

Kanal

PARK PEČNO



HUMAN-FRIENDLY FOREST

NATURE-MADE HUMAN



**PEČNO KANAL PARK** is a crossroad of nature, culture, sports and various events. Intertwining of the physical and spiritual. It has been developing since 2014 with the selective clearing of overgrown forest. This has been revealing small treasures of nature and secluded nooks. Its image is the subject of constant change, thanks to hard-working artistic hands.

You can sit down in the park, read a book that you can borrow from the park's reading room, or simply admire the nature, forma viva or enjoy a walk along the well-maintained paths.

Numerous events take place in the park throughout the year. In the spring, on **ST GREGORY'S DAY**, visitors can look for hidden ceramic flutes along the forest paths and use them to bring the spring back, on **MIDSUMMER'S EVE**, visitors go on a hunt for ceramic fern seeds, and at the beginning of autumn, artists present themselves in the park as part of a **FORMA VIVA**. The park also traditionally hosts the **PEČNO ARCHERY TOURNAMENT**, the **FOREST CINEMA**, dedicated to the presentation of Slovenian films and their creators, and the increasingly popular **MTB KANAL**.

The park is managed by the OZON association with the financial support of municipality of Kanal ob Soči.

Entrance to the park is free of charge.

## 1 Underpass

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On the underside, you enter the park area from the banks of the River Soča through a 40-metre-long stone underpass. Above it runs the state road Kanal–Tolmin, and next to it is the railway line. It was built between 1900 and 1906 as part of the Bohinj railway construction.

**HOW MANY COUNTRIES DID KANAL FALL UNDER DURING THIS SHORT PERIOD FROM 1900?**





## 2 Archery range

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There is an archery range in the lower part of the park. It improves the content of a previously completely overgrown and impassable part of the forest. The archery range represents a solid reason for us to persist in maintaining what we achieved and at the same time offers the residents of Kanál and others an opportunity for an interesting and healthy way of exercising in a natural environment. It is open to anyone interested. A traditional archery tournament is held in August, and with it, we try to attract people to this noble sport.

**WHAT IS THE NAME OF THIS TOURNAMENT?**

### 3 Razglednica Gallery

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The gallery was set up in 2014 on the site of the hunter's lookout and functions as a space for art and photography exhibitions and provides protection from the rain. It represents the information point of the park; below it, there is a reading room. All the independent exhibitors in the park are listed on the ceramic plates on the entrance side of Razglednica.

#### WHO EXHIBITED IN THE PARK IN 2020?





## 4 Forma viva

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In the lower part of the park, a forma viva is being created with predominantly ceramic sculptures and natural materials from the immediate surroundings. As part of the autumn exhibitions, when artists from near and far are presented in the park on the autumn equinox, many artists have presented their works over the past ten years.

In 2021, under the gallery, the **OBLAKODER** was created from mounds of earth and rings of acacia trunks, which forms the stage space and is at the same time a work of art.

**WHO IS THE AUTHOR OF OBLAKODER?**

## 5 Stone bridge

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The hiking trail through the park is an old route used before the present paved road was built to get from Kanal to Lig and back. The creek in the park is bridged by a centuries-old stone bridge.

The installation under the bridge is an artwork by Peter Mignozzi and Matej Avbar from 2018.

### WHAT IS HIDDEN UNDER THE ARCH OF THE BRIDGE?







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## MTB trail

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The Pečno MTB mountain bike trail runs through the park. It starts in Lig near the Marijino Celje church and ends on the banks of the River Soča. The descent is 3,400 metres long and takes place entirely along forest paths. It is part of the traditional MTB Kanal event.



**WHAT IS THE ALTITUDE DIFFERENCE FROM THE START TO THE END OF THE DESCENT?**



#### PERMANENT AUTHOR'S EXHIBITION

- DŽ** DARJA ŽORŽ
- MB** MIHA BRINOVEC
- GM** GREGOR MAVER
- AŽ** ANA ŽERJAL
- GP** GORAZD PRINČIČ
- IS** IVAN SKUBIN
- PM** PETER MIGNOZZI
- OVG** ORJANA VELIKONJA GRBEC
- NŠ** NIKA ŠIMAC



- 1 UNDERPASS
- 2 ARCHERY RANGE
- 3 RAZGLEDNICA GALLERY
- 4 FORMA VIVA
- 5 STONE BRIDGE
- 6 MTB TRAIL 
- 7 WALKING TRAIL 
- 8 BIRD FEEDER ALLEY
- 9 SCHOOL PARK
- 10 FOREST LEARNING TRAIL
- 11 CHAPEL



## 7 Walking trail

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We can walk through the park on a 2km circular forest path, which leads us to the chapel at the top of the park. Here you can enjoy the beautiful view of the Kanal bridge and rest on a bench, made by local master carpenter Aleš Žnidarčič.

**THE WALKING PATH THROUGH THE PARK IS PART OF WHICH THEME TRAIL?**





## 8 Bird Feeder Alley

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Several ceramic bird feeders have been placed in Bird Feeder Alley, which were designed by members of the Kanal Ceramics Club. This way, visitors can make sure that the birds in the park do not go hungry in the winter. Sunflower seeds are available in the container next to the Razglednica Gallery.

**WHAT IS THE NAME OF THE FEEDER AT THE VERY BEGINNING OF THE ALLEY?**

## 9 School Park

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The school park has been developing since 2015 on a now ten-year-old clearing, which was completely overgrown by an impassable thicket in just two or three years. The goal is to find and develop tree potential in this amorphous intertwining of young trees and thorny undergrowth and shape it into a cultivated landscape. Similar to a school's mission, hence the name.

The planting project was intended as commemorative trees for individual elementary school classes, but has unfortunately been discontinued for the time being. The trees, however, have survived and bring a distinct colour accent to their classmates.

### WHAT KIND OF TREES WERE PLANTED BY THE 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS OF KANAL PRIMARY SCHOOL IN 2015?





## 10 Forest learning trail

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Around 30 different tree species grow in the park area, all of which, with the exception of one spruce, are deciduous. The tree species along the trail are marked with ceramic tiles.

**NAME THREE TREE SPECIES YOU FOUND IN THE PARK.**

## 11 The chapel

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The highest point of Park Pečno is the chapel of the Virgin Mary, located on a raised rocky plateau. The exact origin of the chapel is unknown, but it has a wall painting of the Mother of God with Jesus. The old path to the chapel has always been a popular promenade for local residents.

Near the chapel there is also a bench named the “centipede” by a local, Aleš Žnidarčič.

**HOW MANY LEGS DOES THE BENCH HAVE?**







## Solutions:

1. 4 (Austria, Italy, Yugoslavia and Slovenia)
2. Pecno open
3. Nature
4. Orjana Velikonja Grbac
5. Bell
6. 571 m
7. The Route of the three temples
8. Jada
9. Red oak
10. Hop - hornbeam, white maple, ash, Turkey oak cherry, white melberry, common hornbeam, common alder, linden, chestnut
11. 36

# Activities in the park

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## SPORTS

- MTB trail
- archery
- footpath

## CULTURE

- gallery
- forma viva
- exhibitions
- forest cinema

## NATURE

- forest learning trail

## EVENTS

- weddings
- cultural and sports events

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