

THE TRACES OF THE SEAGULL IN KLAIPĖDA

OTHER MARITIME OBJECTS:



• Lithuanian Sea Museum

(Smiltynės st. 3)

Nerija Fort was built in the second half of the 19th century and was almost destroyed during the Second World War. However, in 1979 it was rebuilt and opened as a museum. There are installed aquariums with Baltic and tropical fishes, sea nature exposition, Lithuanian Shipping history exposition, antique and modern anchors collection.



• Port's gateway

The gateway of port of Klaipėda consists of the southern and northern piers, that protect the port from the waves, the ledge, and the weathering. The northern pier is a favorite place of townspeople for walks.



• Swing Bridge (Chain Bridge)

(by the Žvejų st. 22)

Physical person's power is used to rotate the swing bridge through the site of an ancient castle. It is a unique object that was built in 1855. It is made of riveted iron, decorated with chains, therefore, up to World War II it was called "Chain Bridge". Two people rotate the bridge the way boats and yachts can enter the Castle port.



• Robert Meyhoefer maritime building

(Žvejų st. 2)

This building was built in 1923 according to Chicago skyscrapers' projects. The President of Lithuania Antanas Smetona, who fell in love with Chicago buildings, supervised the project of the building and the construction itself. It was the first high-rise building in Klaipėda, where the first elevator was built.



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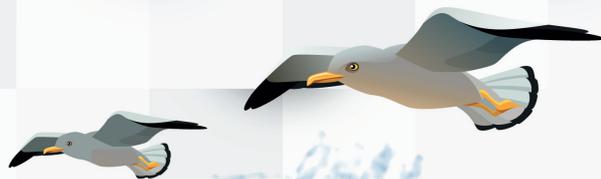
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The Seagull – old and young at once, mischievous and solemn, a foodie and a gourmet – is directly related to the city, port of Klaipėda and the Baltic Sea.

DISCOVER KLAIPĖDA CITY TOGETHER WITH THE SEAGULL!



WAREHOUSES:

- **Salt warehouse** (Turgaus st. 37A) was built in 1770-1780 above the foundation St. Michael's Church of Lithuanian Evangelical Lutherans. In the middle of 19th century there was a herring sorting and quality control institution.
- **"Two brothers"** (Žvejų st. 4, 4A) – "Dange" herring warehouse was built in 1861 and after a decade "Germania" agricultural products warehouse was built. For the similar architecture buildings were called "Two brothers" ("Du broliai").
- **Flax seeds warehouse** (Aukštoji st. 3) – in a fachwerk warehouse that was built in 18th century flax seeds were stored, sorted, poured into barrels and prepared to export.
- **Rice mill warehouse** (Žvejų st. 22) was built in 18th century, for processing Chinese rice. After Second World War the building was destroyed and until these days, there are only first floor's brickwork fragments left. Now the building is reconstructed and has regained its authentic form.
- **Carl warehouse** (Žvejų st. 18) – presumably it is called in honor of Carl's Bridge. It was used for the storage of grains, seeds, and feeds, there was a slipway, which operated until the end of 19th century. Presumably, a rich merchant S. Sch. Michelzen built warehouse (Žvejų st. 18A). It was used for iron and metal works storage.

SHIP REPAIR COMPANIES:

- Nowadays' Theatre Square and Dienovidžio Square – a former part of Danė/Dangė river port complex. Sailboats were constructed here in 16th century.
- In 1919, **P. Lindenau** founded a **Ship Repair company** which was engaged in construction of the metal and wood ships, it operated as a machinery factory and foundry. In 1922 the first big ship was built – a steamship. Until now, it has remained as ship-house with a slipway.

SHIPS-VETERANS:

- Ships-veterans – are Lithuania Sea Museum's exhibits: fishing trawler **"Dubingiai"**, which was used for fishing in the Atlantic ocean and now in its halls it holds exhibitions, in the summer there is a permanent 18-19th century engravings exposition; in 1949 a **motor dory** and a small

fishery trawl "Kolyma" were built, **Kurenkahn "Süd.1"** – the same sailboats were used for fishing in Curonian Lagoon until 1950's.

- **Sailing vessel "Meridianas"** (Danė/Dangė river bank, by the Biržos bridge). The educational vessel "Meridianas" that was built in 1948 in Finland, has been used for educational purposes for 20 years and served to train future sailors and Masters. "Meridianas", which takes place in Danė/Dangė River is an inseparable Klaipėda port symbol.
- **Sailing vessel "Brabander"** (Cruise ship terminal). Klaipėda University trailing-sailboat was built in 1977 in Holland. The sailboat is used for maritime specialty practicum and scientific expeditions. It represents Lithuania in the International regatta, participates in city events. Historical and touristic routes in the Baltic sea are organized while visiting Swedish, Finnish, Latvian, and Polish ports.

MEMORIAL BOLLARDS

(sculptor K. Pūdymas, architect A. Skiezgelas)

On the left bank of the Danė/Dangė river, six monuments – knechts or bollards – stand to commemorate Lithuanian maritime achievements.

Knechts or bollard stand in the honour of:

- **Gintaras Paulionis**, who sailed across the Baltic Sea in 1994 with a rowboat "Alfred Jensen";
- **Yachts – "Lietuva", "Dailė", and "Audra"**, which during the Reform Movement of Lithuania, bearing the Lithuanian National flag, sailed through the Atlantic Ocean. This achievement has become a symbol of Lithuanian Independence;
- **Norwegian ship "Anna of Sand"** – the oldest fishermen sailboat, which crew has repeated Norwegian trade herring path and have been to Klaipėda in 1990;
- **Yacht "Ambersail"** – which crew have sailed around the world with the goal to invite Lithuanian communities from five continents all over the world to celebrate Lithuanian Millenium event.

