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Be offline!

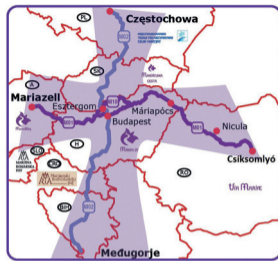
Nowadays it's easy to get lost in the constant noise and unnecessary flow of information. As we open our eyes in the morning a wealth of data, information, news and advertising is pouring on us, as we turn on the laptop, TV, radio, phone, or even open a newspaper.

We pay attention to everything, except to ourselves, not even to mention others. You have enough time for everything, except for the inner voice, the feelings. We became an instant world, and at the same time a virtual too, we must get everything right now, online immediately. The world rushes around us with such a speed that is impossible to create some kind of inner peace, silence and quietness in us. Let's be offline then!

Let's give it a try, at least for 3 days! Try what happens if you get out of this world, and later compare the experience. Compare in which world did you have independent, value-creating thoughts and in which did you live under pressure, fearing that you miss something important, if you do not adrift with your fellows in this accelerated world. „The external silence is only the first step. The second step is much more difficult, the voices of wishes must be silenced in order not to overwhelm the main wish: the longing after the encounter with God.”

What is Way of Mary?

The Way of Mary is the Pilgrimage of Central Europe, which leads from the Austrian Mariazell to Csíksomlyó in Transylvania. The approximately 1,400km walking distance is divided into 60 daily stages. The most important Marian shrines along the Way are: Mariazell, Celldömölk, Bakonybél, Majkpuszta, Máriabesnyő, Beaded, Máriapócs, Cluj, Târgu Mureş, Şumuleu Ciuc, along the northern branch Esztergom, Márianosztra, Mátraverebély. The north-south route between Czestochowa in Poland and Bosnia Medjugorje is in initial construction phase. The north-south together with the west-east way overlaps Central Europe shaping a cross. The north-south direction - apart from short sections - exists only virtually, just as a GPS tracks. Additional sub-branches and alternative pathways complement the main branch, thus creating a network of various places of pilgrimage, of natural and cultural values.



The inner spiritual journey

The pilgrim encounters the wonders of nature, the works of God seeking man and the traces of the spirit of prayer walking along the Way. This is a real opportunity to the people to be open to the Creator. And if the encounter happens it may turn a man's life around. The road becomes our internal way – one can return home from a longer pilgrimage spiritually renewed, with experiences lasting a lifetime. Along the way, we marvel the beauty of the created world, the diversity of human communities intertwined with each other every day. The sacrifice, the mystery and the upliftment of the pilgrimage, allows us to meet with God and at the same give testimony about Him. Several central questions of our existence can convert to our personal experience as walking the pilgrimage. The Way of Mary is actually not outside, but is built up in your own soul.

The outer physical path

The road - building on the legacy of the past – mostly runs along the pilgrimage routes previously used. The sign of the

Way is a small written letter on the middle leg carrying a cross, which expresses that our Christ the Redeemer was born from humble Mary's womb. The east-west (M1 / M10) branch's colour is purple; the north-south branch (M2) is blue. The other (shortcuts, alternative, crossover paths) roads are marked with red, green and yellow signs. Pilgrim's Guides with detailed mapping help orientation as well as all traces of all the roads can be downloaded from our website to GPS. Marking of the Way (painting and setting up signs) is continuous along the remaining sections of the Mariazell Máriapócs-Şumuleu Ciuc branch and construction of the pilgrimage signs has already started along Czestochowa-Medjugorje branch.

Pilgrim's Passport

The pilgrim's passport is a document that identifies you as a pilgrim, and provides proof by using stamps that you have walked the pilgrimage. It also allows you to use the pilgrims' accommodations. To justify the section walked on a given day you need at least one stamp proving the settlement clearly and unequivocally.

Where to get it: On Interneten: www.mariaut.hu

In person: at Pilgrims' Points (www.zarandokiroda.hu), at shrines, pilgrim's shelters, tourist offices (more info: www.mariaut.hu) When issued to you a small donation is required to cover the costs of the passport and the way.

