

Divjaka – Karavasta National Park Guide Map



Project for Capacity Building for Improving Ecosystem Based Management on Divjaka-Karavasta National Park



Description of Divjaka – Karavasta National Park



The Divjakë-Karavasta National Park lies on the Adriatic coast with a territory of 22,389 ha, at a distance of 90 km from Tirana and 60 km from the Port of Durrës. It is a complex ecosystem combining several habitats with a diversity of wild flora and fauna and an amazing landscape.

Karavasta Lagoon is a home to a large number of species of fish and other aquatic life. In this lagoon lives the curly pelican, included in the IUCN red list, and many other nesting and migratory waterfowl. In the heart of the lagoon, the pelican builds its nest where it raises its young away from human disturbance and predatory animals. Thanks to its high natural values, the Karavasta lagoon wetland area has been listed by the Ramsar Convention since 1995 as a wetland of international Importance.

This area offers opportunities for year-round ecotourism with a focus on nature and to get to know the culture and tradition of the local residents. In the Park area, tourists can explore not only nature and Karavasta Lagoon, but also local villages and farms.

This trail passes on top of the hills in eastern part of the park. You can see the oak forest and enjoy the landscape and the broad view of the area. Est 230 minutes one-way on foot.



7- Trail of the Gjeneruka Forests - 22.4 km



In this site you can observe in the coastal area the presence of a variety of bird species including pelican, flamingo etc. You can observe the traditional fishing techniques. About 40 minutes one-way on foot.

6- Trail of the tower at the north beach area - 4.1km



At the watching tower you can observe the entire lagoon, several bird species, you can see the fishing trap in the channel etc. By binoculars you can observe the pelican nesting site. Est 60 minutes one-way on foot.

5- Trail of the tower by the First Lagoon channel - 5.3km

This trail passes through the forest area and along the lagoon shore. From this area you can observe the pelican breeding site, and other bird species. Est. 30 minutes one-way on foot.



4- Trail of the Pelican - 3.3km

This route allows you to see the sandy dune forest between the lagoon and the sea. Here you can see the flora along the trail. Along this trail there is also the "Big Pine", which dropped down in 2022. Est. 90 minutes one-way on foot.



3- Trail of the Big Pine Tree - 8.4km

This is one of the longest trails in DKNP from the Visitor center. On the way you can see the divide of the lagoon and the sea, as well as the three channels which connect them. At Skela e Pirgut, there is a watch tower where you can observe the landscape. Est. 140 minutes one-way on foot



2- Trail of the "Skela e Pirgut" - 14.0km

This trail allows you to see the sandy dune forest between the lagoon and the sea. Here you can see the pine trees, shrubs and flowers along the trail. Est. 30 minutes one-way on foot



1- Trail of "Tajga" - 2.7km

This trail allows you to see the sandy dune forest between the lagoon and the sea. Here you can see the pine trees, shrubs and flowers along the trail. Est. 30 minutes one-way on foot

~ Trail Course ~



You can find photos of Divjake Karavasta National Park. Please follow us!

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ACTIVITY	ZONING OF DKNP			
	CA	SUA	RA	RA
Walking and cycling along marked paths	✓	✓	✓	✓
Walking with horses / mules / donkeys	✓	✓	✓	✓
Motor vehicles on existing roads	✓	✓	✓	✓
Camping in certain places	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ignition of fire in certain places	✓	✓	✓	✓
Collection of plants	✓	✓	✓	✓
Wood cutting	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recreational fishing	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hunting	✓	✓	✓	✓



Prohibited activities in each zone

- ✓ Do not enter in the restricted areas for biodiversity conservation.
- ✓ Avoid disturbance to the animals and observe them from a certain distance.
- ✓ If you are driving a car within the park, respect the speed limit which is 20 km/h)
- ✓ The speed limit is 20 km/h.
- ✓ You must never damage, destroy or remove animal dens, nests, eggs or young!
- ✓ You must never bring in and release foreign species of animals!
- ✓ You can never stop the park rangers from doing their duty!
- ✓ You must never damage any property or facility of the national park such as watching towers, informative and sign boards, etc.

