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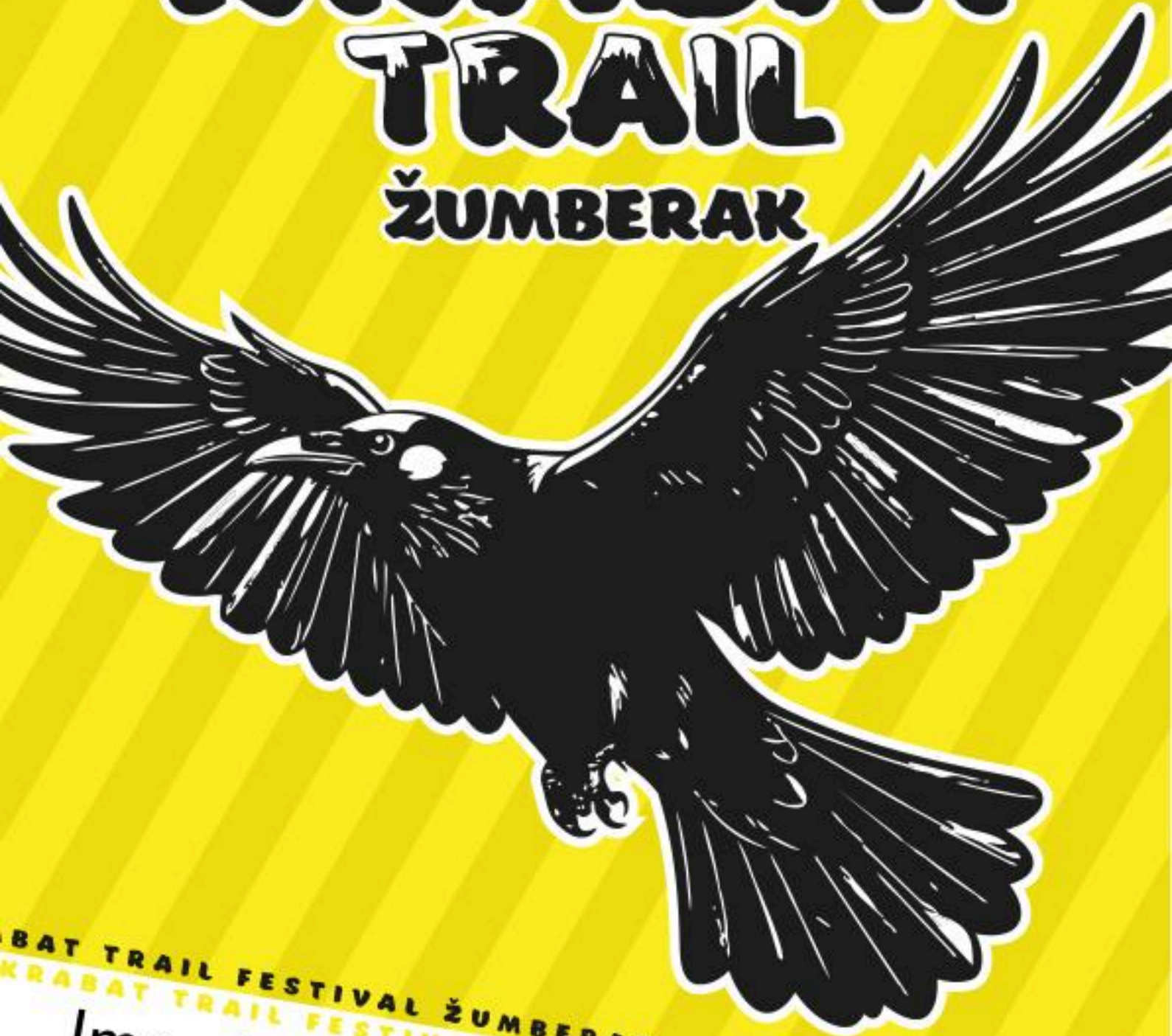
KRABAT TRAIL

ŽUMBERAK



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Important information for competitors

DEAR COMPETITORS

thank you for choosing to be a part of our event!
Before we see you on Saturday, we bring you a summary of all the important information.

!! BE SURE !!

to anticipate traffic congestion and the time it takes to get to Sošice (Žumberak), the start and finish location, so as not to be late for registration and the race.

RACE START/FINISH LOCATION:

Sošice (Žumberak)
https://maps.app.goo.gl/NSdbX5bbQaxQnjsB8

TIMETABLE

THURSDAY 12.03.2026.

17:00-20:00h pick-up of starting packages DZSIR Jastreb extreme, Cvjetno naselje 14, Jastrebarsko

FRIDAY 13.03.2026.

19:00h Opening of the Krabat Trail Festival, DVD Sošice, Sošice, Žumberak municipality
19:00h promotion of Žumberak brandy and homemade cakes
19:00-21:00h pick-up of starting packages DVD Sošice, Sošice, Žumberak municipality

SATURDAY 14.03.2026.

