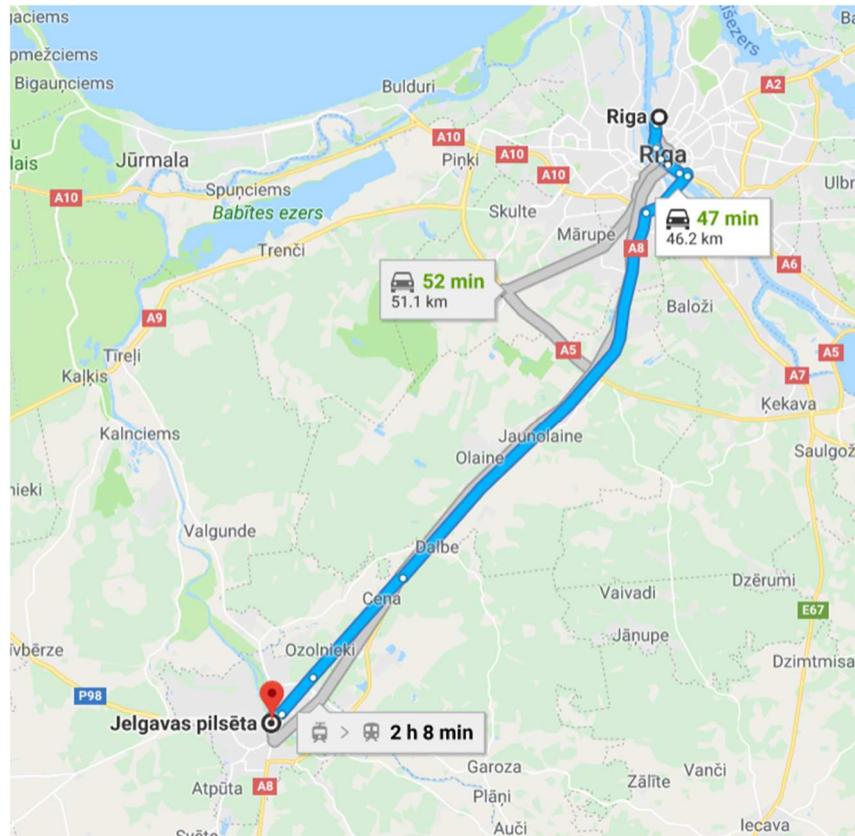


Journey Mapping of the Route: Riga – Jelgava – Jūrmala

We will be driving from Riga to Jelgava by car.

First, we will take the A8 motorway from Riga to Jelgava via Olaine, Cena, Ozolnieki. It is 46.4 km long and we can make it in 47 minutes. We will be visiting the Jelgava Palace, walking by the river, and will have a quick coffee-on-the-go. We will spend 1.5 hours in Jelgava.



Next, we will be driving from Jelgava to Jūrmala.

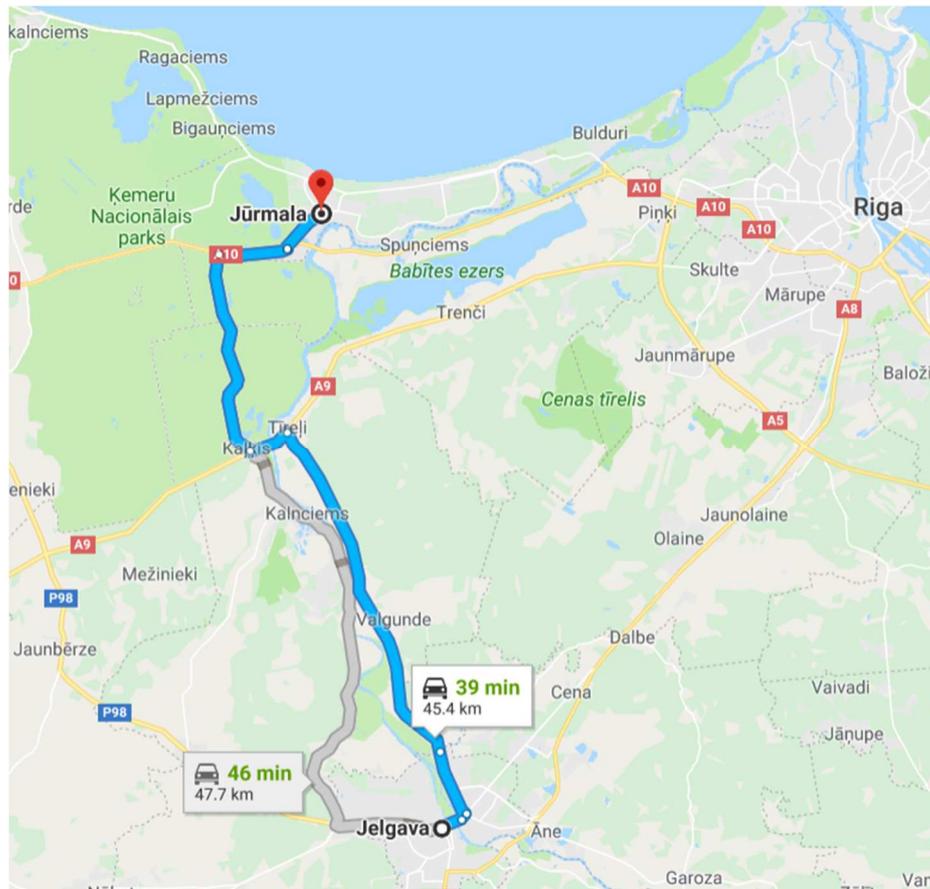
There are two options available.

