



BOHINJ

Bohinj is a beautiful Alpine valley in the heart of Triglav National Park. It is known for Lake Bohinj, traditional villages, clear rivers and unspoilt mountain scenery.

In summer, visitors can swim, walk or cycle around the lake, go kayaking or paddleboarding, take a boat ride, visit Savica Waterfall or take the cable car to Vogel. The area is also popular for hiking, picnics and photography.

In winter, Bohinj offers skiing and snowboarding at Vogel, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, sledding and winter walks through snow-covered villages. It is an excellent year-round destination for nature, outdoor activities and a peaceful Alpine experience.

Main attractions

Lake Bohinj

Lake Bohinj is the largest permanent natural lake in Slovenia and one of the most beautiful natural attractions in Triglav National Park. It is surrounded by forests, traditional Alpine villages and the high peaks of the Julian Alps. The lake is well known for its clear water, peaceful atmosphere and impressive mountain views.

Visitors can walk along the shore, relax by the water, take photographs or enjoy a picnic. During the summer, swimming is popular, although the water can remain quite cool. Other activities include kayaking, canoeing, paddleboarding and panoramic boat rides across the lake. A full circuit of the lake is approximately 12 kilometres long and usually takes around three to four hours, depending on walking speed and the number of stops along the way. The path is mostly easy, but comfortable footwear is recommended.



Ribčev Laz

Ribčev Laz is the main visitor area at the eastern end of Lake Bohinj and one of the most recognisable places in the region. It is known for its historic stone bridge, the Church of St John the Baptist and beautiful views across the lake towards the surrounding mountains.

The area is a convenient starting point for short walks, boat rides and visits to nearby attractions. It also has cafés, restaurants, tourist information and public transport connections. Because of its location and facilities, Ribčev Laz is often the first stop for visitors arriving in Bohinj. The stone bridge and the church are among the most popular photography locations in the valley.



Ukanc

Ukanc is located at the western end of Lake Bohinj and is quieter and more natural than Ribčev Laz. It is surrounded by forests and mountains and offers a more peaceful atmosphere. The lakeside area is suitable for walking, swimming, picnics and relaxing in nature.

Ukanc is also an important starting point for several attractions. From here, visitors can continue towards Savica Waterfall or reach the lower station of the Vogel cable car. The area is especially suitable for people who prefer a quieter part of the lake and want to spend more time outdoors.



Savica Waterfall

Savica Waterfall is one of the best-known waterfalls in Slovenia and one of Bohinj's most popular natural attractions. The waterfall is famous for its distinctive shape and its location in a dramatic forested gorge.

From the Koča pri Savici area, a marked path with stone steps leads to the viewpoint. The climb usually takes about 20 to 25 minutes in one direction. Although the walk is not very long, it includes a large number of steps and can be moderately demanding. Good walking shoes are recommended because the path may be wet and slippery, especially after rain.

At the viewpoint, visitors can enjoy a close view of the waterfall and the surrounding rocks and forest. A small entrance fee may be charged for access to the path. Enough time should be planned for both the climb and the return.



Trip from Celje to Bohinj

Extended trip

Vogel

The trip can also be extended with a visit to Vogel, which is located above Lake Bohinj near Ukanc. A cable car takes visitors from the valley to the upper station, where there are panoramic views of Lake Bohinj, the Julian Alps and the surrounding mountain landscape.

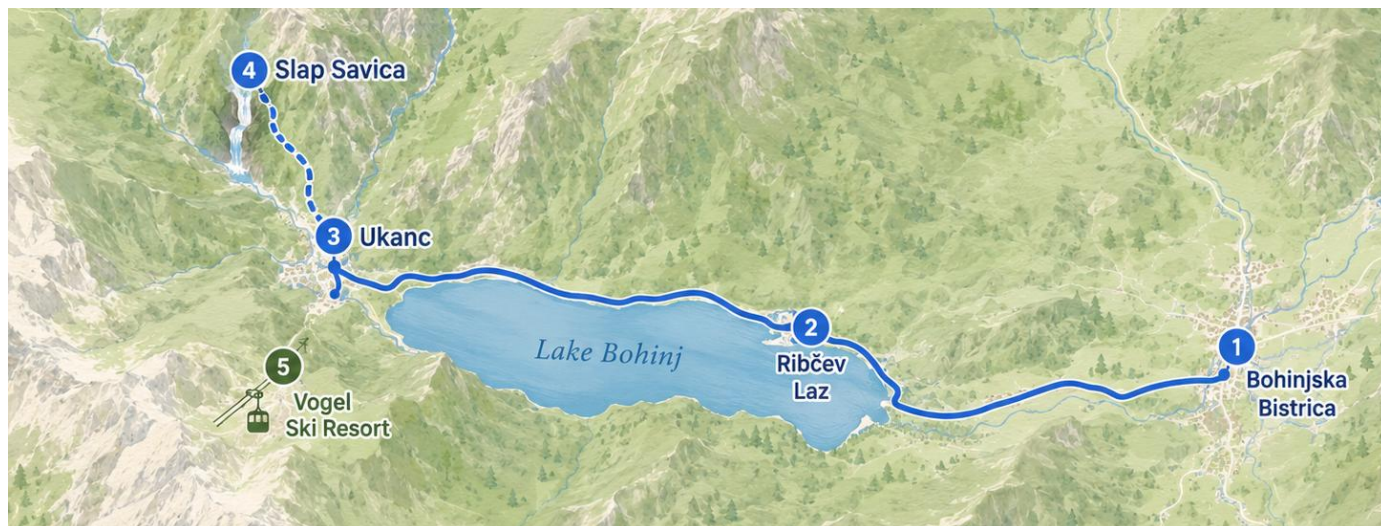
In summer, Vogel is popular for hiking, mountain walks and photography. Several trails begin near the upper station, making it possible to enjoy either a short walk or a longer hike. In winter, Vogel is a well-known ski area offering skiing and snowboarding in a high Alpine setting.