Validation, certificate of completion

In case you have completed at least 100 km of The Way of Mary the centre of the Association issues a verifying certificate to you.

Accommodation

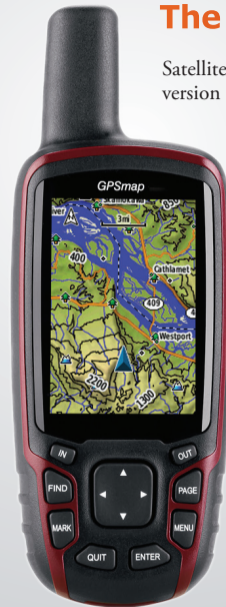
Details of the pilgrimage's accommodations (connected to the daily sections) are continuously updated on our website (www.mariaut.hu). The pilgrimage-accommodation must be booked in advance. For the details of booking contact the owner of the accommodation.





Practical advices, tips

All the roads – without exception -, maintained and suggested by the Way of Mary Public Association, are running along marked, signed trails. Most of the time you have to follow the different coloured (purple, blue, red, yellow, green) symbol of the Way of Mary painted on white background. There are some unsigned sections, without the symbol of the Way of Mary, there you should follow the usual tourist signs (green bar, blue cross, etc.). These signals are prepared according to the national tourist sign standards painted onto trees, stones and other fixed landscaping objects. Some road junctions have information tables that provide information on the directions of travel and distance. The road signs can be damaged or become incomplete despite of regular maintenance. If you lose the signal, go back to the last signal and from here search for the continuation alternatively try consult the map and get to the closest settlement. A 2 day long trip is the main topic of our thematic booklet complemented with 10 short, local tours. These shorter, local walking routes require no particular preparation or equipment, they can be completed under normal weather conditions, even in urban dress in 1-2 hours. To avoid facing the bad choice during the trip please pay close attention to the difficulty level and duration stated at the descriptions. Similarly pay attention to the weather forecasts so that you will be able to walk along these shorter daily roads even without any hiking experience. However our 50 km pilgrimage offers a more serious Challenge! The success of the pilgrimage depends on the preparation; it requires sufficient experience and a thoughtfully compiled equipment and travel bag. If you lack experience yet start with a shorter stretches or join to organized groups. You have to be aware of the difficulties of the route, your abilities and all the local-regional features. We have stated the difficulty levels of the, but deterioration of the walkable route may occur. Leave spare time and strength daily in case you might need to walk longer or slower. It is important to have the right equipment, to dress according to the possible weather conditions and the terrain, the worn footwear (mostly recommended hiking shoes) and a minimal first-aid kit. Pack easily and conveniently, the backpack's weight preferably should not be more than 10 kg. Pay attention to hygiene, treat excoriations and water blisters. Check at the end of the day if you have any tick. Drink from the tap or take water only from the qualified drinking water sources, springs. Respect not only the landscape, that you are crossing, but also the local people; be open to new things, new perspectives. You can also search for the community, connections, relationships. Do not hesitate to ask for help, or to share where you come from, where you are going. Feel grateful, even if it doesn't happen the way you wanted or if you don't receive what you have expected. Accept it. Keep silence in the churches, even in nature you can walk more quietly. Pay attention to the environment to yourself and to each other, especially if you are walking with a team. The depth of your journey reveals itself, and your Goal can be achieved this way.



The GPS technology helps

Satellite navigation is becoming more widespread and accessible technology these days. The simplest version of use is, when we use own appropriate mobile phone for positioning offline. A suitable App2 for this is for example the free MapsWithMe. Its drawback is that it doesn't navigate only shows you where we you exactly and the field surfaces of the map are developed only at a basic level. If you want the right help that offers accurate navigation, colourful, contour lined map with the net of the tourist trails while it does not drain your phone in 3-4 hours, you can use a GPS device manufactured for this purpose. You can download the desired track routes thus you can rely yourself on the GPS in the field in respect of the orientation. You get instant feedback when strayed from the right way even from up to 20 meters. It indicates the next junctions and their distances in navigation mode. Depending on the device you can see the covered terrain, relief profile and climbs awaiting you.