Option 1. We can take Kalnciems road (P99 motorway) to Tīreļi and then turn left into A9 and proceed to Kaļķis. Then we have to turn right at Kaļķis and drive along P101 up to A10 motorway where it is necessary to take the right turn and drive to Jūrmala.

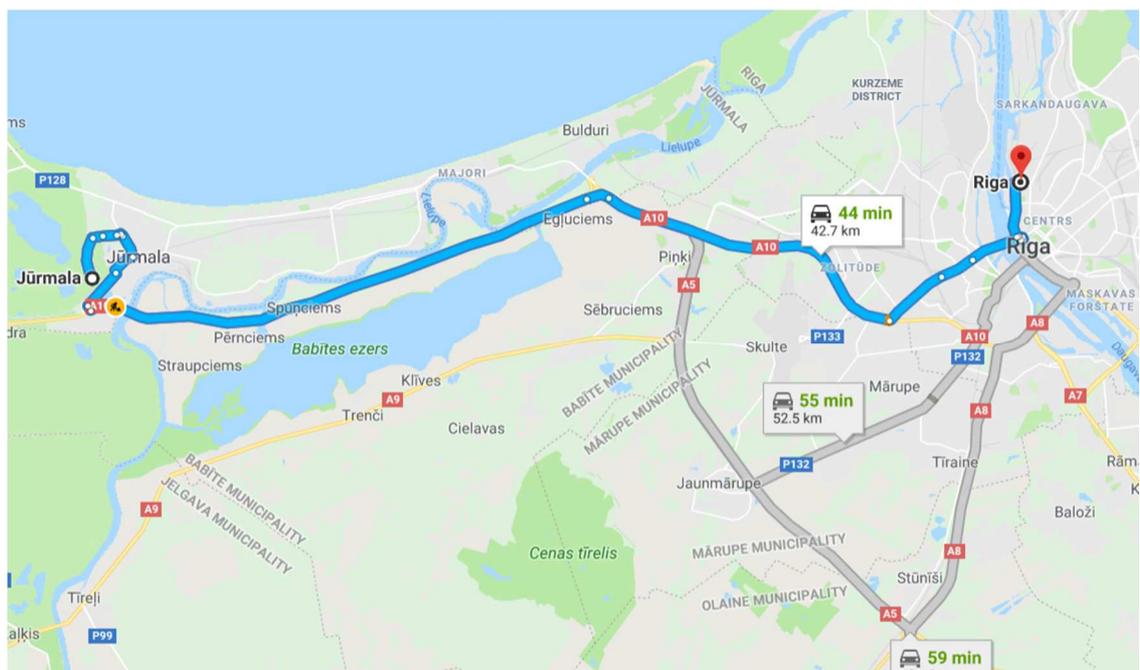
Option 2. Another option is to take a minor Dobele road to Rosība, then turn right and drive via Kalnciems to Kaļķis. Then we shall continue along P101 motorway and drive up to A10 motorway, turn right and proceed to Jūrmala.

The first option is 45.4 km long and it takes 39 minutes to get from Jelgava to Jūrmala. The second option is 47.7 km long and it is a 46-minute drive.

We will take Option 2 as it is a more scenic drive than driving along the motorway all the way long.



Finally, after spending 3-4 hours in Jūrmala – walking along the seaside, having lunch and taking lots of nice photos, we will drive from Jūrmala to Riga along A10 motorway. It is only 37.8 km long and it is about 34-minute drive, but we may need more time because of traffic jams that are frequent on this highway.



To conclude, this is a nice journey and a possibility for a family and friends to relax together. In total we will have driven about 140 km, will have seen two cities of Zemgale, will have enjoyed fresh air by the sea, will have visited a palace and will have had a nice meal. The whole journey takes about 7-8 hours.