In the footsteps of the industrial powerhouses" on the Gatvės Gyvos mobile app.

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# **UNIQUE PANEVĖŽYS** SHOPS

We invite you not just to travel around Panevėžys in search of reflections of the industrial city, but also to get first-hand experience of what the industrial companies of Panevėžys produce. Some of them have their own branded shops, where you can buy products at attractive prices or find unique products that are not available on supermarket shelves.



# **GIJA, BRAND STORE OF** LINAS AB / Kerbedžio g. 23, I-V: 9.00-18.00, VI: 10.00-14.00

The shop offers the full range of products produced at the Linas factory. Linen has always been a valued textile by Lithuanians, and it is used for more than just clothing. The shop has a wide range of linen fabrics and yarns, as well as ready-made linen home textiles and linen clothing.



# **DEVOLD UAB BRANDED** STORE - DEVOLD OUTLET /

J. Janonio g. 66, I–V: 10.00–18.00, VI: 10.00–16.00

Merino wool is well known and appreciated for its qualities, and you will find Merino wool products in our branded shop, from lingerie to home textiles. Those wishing to prepare for the cold

season of the year are welcome to do so right here in Panevėžys.

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**AB NAUJOJI RINGUVA** BRANDED SHOP / Staniūnų g. 1, II-V: 9.00-18.00, VI: 9-14.00

Naujoji Ringuva is one of the largest manufacturers of cleaning products in Lithuania. Visit this branded shop for a wide range of cleaning products: laundry and toilet soaps, shower gel, shampoos, liquid soaps and detergents.

(d)AB PIENO ŽVAIGŽDĖS BRANDED SHOP / Laisvės a. 25, I–V: 7.30–19.00, VI: 8.00–17.00

The branded shop offers a wide range of dairy products at competitive prices. It also offers a unique product, the cheese mass, which is particularly popular with little gourmets. There is also a café where you can drink milkshakes with funny or enjoy cottage cheese with chocolate and ice cream with jelly. Panevėžys residents simply call this place "the milk bar".

## (e) PANEVĖŽIO EGLĖ BRANDED **CONFECTIONERY SHOP** /

Savanorių g. 11, I–V: 8.00–17.00, VI: 8.00–14.00

The range of products here is very wide, with more than 120 different confectionery items. The pastry shop sells flatbreads, pies, wraps, cakes, pastries, biscuits, muffins, cookies and šakotis, a national cake. The latter is made in the old tradition and is very popular with customers.



# SUPERGARDEN / Ramygalos g. 149 E, I–V: 8.00–17.00

8.00–20.00

Supergarden is already a beloved brand among Lithuanians. We invite you to visit the branded shop and see for yourself the wide range of freeze-dried products on offer. Buy freeze-dried fruit, berries, vegetables, meat, snacks, coffee, tea or even ice cream.

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# **VASARIS SHOPPING** CENTRE / Aukštaičių g. 88, I–VII:

Vasaris Shopping Centre offers handmade confectionery and culinary products made with love. All Vasaris products are fresh and of high quality, and no artificial additives are used. The range includes more than 900 different products: vegetarian, vegan, European and other world cuisines, traditional Lithuanian and Aukštaitija region dishes and food products. Stop by and have a taste!

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**GLASREMIS ART GLASS** STUDIO / Meistrų g. 9, I-V: 8.00-17.00, VI: 10.00-18.00

The glass products in this glass studio are formed by hand. The quality of the products is at the core and only high-quality raw materials are used. The studio's main production includes decorative glass products of various sizes, shapes and distinctive designs, glass combined with interior and exterior features. Glass products are designed by the company's two designers, Remigijus Kriukas and Indrė Stulgaitė-Kriukienė. In addition to the main production, unique original works are also created.



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PANEVĖŽYS OLD TOWN GALLERY / Vasario 16-osios g. 11, I-V: 9.00-18.00, VI: 10.00-15.00

The gallery features works by Lithuanian and foreign artists, interior details and home fragrances. If you visit the Old Town Gallery, you will surely find something to bring back from Panevėžys, or maybe something to decorate your home or delight your friends with as a gift.



I-V: 9.00-18.00, VI: 9.00-14.00 The Juozas Masiulis Bookstore in the centre of

Panevėžys is the oldest bookstore In Lithuania. During your stay in Panevėžys, be sure to stop by not only to buy books or stationery, but also to take a look around the interior of the old bookstore itself. It has preserved many elements of the old bookshop: a pre-war portrait of J. Masiulis and a painting of Vytautas the Great.

# **CAR MARKET OR FLEA** MARKET / Pramonės g. 10B, VI–VII: 9.00–15.00

Many of you may have heard of a market in Panevėžys called the car market. However, it is not only cars that you can buy here, but also all sorts of antiques - from tableware and toys to shoes and clothes. If not to buy something, then at least walking around it once in a while is a must. With time and patience you can find the most unexpected things!