This extension requires additional time and should only be included if the weather is suitable and the return bus schedule allows it. Visitors should also check the cable car operating times before travelling.



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Main stops and distances



Route	Approx. distance	Walking time	Bus time
Bohinjska Bistrica – Ribčev Laz	about 6 km	about 1 h 20 min	about 10–15 min
Ribčev Laz – Ukanc	about 4.5 km	about 55–65 min	about 10 min
Ukanc – Savica parking area	about 4 km	about 50–60 min	about 8–10 min
Savica parking – waterfall viewpoint	about 1 km	about 20–25 min uphill	not applicable
Around Lake Bohinj	about 12 km	about 3–4 hours	not applicable

**Distances and walking times are approximate and may vary according to the selected path and walking pace.

Recommended weekend journey from Celje

1. Take an early train from Celje to Ljubljana.
2. Continue by direct bus from Ljubljana Bus Station to Bohinj Ukanc. The bus journey takes approximately two hours and usually travels via Bled, Bohinjska Bistrica and Ribčev Laz.
3. The most practical option requires only one main transfer, as Ljubljana Bus Station is located next to the railway station.
4. From Ukanc, continue towards Savica Waterfall by seasonal summer bus when the timetable is suitable. The local bus journey takes approximately 8–10 minutes.
5. Savica Waterfall can also be reached on foot from Ukanc. This option is suitable for visitors who have enough time and are prepared for a longer walk.
6. For the return journey, take an afternoon or early-evening bus from Ukanc or Ribčev Laz to Ljubljana.
7. Allow at least 30 minutes for the transfer from Ljubljana Bus Station to the train at Ljubljana Railway Station.
8. Continue from Ljubljana to Celje by train or, during railway works, by a replacement bus.
9. Check the final same-day connection before departure, especially on Sundays, public holidays and during engineering works.

Suggested Weekend Travel Route from Celje to Bohinj

For a weekend trip to Bohinj, I suggest travelling by train and bus. The most practical option is to take a direct train from Celje to Ljubljana and then continue by direct bus from Ljubljana Bus Station to Bohinj.

The railway station and the bus station in Ljubljana are located next to each other, which makes the transfer relatively simple. This route is convenient because it requires only one change and avoids additional transfers in Kranj or Jesenice.

Outward journey

- Departure from Celje Railway Station early in the morning. Direct train from Celje to Ljubljana.

Timetable: Celje – Ljubljana (train)

04:35

Celje — Ljubljana

05:55

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Number of transfers: 0

Travel time: 01:20

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Train: MV 1246

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05:25

Celje — Ljubljana

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Number of transfers: 0

Travel time: 01:30

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Train: LPV 2001

06:22

Celje — Ljubljana

08:02

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Number of transfers: 1

Travel time: 01:40

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Train: LPV 2901

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Train: LPV 2250

06:34

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Number of transfers: 0

Travel time: 01:08

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Train: ICS 11

07:41

Celje — Ljubljana

09:00

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Number of transfers: 0

Travel time: 01:19

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Train: IC 503

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- Arrival at Ljubljana Railway Station.
- Short walk to Ljubljana Bus Station.
- Direct bus from Ljubljana to Bohinjska Bistrica .

Timetable: Ljubljana – Bohinjska Bistrica (bus)

06:00	Ljubljana AP	01:50	Prikaži celo pot ▾
		18.07.2026	
		76 km	
07:50	Bohinjska Bistrica		
			6,70 EUR
			Kupite vozovnico

07:00	Ljubljana AP	01:50	Prikaži celo pot ▾
		18.07.2026	
		76 km	
08:50	Bohinjska Bistrica		
			6,70 EUR
			Kupite vozovnico

08:00	Ljubljana AP	01:45	Prikaži celo pot ▾
		18.07.2026	
		80 km	
09:45	Bohinjska Bistrica		
			6,70 EUR
			Kupite vozovnico

10:00	Ljubljana AP	01:50	Prikaži celo pot ▾
		18.07.2026	
		76 km	
11:50	Bohinjska Bistrica		
			6,70 EUR
			Kupite vozovnico

- Arrival in Bohinjska Bistrica in the late morning.
- Approximate total travel time: around four hours, including the transfer in Ljubljana.

