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## Hike by horses of Žemaitukai breed

04 09 2015 – 10 10 2015 a hike by horses of Žemaitukai breed was performed, that was called „Earth – Human – Horse“.

1700 km were made. The aim of the hike was to promote endangered horses of Žemaitukai breed and commemorate the anniversaries of 1935 and 1975 hikes.

The hike as started by eight riders and two cart riders with a two horse-drawn carriage with hike belongings, two alternate horses and Lithuanian hound dog Alka. Seven hikers completed the hike: Vaidotas Digaitis, Marius Kleišmantas, Česlovas Marcinauskas, Skirmantė Naglytė, Severija Bružaitė, Remigijus Žiauberis. The hike started in a resort town Šventoji at the Baltic Sea. We marched under the sun around Lithuania, along Latvia, Belarus, Poland, Russia. We 22 km moved across the Curonian Lagoon by boat to the Curonian Spit, to Nida. We completed the hike in Šventoji.



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In 2010 by these Žemaitukai horses it was ridden to the Black Sea (the ride „2000 km of History“, in 2011 from Vilnius to Krakow „By the Road of Love“, in 2011 the Baltic Sea was ridden around 6000 km made.

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It is 80 years from the time when rider Vaclovas Smalys rode around Lithuania in 1935 by a Trakehner mare Luokė and made 1500 km within 30 days:



Source: [Horse museum funds](#)

It is 40 years since the time when professor Petras vasinauskas at the age of 75 travelled around Lithuania by a Heavy breed horse Bėris and made 1500 km. After the hike he established a Horse's Museum in Niūronys:



Source: <http://arkliomuziejus.lt/p-vasinausko-kelione-su-arkliu-prisiminius/>

Ferry crossing to Nida:

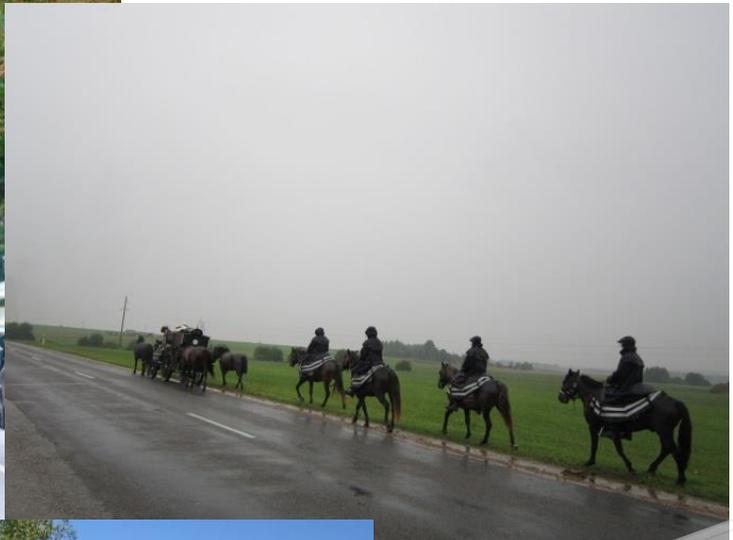


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Overnight places along the Lithuania border ([Click to enlarge](#)):



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