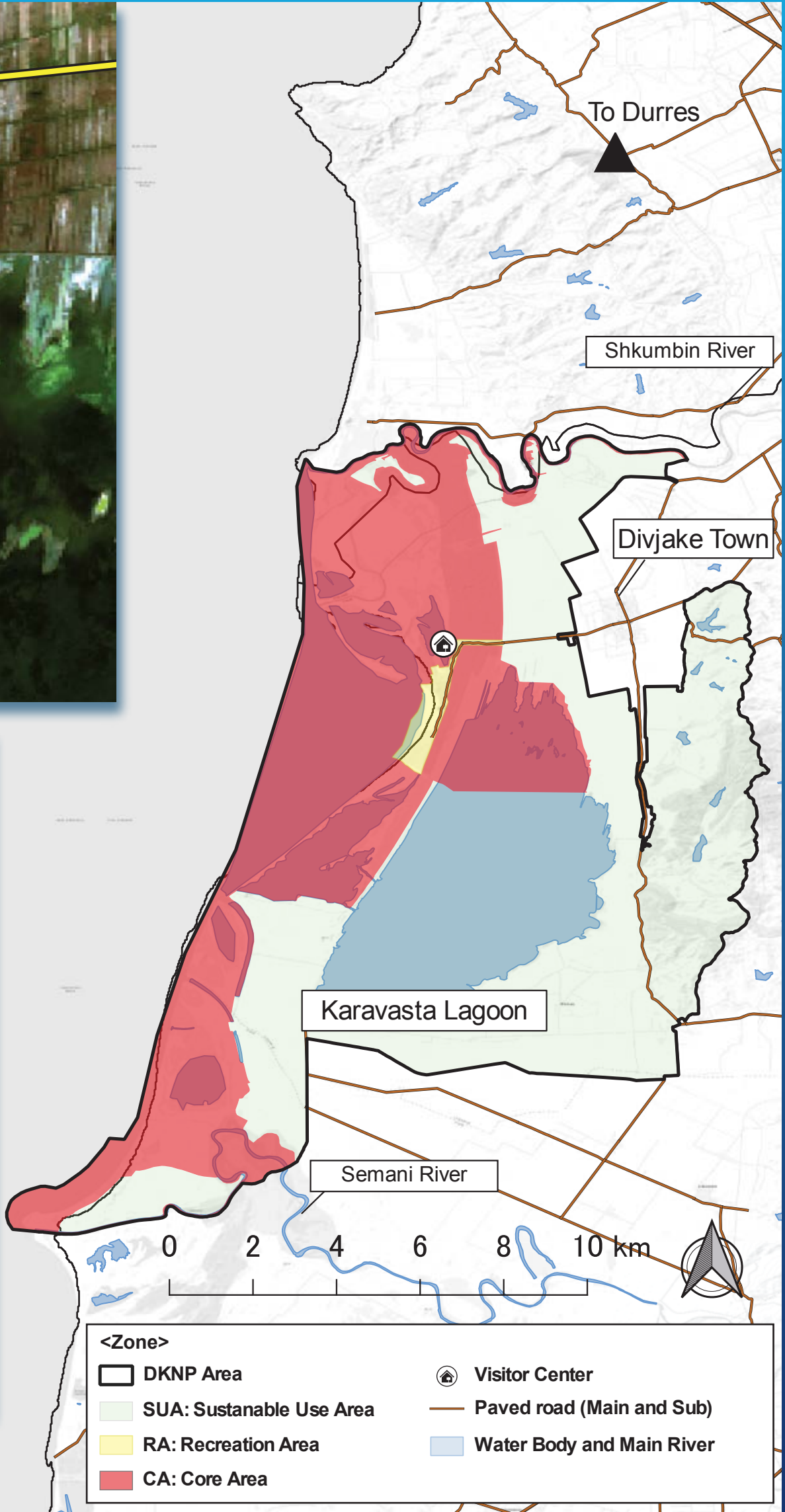
The code of conduct for visitors in Divjaka Karavasta National Park is intended to make them aware while visiting the park, about the importance of following and respecting the rules on Park nature, biodiversity and landscape for a most pleasant and impressive visit. Visitors, with their proper behavior, contribute for the preservation of the natural environment and the infrastructure of the park.

Code of Conduct for Visitors in the Divjake-Karavasta National Park "For Sustainable Tourism"

Eco-Tourism Map



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Legend

- Visitor Center
- Lagoon Boat Trips
- View Point
- Swim Area
- Restaurant

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- How long is the walk ?
- 30 Min.
 - 140 Min.
 - 90 Min.
 - 30 Min.
 - 60 Min.
 - 40 Min.
 - 230 Min.
- (Time required from the Visitor Center)