07:00-09:15h Picking up starting numbers at the Sošice Firehouse
07:00-9:00h Promotion of Žumberačka rakija and homemade cakes
09:00h Opening of the Fair of indigenous products of the Žumberačko gorje
09:30h – start of KRABAT TRAIL 37K
10:00h – start of KRABAT TRAIL 18K
10:15h – start of KRABAT TRAIL 10K
11:00h – serving meals, DVD SOŠICE - Announcement of winners depending on the category
16:30h End of races
16:30 – 21:00h party KRABAT TRAIL FESTIVAL, DVD SOŠICE, Sošice

SUNDAY 15.03.2026.

08:00 – 13:00h environmental campaign of waste removal at several locations
08:00 – 15:00h cleaning of event tracks from race markers
16:00h closing of the KRABAT TRAIL FESTIVAL 2026

FESTIVAL WELCOME:
FEEL THE HOSPITALITY OF ŽUMBERAK

On Saturday morning, when you pick up your starting packages at the DVD Sošice, our Festival Welcome awaits you.

What have we prepared for you for a happy start?

- Hot drinks to wake up: Along with the scent of fresh coffee, hot teas made from harvested Žumberak medicinal herbs await you

- Žumberak "antifreeze": For those who want a traditional "wake-up call", we will offer you the original homemade Žumberak brandy. Choose from several flavors - from sharp plum brandy to fragrant honey and forest fruit liqueurs, which have been valued in these parts for centuries as the best medicine against the morning cold.

- Homemade cakes with the scent of tradition: Sweeten yourself with authentic cakes prepared by the hardworking hands of our volunteers. These desserts are made exclusively from ingredients from our region – ancient grains, local walnuts, poppy seeds, and fruit picked on the slopes of Žumberak.

PICKING UP THE STARTER PACKAGES

In order to make picking up the start packages as quick and simple as possible, I ask everyone to come early in the morning and to be patient when registering, because in case of crowd it can take even longer!

Also, all possible questions and changes you want to make earlier via email.

When picking up the start packages, the girls will have lists with payments, at registration please submit a signed STATEMENT of responsibility for the race (you received it in the email), after that you will (FULL START PACKAGES) receive a lunch voucher, a drink voucher, a start package and a start number.

STARTING NUMBER

The starting number must be worn on the front of the body in a visible place due to control and measuring stations.

STARTING PACKAGES

We have prepared two package options for each runner, depending on your registration:

1. BASIC PACKAGE

- Start number and bibs
- Refreshment stations along the entire course and at the finish line
- Krabat Trail 2026 finisher's medal (at the finish line)

2. FULL PACKAGE

- Official t-shirt of the event (Krabat 2026 design)
- Sports socks for running
- Canvas bag with KRABAT TRAIL 2026 logo
- A rich gift package from our sponsors and patrons
- Voucher for a hot meal after the race
- Drink voucher
- Start number and bibs
- Refreshment stations on the course and at the finish line
- Krabat Trail 2026 finisher's medal (at the finish line)

HOT MEAL AFTER THE RACE (LUNCH)

Competitors (FULL START PACKAGES) are provided with a hot meal after the race, prepared by our volunteers.

The meal is served from 11:00, and it is mandatory to have a coupon for the meal that you will receive in the start package.

As a meat meal, we have planned risotto with grilled meat, while the vegetarian menu will be only risotto.
Our volunteers will prepare some other dishes and you will be able to get them there with a donation.

DRINK VOUCHER

Competitors (FULL START PACKAGES) are provided with one drink of their choice at the Sošice Fire Station after the race.
They will also be able to purchase drinks there after the race.

Especially this time, we have prepared excellent craft beer from Kumske pivovara (light and red beer).

FINISHER AWARD

Each competitor will receive an original Krabat Trail 2026 finisher medal upon crossing the finish line.

MANDATORY EQUIPMENT

- start number, it is mandatory to wear the start number in a visible place during the entire race.
- GPS record, MANDATORY!!! In some places, some strange and difficult people remove our markers. All trails will be checked again on the morning of the race and additionally marked if necessary.
- hiking poles are allowed in the race
- mobile phone (turned on, with a charged battery)
- a headlamp is also an option (only 37K) if you plan to stay on the trail longer.