Local transport in Bohinj

Regular buses connect Bohinjska Bistrica, Ribčev Laz and Ukanc. In the summer season, additional organised routes operate around Bohinj, including a daily service from Bohinjska Bistrica to Savica Waterfall from 26 June to 31 August 2026.

Return journey

- Departure from Bohinjska Bistrica in the late afternoon.
- Direct bus from Bohinjska Bistrica to Ljubljana.

Timetable: Bohinjska Bistrica– Ljubljana (bus)

16:55	Bohinjska Bistrica	01:52	Prikaži celo pot ▾
18:47	Ljubljana AP	18.07.2026	
		77 km	
			6,70 EUR
			Kupite vozovnico

18:55	Bohinjska Bistrica	01:48	Prikaži celo pot ▾
20:43	Ljubljana AP	18.07.2026	
		80 km	
			6,70 EUR
			Kupite vozovnico

19:55	Bohinjska Bistrica	01:52	Prikaži celo pot ▾
21:47	Ljubljana AP	18.07.2026	
		77 km	
			6,70 EUR
			Kupite vozovnico

- Transfer from Ljubljana Bus Station to Ljubljana Railway Station.
- Direct train from Ljubljana to Celje.

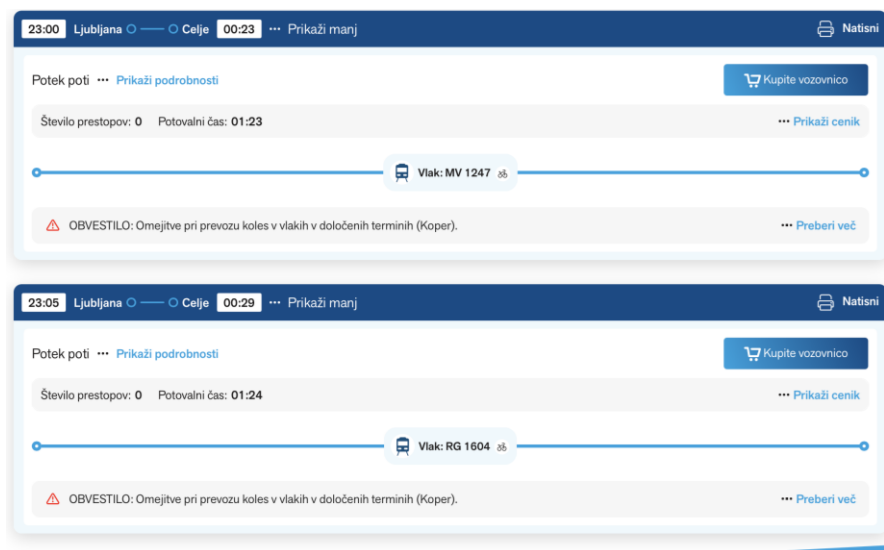
Timetable: Ljubljana – Celje (train)

18:50	Ljubljana	Celje	20:29	Prikaži manj	Natisni
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OBVESTILO: Vlak vozi do/s postaje Ljubljana do/z začasnih peronov 95, 96, 97, 98 (do nadaljnjega). ... Preberi več					

19:50	Ljubljana	Celje	21:00	Prikaži manj	Natisni
Potek poti ... Prikaži podrobnosti					
Število prestopov: 0 Potovalni čas: 01:10 ... Prikaži cenik					
Avtobusni prevoz na relaciji Ljubljana - Celje in obratno (do 12. decembra). ... Preberi več					

20:50	Ljubljana	Celje	22:25	Prikaži manj	Natisni
Potek poti ... Prikaži podrobnosti					
Število prestopov: 0 Potovalni čas: 01:35 ... Prikaži cenik					
OBVESTILO: Vlak vozi do/s postaje Ljubljana do/z začasnih peronov 95, 96, 97, 98 (do nadaljnjega). ... Preberi več					

Trip from Celje to Bohinj



- Arrival in Celje in the evening.

Official timetable and travel links

- Slovenske železnice - <https://potniski.sz.si/en/>
- Arriva - <https://arriva.si>
- Promet Bohinj - <https://promet.bohinj.si/en/organised-transport/>
- SiMO- <https://www.simo.si>

Useful local options

Regular Ljubljana–Bohinj buses run almost every hour and continue through Bohinjska Bistrica and Ribčev Laz to Ukanc.

Summer organised transport lines operate from mid-June; most daily services run from late June to the end of August.

The Bohinj 24h organised-transport ticket costs €2 for adults and allows unlimited journeys on the seasonal organised lines. It is not valid on regular Arriva/Nomago buses, trains, boats or the Vogel cable car.

Tickets for organised transport cannot be bought on the bus; they should be purchased online or at designated ticket machines and tourist information points.

For the exact timetable, use the SiMO trip planner or the Promet Bohinj timetable page shortly before travelling.