

# PRAZNIK KOZJANSKEGA JABOLKA

The Kozjansko  
Apple Festival



Kozjanski  
park

TRG PODSREDA

**13. - 14.**  
**OCTOBER 2018**



The event will be opened by the Minister of the Environment and  
Spatial Planning, Mr Jure Leben

## IN KOZJANSKI PARK, APPLE IS MORE THAN JUST A FRUIT

The Kozjansko Apple Festival is the central nature conservation event of Kozjanski Park, which we developed in one of the largest and most important events of these kind. This year's already 19th event will be held from 7th to 14th October.

The apples of Kozjansko grow in standard-size meadow orchards which are among the most important protected habitats in Kozjansko Park – this is the living habitat of certain types of endangered birds, such as Eurasian wrynecks, the green woodpecker, the grey-headed woodpecker, European scops owl, common redstart, small owl and red-backed shrike. Because of them, meadow orchards are included in Natura 2000. Apple from standard-size meadow orchard is a symbol of nature protection, the continuation of tradition and heritage of Slovenian ancestors, prosperity and healthy food as well as a symbol of recognisability of protected area of the Kozjanski park.

A central role at the stalls is also this year dedicated to organic farmers from the protected and wider area and to various handicraft workshops with their top quality products.

The emphasis is on the old varieties of apples, the healthy agricultural products grown naturally and the originally processed fruits for the winter. Craft workshops offer top quality products of traditional folk crafts.

The event will also feature numerous societies and professional services that manage environment of the protected area in natural and sustainable manner, as well as numerous music groups contributing to a pleasant atmosphere at the event with their cultural programme.

All participants at the Kozjansko Apple Festival and all the employees of Kozjanski Park warmly invite you to Kozjansko and wish you pleasant moments in the idyllic, well-kept Podsreda square.

## TEMPORARY OVERVIEW OF EVENTS

**SUNDAY,**  
7th October  
From 9 am  
to 4 pm

### A HIKE THROUGH ORCHARDS IN KOZJANSKO

**Meeting point:** Pišece, Church of St. Mihael

**Path:** Pišece – Pleteršnik homestead – Castle park Pišece – Church of St. Jedrt – Pavlova village – St. Jernej – Pišece

**Walking time:** 4,5 hours; with interpretations and stops 7 hours

**Starting fee:** 10,00 € (includes the expenses of preparing the hike, card, lunch).

Expert explanations along the route and tasting at the beginning of the journey is covered by Kozjanski Park. Starting fee is optional.

**Conclusion:** around 4pm

**Equipment:** hiking shoes and clothes adjusted to all weather conditions

**Food:** food and drink during the hike from the backpack



**TUESDAY,**  
9th October  
at 4 pm

### HERMAN'S CREATIVE PLACE

A birthday gift box and a tour of the exhibition Birthday in Herman's lodge.

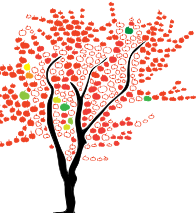
**Place:** Podsreda Castle

**WEDNESDAY,**  
10th October  
from 8 am  
to 12 pm

### HOUSE IN THE PARK

»To preserve the identity of the Kozjansko landscape it is not necessary to build traditional houses of Kozjansko from 19th century, it is necessary to recognize their spatial and aesthetic quality and combine them with needs of today's time,« are saying in METRO SR, Institution for the Savinja region, with whom we will carry out an architectural workshop with students of primary school Bistrica ob Sotli.

**Place:** Podsreda Castle



**THURSDAY,**  
11th October  
7 pm

**6TH EVENING OF AŠKERC IN PODSREDA**  
Dedicated to the poet Simon Gregorčič  
**Place:** Home of parish in Podsreda

**FRIDAY,**  
12th October  
6 pm

**OPENING OF EXHIBITIONS**  
Old varieties of apples  
Forest beetles – do we know them?  
**Place:** Slovenian-Bavarian house in Podsreda



**SATURDAY,**  
13th October  
From 10 am  
to 6 pm

**FAIR OF REGIONAL PRODUCTS**

- Marketplace with regional products
- Presentation of projects, schools, protected areas and partner institutions
- Presentation of societies and associations
- Presentation of traditional crafts
- Presentation of fruit processing
- Competition and board games
- Creative workshops for children
- Rich cultural program

At 10 am

**SOLEMN OPENING** of the Kozjansko Apple Festival  
Award ceremony for the name Carjevič 2019 and the  
Sožitje brand-Kozjanski Park

At 11 am

**Opening of mushroom exhibition** of the Mushroom society  
Kozjansko Kozje  
**Place:** Slovenian-Bavarian house in Podsreda

From 12 pm

**Football tournament** of juniors in small football  
**Place:** Playground in Podsreda

At 2 pm

**Dragon of Kozjansko 100 years ago** / a play for old and  
young  
**Place:** Event tent

From 5 pm

**Football tournament of veteran** for transition cup of  
Kozjansko Park  
**Place:** Playground in Podsreda

From 6 pm  
to 12 am

**PROGRAM  
WITH  
ENSEMBLE  
SEKSTAKORD**



**SUNDAY,**  
14th October  
From 10 am  
to 5 pm

**FAIR OF REGIONAL PRODUCTS**  
**Marketplace and rich cultural program**

From 10.30 am  
to 1 pm

**Social cycling**  
**Info:** Cycling section Orans  
Gašper Rainer, 041/986-106

From 11  
to 1 pm

**Recreational run to Podsreda Castle**  
**Info:** Sports association Podsreda,  
Jernej Jagric, 041/834-761

At 12 pm

**Competition in baking of apple strudel** for the title  
»Štrudlmojstrica«



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The event is organized by Kozjanski Park. We reserve the right  
for changes in the program.

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