



Leiskini Devil's linden

Location

State: Latvia

Region: Zemgale

County: Jēkabpils

Parish: Rubenes

Other references to the location

On the Western side of the courtyard of "Leiskini" home (Slate village), 50 m direction W from the house.

Coordinates

lat= 56.2080555556, lon=25.9905555556

56° 12' 29" N, 25° 59' 26" E

Description

Bifurcated linden - the girth of the E stem is 3,25 m, while that of the W stem - 3,40 m. Both are old, bearing many hollows, once have been hooped with a contracting wire, which has snapped and is now partly free hanging, partly - grown into the bark on the other side, and is well fixed.

Narrative

According to a legend the Devil is said to have washed spoons in the hollow (L.Jakubenoka, 2006).

Attraction

Well-shaped linden, but there is much household waste (bottles and other things) underneath its dense foliage, around the stem.

Availability

Rather easy accessible. The linden is located next to abandoned house (2011), which may become inhabited at some other time and thus the access



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may be restricted without receiving prior approval from the owners.

Infrastructure, management, facilities

No tourism infrastructure in direct vicinity, only some abandoned homes. Nearest town - Akniste, where one shall find tourism infrastructure: a shop, a catering site, and some sightseeing objects.

Local info

No information.

Capacity

10 - 40

Publicity

Known

Legal Status

Private

Comments

In summer 2011 the "Lesikini" home was uninhabited; a few years ago the house was for sale, but, most probably, it was not sold. There is a secular oak (circumference - 4,20m) growing 10 m from the house.