



1. Helikon Palace Museum (Festetics Palace, Carriage exhibition, Hunting exhibition, Historical model railway exhibition, Amazon House Visitor Centre, Palm House, Bird Park)
2. Georgikon Agricultural History Exhibition
3. Balaton Museum
4. Pine Alley
5. Festetics Agricultural Centre
6. Schulhof promenade
7. Imre Festetics Experience Centre
8. Festetics Herb Garden and Spring educational trail
9. Location of the Festetics Horse Race
10. Lady Hamilton memorial
11. Holy Trinity monument
12. The final resting place of Kristóf and György Festetics in the parish church
13. Helikon Park / Helikon memorial
14. Festetics mausoleum
15. Festetics lookout
16. Helikon Taverna / 'Da Bibere' exhibition
17. Csillagvár [Star Fort]
18. Tátika Castle
19. Rezi Castle
20. Festetics Palace in Dég



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*The route of the Festetics heritage can be travelled with an audio guide available for download from the website as well. The gripping family history and the centuries of development in the area gave rise to many stories to discover.*



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## THE FESTETICS HERITAGE

**Join us and learn about these extraordinary cultural values of the region; the Festetics heritage. The century-long presence of the Festetics family determined the development of local culture. The surroundings of Lake Balaton are full of landmarks and sights that are associated with the name of this family of counts and princes.**



The route, which visits several towns, reveals the cultural heritage of the Festetics family. Along the way, you can learn about the lives and varied careers of the family members as well. The most well-known sight is the former home of the Festetics family, the palace in Keszthely, including its unparalleled library. Following this thematic route, you can find out about the family's legendary herd of horses, the Hévíz spa, and several other exciting locations. The route can also be travelled while listening to an audio recording, which is available for download from the website.

The Festetics family played a prominent role in the political, economic, scientific, and cultural life of Hungary through several generations and more than two hundred years. Among other things they are the ones to thank for the emergence of spa culture in Hévíz, improving boating on Lake Balaton, and they were the founders of the Georgikon, the first agricultural college in Europe. Their unmatched library is the only aristocratic library that has remained intact in Hungary. Their palace in Keszthely, which was the centre of their former holdings, houses the Helikon Palace Museum today. The most visited palace in Hungary awaits visitors with regular cultural programmes in addition to the permanent exhibit. The beautiful palace gardens are a romantic travel destination. In the past, the Festetics property was famous for animal husbandry, which is commemorated by the Agricultural History Exhibition of the Georgikon in Keszthely, while the Lake Balaton Museum,



which is also located in Keszthely, presents the flora, fauna, and spa culture of Lake Balaton, as well as the history of local boating. The Schulhof promenade in Hévíz, the Imre Festetics Experience Centre, the Festetics Herb Garden and Spring educational trail in Gyenesdiás, as well as the Lady Hamilton memorial in Balatongyörök are destinations worth discovering even separately. The racing horses of the Festetics family of Keszthely used to be famous across Europe. This is the era evoked by the world of the Festetics Horse Racing event. The map also marks certain additional locations that are connected to the Festetics family and worth discovering.