Recommended websites: mariaut.hu, turistautak.hu
openmaps.eu, openstreetmap.org

We wish a good trip, safe and blessed arrival to all pilgrims!



Felsőörs Roman Catholic Parish accommodation

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Pataktarti Sportszálló Szentantalfa

The 18-persons, sport hostel is an excellent venue for training camp, hiking and bicycle tours, class trips, summer camps, freshman camps. We offer our accommodation for secondary schools, children-, youth- and sports clubs, as well as families and groups of friends alike.

Lodging: 14 and 4 beds room, located in the attic with common sanitary facilities.
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Nivegy Valley Youth Hostel, Balatoncsicsó

We welcome our guests in tidy and clean environment, in our youth hostel with maximum capacity of 50 people, located 6 km from Balaton. The tranquil, quiet, landscaped environmental provides superior option for school trips, summer camps, and team-building programs.

Opening hours: May 1 – October 15. 3 and 4 bed rooms with shared toilets. The building offers a lounge for guests to use. Dining options are provided by other service providers.

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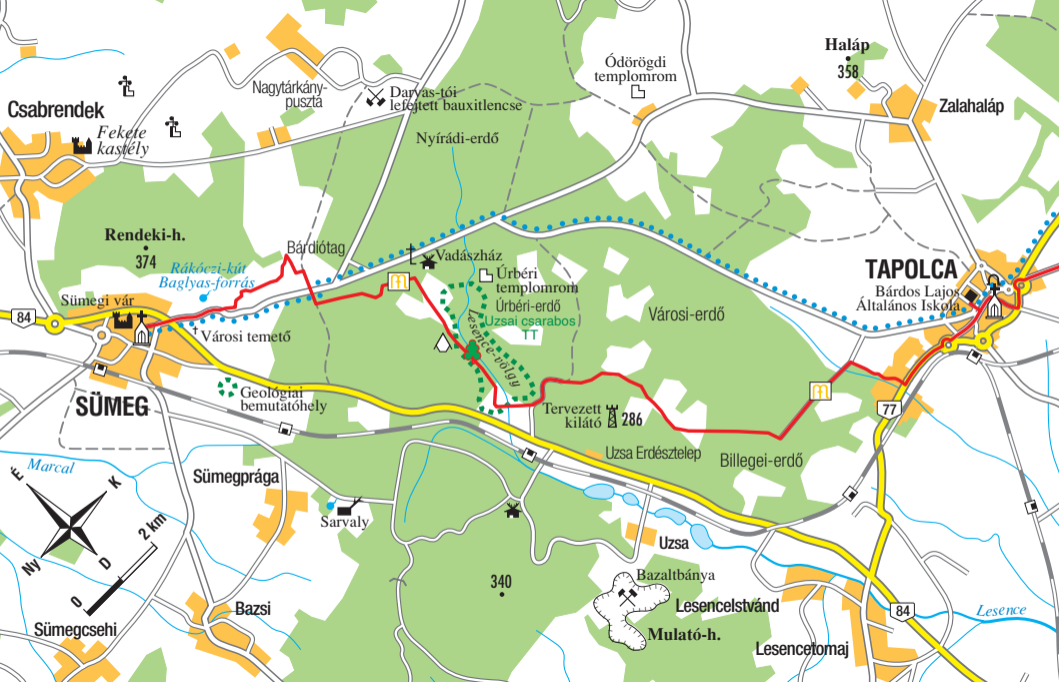




Forest School of Monoszló Villa Silvestris

The building of the Forest School in Monoszló used to house the primary school of the village. It was renovated between 2001 and 2003, and has been accommodating guests since 2005. The building has 16 rooms (including two 3-bed and two 4-bed rooms), with a separate bathroom and toilet for each room. There are two historic rooms, and the entire building itself is under heritage protection. Catering is provided by a modern kitchen and restaurant in the new wing of the building. Although in its original form the facility was used to provide natural education to young people, it also offers half and full board accommodation as a conference centre. The conference room, with its modern equipment and hosting 40 people, is exceptionally suited for smaller discussions, team building events, trainings and meetings.

