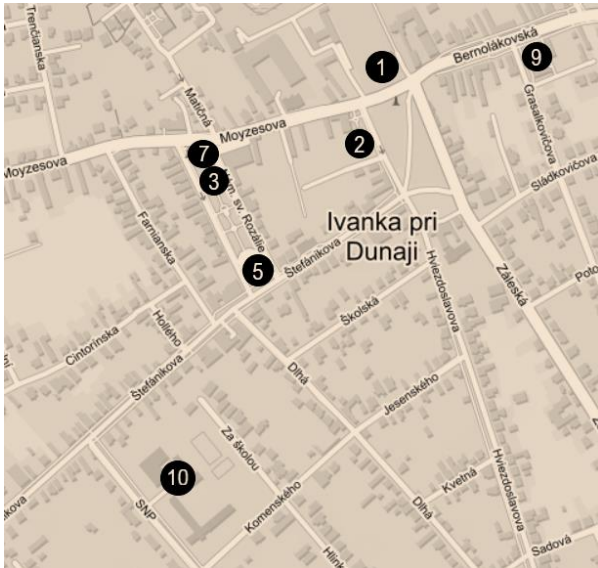


IVANKA PRI DUNAJI

Ivanka pri Dunaji is the second largest village in Slovakia. It is 14.26 km² large and about eight thousand people live here. This village lies near Bratislava, the capital city of Slovakia.



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SIGHTSEEINGS

1. Manor House

One of the places you need to visit is Ivanka pri Dunaji Manor House. It was built in the 18th century by Anton I Grassalkovich. Anton Grassalkovich was the president of Hungarian Chamber. He had his own palace in Bratislava, which is the President Palace now. However, he went to Ivanka pri Dunaji for the weekends. In the middle of the 19th century a Serbian prince living in exile, Michal Obrenovič bought the manor house. It was eventually sold to the Jesuits in the middle of the 20th century. And now it is used by the College of Anton Neuwirth as a student college and home for retired priests.



2. Church of St. John the Baptist

There's only one church in Ivanka pri Dunaji and that is the Church of St. John the Baptist. Construction of the church started in 1770, but it took only two years to finish it. Anton Grassalkovich had it build. When you enter the baroque church you can see beautiful murals from the 1770s. There is also big altar with painting of St. John the Baptist and statues of cherubs from the end of the 18th century. On the sides of the main altar there are sculptures of St. Michael and St. Anthony from 1885.



3. Chapel of St. Rosalie

The most interesting building in St. Rosalie Square is the Chapel of St. Rosalie. It is a round construction with a small turret with a bell in it. It was built in 1831 as a monument to the end of the Black Death. It is dedicated to St. Rosalie because people from Ivanka were praying to her during the plaque. It is also because the pandemic stopped on the feast of St. Rosalie - September 4th. When you walk inside the chapel you can see painting of St. Rosalie with angels and some places from Ivanka under her. There are also some smaller paintings of Jesus Christ and Virgin Mary. But the most important things are the white and gold altar and two rococo reliquaries. There is a black hand in one of them!



4. The Mound of Milan Rastislav Štefánik

The reason why the most people visit Ivanka pri Dunaji is the Mound of M. R. Štefánik. M. R. Štefánik was a great Slovak astronomer, military aviator, general, diplomat and politician. He was born on July 21st, 1880 in Košariská and died on May 4th, 1919 here in Ivanka pri Dunaji. He died when he was only 38 years old, in the plane crash, while coming back home after the World War. He piloted a wooden aeroplane himself, accompanied by three Italian army officers. In 1923 Dušan Jurkovič built a mound in the shape of pyramid here as a monument. There is also memorial stone with carved names of the perished that general J. Šnejdárrek had built.

There are two mounds of M. R. Štefánik. One is here in Ivanka pri Dunaji and the second, enormous one is on the hill above Košariská, the village he was born in.



5. Pizzeria Emilia

I know you're probably thinking "What can be so interesting about pizzeria"? However, this building is 90 years old, because there was a fire station before. Behind the building, there is a stage, where the village festivals' performances take place and kids from all the Ivanka's schools act, sing and dance.



6. St. Rosalie Square

St. Rosalie Square is a park in Ivanka. A lot of people go there every day to walk, meet their friends or have an ice cream. It is the best place you can take your friends to. There is a playground so parents take their small kids to have fun. There are a few places to eat. For example you can have Italian food at Pizzeria Emilia or famous "ivanské langoše" at Miki's.



7. Information Centre

Information Centre is a round modern building in St. Rosalie Square. There are sometimes exhibitions or performances. It is a place where you can buy some souvenirs and books about Ivanka history (only in Slovak).



8. Štrkovka

In summer it can get really hot in Ivanka, so you might want to go swimming. Štrkovka or Šutrovka is only a few minutes' walk or bike ride away from the village centre. You can also roast sausages or take a walk around the lake. A simple pub called Wigwam offers nice roast fish and draft Kofola.



9. Café Štefánik

If you need caffeine, try Café Štefánik. However, good coffee isn't the only thing you can have here. They offer a lot of great homemade lemonades. But believe me: the raspberry is the best one. They also offer pricey, but good sandwiches, salads, or cakes.

10. M. R. Štefánik Primary School

M. R. Štefánik Primary School is one of the biggest schools in Senec District. More than 800 kids attend the school. A lot of them are from nearby Zálesie, because they don't have their own school in their village. Our school has been involved in eTwinning Schoolvision since 2016. Schoolvision is a singing competition for kids from European countries. There is always one school that represents the country. The young singers from Ivanka pri Dunaji School proudly represent Slovakia and thanks to it have found many friends abroad.



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