

Events in Turaida – 2026

- 21.06.** Over the Hill - Latvian Midsummer Celebration in Turaida
- 10.07.** Opening of the Turaida Museum Reserve Exhibition at Sigulda Railway Station Square – "Mārtiņš Buclers: Photographer, Industry Pioneer, Educator, Publisher"
- 17.07.** Latvian Folk Songs in a Jazz Style. Rūta Dūduma and Lauris Amantovs
- 14.08.** Elīna Ose and the Kuolm Randō. Three Shores project performs original music in the Liv language
- 05.09.** Oak Day in Turaida – Nature exploration event for all ages
- 12.09.** European Heritage Days: Informative Seminar – "European Cultural Routes"
- 27.10.** Morning Talks & Guided Tour: "Manor People in the Cemeteries of Turaida"
- 31.10.** Morning Folk Sing-Along at the Krišjānis Barons Monument, Sigulda
- 31.10.** Night of Legends
- 05.11.** Annual Conference of the Turaida Museum Reserve
- 24.11.** Morning Talks & Guided Tour at the Turaida Museum Reserve Collection: "The Secrets of Holiday Greeting Cards"
- 20.12.** Christmas Concert at Turaida Church with soprano Ilona Bagēle

Coming December 2026 – a multimedia light event

The program is subject to change and additions. Up-to-date information:
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The Turaida Museum Reserve



Upcoming Exhibitions

Discover the Northern Inner Gate Tower of Turaida Castle!

Built in the early 16th century, this tower was the largest and most impressive of Turaida Castle's round medieval towers. It once protected the castle's forecourt with firearms and, during peacetime, stored ammunition.

The new outdoor exhibition introduces visitors to the tower's defensive secrets, archaeological discoveries, and construction techniques. Interactive, exciting, and easy to access and explore – history to experience for everyone!



Turaida Castle: Eight Centuries of History

Step into the Main Tower (Bergfried) and explore 800 years of Turaida Castle's history. From its beginnings as a wooden Livonian stronghold to its transformation into a stone fortress and today's museum, the castle tells a story of resilience, change, and heritage. The exhibition is divided into five historical themes, allowing visitors to see, touch, and experience the past. Walk through the centuries, uncover the lives of those who lived here, and discover how the castle evolved with the times. Perfect for medieval history lovers and curious travelers of all ages, this exhibition brings Turaida Castle's long and fascinating history to life.



The exhibition's artistic concept was developed by Kaspars Eglītis, Roberts Rubīns, Didzis Jaunzems, and Elizabete Palasiosa, in collaboration with researchers from the Turaida Museum Reserve. Its creation was made possible with the support of the Latvian Ministry of Culture and *Latvijas Finieris*.



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15.02. Metēji in Turaida – Family celebration with folklore groups Senleja and Putni

24.02. Morning Talks & Guided Tour: "What Do We Know About Our Surnames?"

06.03. Educational Seminar: "Cannons and Towers in Medieval Castles"

26.03. Historical Talk Series: 160 Years Since the Parish Reform in Vidzeme

28.03. Turaidas muzejrezervāta informācijas diena 2026

31.03. Morning Talks: "Forbidden Celebrations – Stories from Photo Albums"

06.04. Traditional Easter Celebration for the Whole Family

09.04. Historical Talk Series: "200 Years Since the Introduction of Surnames in Vidzeme"

08.05. Europe Day in Turaida – Final ceremony of the student competition "A Rose Blooms in Time" and exhibition opening

10.05. Opening of the New Permanent Exhibitions at Turaida Castle

10.05. Maija's Day Concert – Vocal group Putni and poet Agnese Rutkēviča

15.05. Opening of the Turaida Museum Reserve Collection Exhibition at the New Castle of Sigulda

16.05. Sports Event: Tower Sprint at Turaida Castle – Sigulda 'k' Run Series, Stage 2

12.06. European Archaeology Days: Seminar & Discussion – "Food in Castles"

13.06. Archaeology for Children: "Food in Castles" – Interactive Family Event



Take a look

Turaida Summer

21 June | 4:00 a.m. – midnight

Over the Hill – Latvian Midsummer Celebration in Turaida

At sunrise, as the longest day of the year begins, the power of light awakens and invites you to experience Jāni, Latvia's traditional Midsummer celebration. Join us in the meadows of Turaida for a full day and night of nature, music, and ancient traditions, including:

- Midsummer rituals – gathering seasonal herbs believed to bring good fortune, weaving flower wreaths, and singing traditional ligo songs
- A festive market and hands-on workshops showcasing local crafts
- Games and activities for all ages, with performances by folklore groups and renowned kokle (traditional Latvian zither) musician Laima Jansone
- Traditional sing-along and a symbolic fire ritual, celebrating light, renewal, and togetherness
- A concert by Ilgi, Latvia's most internationally acclaimed world music group, at 10:00 p.m.
- Traditional circle dancing, led by the Riga Dance Club – everyone is welcome to join

Tickets available at "Bilešu Paradīze" ticket offices from 1 March 2026.

Celebrate the magic of Midsummer in the rolling meadows and hills of the Turaida Museum Reserve – where ancient traditions meet the light of the longest day!



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