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Your are very welcome in Monoszló!



Lovász Apartment House Tapolca

The House offers 4 self-contained apartments and 5 rooms for the visitors. The bathroom and the kitchen are downstairs while the bedroom is upstairs. The apartments are furnished for self-sufficiency. The 5rooms area is also equipped with public kitchen, living room and closet. There are 4rooms upstairs with two bathroom, while there is 1room downstairs with its own bathroom. The rooms and apartments are available for 2+1 person. The price: 10 000 HUF / room + 500 HUF/person/night (VAT). Our guests can park with cars or bicycle for free in our closed court. Tapolca, Tavasz utca 15.
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Krigler Panzió (B&B) Sümeg

The Krigler B&B was built on top of the 200-year-old Ramassetter Cellar, maintained in its original condition and inducing nostalgia, in one of the most attractive and spectacular points of Sümeg, providing a breath taking view on the largest castle of Transdanubia and the town living its everyday life in the shelter of the castle.
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Great event



1 ÚTON NEMZETKÖZI
ZARÁNDOKNAP

The Way of Mary Association is organizing a pilgrimage after Assumption Day on the entire length of the Way of Mary for the common goals of reconciliation and unity. This day of pilgrimage, to be organized each year, is called On 1way and comprises hundreds of townships in Austria, Transylvania, Felvidék, Vojvodina and Hungary alike. The organizers and participants dedicate this year's pilgrimage to unity and peace, for there are certain historic wounds and divisions that only faith and love can bridge and heal. Consequently, one of the 200 sections of the journey – the average length of each being 25 kilometres – between Nyíregyháza and Máriapócs bears the name 'For peace in Ukraine'. The section between Pilisszentkereszt and Esztergom will be called 'Slovak-Hungarian Friendship', and the section between Pilisszentkereszt and Máriaremete is the 'German-Hungarian Friendship'.

For detailed information see 1uton.mariaut.hu • 1ut@mariaut.hu



PÁLOS 70

“We may nourish from certain stretches and stops of the Pálos 70 as well as the Hungarian Pauline Order's 750 year old treasures, of which a special celebration is the Assumption of Mary – which takes place in the Pauline ancient place, the over 660 year old Marianosztra shrinal church. The cross was raised for the Hungarian Patrona Hungariae at the Gellért Hill Cave, which is the place from where the first stretch of the Pálos 70 begins. We would like to guarantee an opportunity to those who desire to take the journey first and foremost because of their Catholic faith, and also to those who are more experienced in touring. The goal of the pilgrimage is to gain a deeper connection with God; to free ourselves of our sins; the strengthening of our Catholic faith; and the assistance in carrying the baggage of our everyday lives. The undertaking and acceptance of the difficulties of this pilgrimage carries with it this goal.”

Bátor Botond, Pauline monk

www.palos70.hu • <https://hu-hu.facebook.com/Palos70>

Premium routes

Pilgrimages for individual pilgrims

Start your own pilgrimage ...

Services: 2 nights accomodation Csobánka (Élet Háza), Pilisszentlélek (Zsizell panzió) • 2 warm meals for dinner, 1 breakfasts • pilgrimage guide

Dates from May to October (on Friday - Saturday - Sunday)

Friday: Máriaremete – Csobánka • 15 km, Duration: 4,5 hours, ascent (up): 200 m

Saturday: Csobánka-Élet Háza – Pilisszentkereszt-Szentkút - Dobogókő • 17 km, ascent (up): 600 m, Duration: 6-7 hours

Sunday: Dobogókő - Esztergom (Vaskapu) • 20 km, ascent (up): 400m, Duration: 6 hours

Maximális létszám: 14 people

Cost: 18.400 HUF/Person – includes: 2 nights accomodation; 2 dinners; 1 breakfasts

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From Gödöllő-Máriabesenyő to Mátraverebély-Szentkút

[And] be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ. (Eph 4:32)

The newly developed premium pilgrimage route most appropriate for retirees and individual pilgrims is on the part of the Maria Route the runs along the M80 stretch, within the bosom of the hills of Nógrád. Besides the sacrilegious, cultural, and gastronomical sensations we will experience on the journey, the newly developed Maria gardens and the hospitality of the residence in the nográd, palóc, and tót territories assist the physical and spiritual strengthening that will occur between the two shrinal destinations. This allows a growth of understanding to occur within us, a growth to better understand the mindset, culture, and traditions of others. It opens us to mercifulness, and because of this, we are able to accept others, despite their differences, limitations and clumsiness. This way, we can practice our forgiveness, so that each day we may look upon one another as if they were a new person. True peace and togetherness can only be achieved through goodwill, mercifulness, and a forgiveness that is not only practiced on individuals, but towards many and mutually as well.

Services: 4 nights accomodation in: Galgamácsa, Vanyarc, Kozárd, Mátraverebély-Szentkút • 4 warm meals for dinner, 4 breakfasts • thematics, mobile application • optional service is a ride to and from the starting and finishing points

Arrival dates to be chosen as desired, however a Saturday arrival is recommended.

- Day 1: -Máriabesenyő – Galgamácsa • 14km, elevation: 80 m up, 120 m down
- Day 2: Galgamácsa – Erdőkürt – Vanyarc • 22km, elevation: 300m up, 260m down
- Day 3: Vanyarc – Bér – Buják – Ecseg – Kozárd • 21km, elevation: 320m up, 300m down
- Day 4: Kozárd – Mátraszőlős – Sámsonháza – Szentkút • 21km, elevation: 660m up, 600m down
- Day 5: Szentkút (Mátraverebély – Szentkút)

Equipment: Seasonal touring equipment and clothing

Maximum number of participants: 12 people

Cost: 18.400 HUF/person. includes: 4 nights accomodation; 4 dinners; 4 breakfasts; brochure including maps; organizational costs

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From Gyöngyös to Mátraverebély-Szentkút

“I am the way and the truth and the life” (John 14,6)

There are life-altering crossroads in everyone's life, such as the crossroads that occurs between the simple life of a student and the road that exists towards adulthood. It is not irrelevant which road we take towards adulthood. It is up to us whether the children who were entrusted to us find the road to Christ. We may be able to help them in this if we lead the students to our shrine along the M10 to Mátraverebély-Szentkút. During our pilgrimage, you not only become close to nature as a result of the exhilarating Mátra landscape; you not only become closer to yourself because of the inner silence that occurs; you not only become closer to your partners because of the hours spent together; but you come closer to Christ, he who is the way, the truth and the life. At the end of the journey the Virgin Mary awaits those who hope that her shining motherly face lights the way towards peace, opening our eyes towards faith.

Services: 2 nights accomodation on polyfoam and sleeping bag: Mátraháza, Fallóskút • 2 warm dinners, 3 lunches (Mátrafüred, Galyatető, Tar), 2 breakfasts • thematics, mobile application • optional service is a ride to and from the starting and finishing points • pilgrimage guide

Dates to be chosen as desired, however Friday-Saturday-Sunday is recommended)

- Day 1: Gyöngyös – St. Anna chapel – Mátrafüred – Mátrafüred • 17km, elevation: 650 m up, 120 m down
- Day 2: Mátraháza – Gólyatető – Mátraszécsény – Fallóskút • 16km, elevation: 320m up, 320m down
- Day 3: Fallóskút – Tar – Mátraverebély – Mátraverebély-Szentkút • 20km, elevation: 340m up, 840m down

Equipment: Seasonally appropriate touring equipment and clothing, sleeping bag

Maximum number of participants: 14 people

Cost: 18.400 HUF/person. includes: 2 nights accomodation, 2 breakfasts, 3 lunches, pilgrimage guide, organizational fee

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