TRAIL MARKS

The trail is marked with several types of markers:

- Pink tapes (inscription ŽUMBERAK TRAIL)
- Signposts with the Krabat Trail 2026 logo
- Žumberak Trail signposts
- Inscriptions and arrows painted on the road

ENERGY STATIONS

Krabat Trail 10K (one energy station)

- FINISH (water, cedevita)

Krabat trail 18K (three energy stations)

- CROSSING THE TRAIL energy station at 9.5km (water, cedevita, coca cola, cookies, chips, fruit, fruit puree)
- SELO JEZERNICE energy station at 14.4km (water, cedevita, coca cola, cookies, chips, fruit, fruit puree)
- FINISH (water, cedevita)

Krabat Trail 37K (four energy stations)

- KOD KRIŽA energy station at 10.5km (water, cedevita, coca cola, cookies, chips, fruit)
- VRH SVETA GERA energy station at 22.6km (water, cedevita, coca cola, cookies, chips, chocolate bars, fruit, fruit puree)
- SELO JEZERNICE refreshment station at 33.3 km (water, cedevita, coca cola, biscuits, chips, fruit, fruit puree)
- FINISH (water, cedevita)

Refreshments for all participants at the finish line (water, cedevita)

TIME MEASUREMENT/RESULTS

Time measurement is done via the service https://www.traceysport.com/ which means that your results will be visible online immediately after you reach the finish line.

The results become official on Wednesday 11.03.2026.

CHECKPOINTS

KRABAT TRAIL 37K

- KT vrh Pliješ, distance from the start 14.9km
- KT vrh Sveta Gera, distance from the start 22.6km
- KT selo Jezernice, distance from the start 33.3km

KRABAT TRAIL 18K

- KT vrh Pliješ, distance from the start 6.2km
- KT selo Jezernice, distance from the start 14.4km

KRABAT TRAIL 10K

- KT vrh Pliješ, distance from the start 6.2km

TIME LIMIT FOR ENTERING THE FINISH LINE

KRABAT TRAIL 37K - 7:00h from the start of the race, Pliješ peak (3:30h from the start) until 13:00h

KRABAT TRAIL 18K – 5:00h from the start of the race

KRABAT TRAIL 10K – 3:30h from the start of the race

GPS TRAIL LOG

KRABAT TRAIL 2026 10K, 10,55km 559 mD+

https://connect.garmin.com/modern/course/426088279

KRABAT TRAIL 2026 18K, 18,44km 851 mD+

https://connect.garmin.com/modern/course/426088490

KRABAT TRAIL 2026 37K, 37,39km 1521 mD+

https://connect.garmin.com/modern/course/426088561

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WINNERS ANNOUNCEMENT

The announcement will take place depending on the category, we as the organizers reserve the right to adjust the announcement time depending on the situation on the track.

Prizes are provided for the following positions by tracks:

- Krabat Trail 10K awards/proclamation: 1-3 place youth up to 16.99 years (M and F), 1-3 place youth up to 65+ years (M and F)
- Krabat Trail 18K awards/proclamation: 1-3 place overall (M and F)
- Krabat Trail 37K awards/proclamation: 1-3 place overall (M and F)
- The first three teams according to the KTL 2026 Regulations, the organizer's awards
- The youngest and oldest participant of the Krabat Trail 2026 race (M and F)

PRIZES FOR THE BEST:

- Krabat trail 2026 medals for the best on each track of the race
- Trophies for the first three teams of KRABAT TRAIL 2026
- gift packages from sponsors

INSURANCE ON THE RACE

The entire race is insured by the HGSS Samobor branch, and you will receive a phone number for emergencies and withdrawals on your start number. Please use this number only in emergencies. An additional plus is that medical assistance is provided at the Jezernice control center and at the finish line.

CONDITION ON THE TRAIL (FOREST CLEARING)

We inform all competitors that forest cutting and tree removal are currently taking place on several sections of our trails. Due to working machinery, parts of the trails are:

- Significantly rutted and destroyed,
- Covered with deep mud and standing water in some places.

Please:

1. Adjust your equipment: We recommend only trail running shoes with a deep tread (grip) for mud.

2. Increase caution: Slow down in these parts to avoid sprains or falls.

3. Respect working machinery: If you encounter ongoing works, be extremely careful when passing.

WEATHER FORECAST

We are monitoring the weather forecast for Saturday (03/14/2026) and current models indicate a possibility of precipitation in the afternoon.

Since the race takes place in the mountains (Žumberak Nature Park), please keep the following in mind:

- Temperature drop: As soon as precipitation occurs, the temperature in the mountains drops sharply. Be prepared for colder conditions than in the lowlands.
- We recommend: wearing a windbreaker/raincoat, astro-foil and a spare layer of clothing.
- Terrain: Due to the forecasted precipitation, the course may become slippery and muddy. Adjust your footwear and pace to the conditions on the course.

ECOLOGY

We are particularly sensitive to ecology and nature protection.

The race is located in the Žumberak Samoborsko gorje Nature Park, so we ask you not to litter and to protect nature.

ADDITIONAL INFO – FESTIVAL CONTENTS

Within the Sošice Visitor Center, there is the possibility of purchasing excellent and original souvenirs from the Žumberak Samoborsko gorje Nature Park and visiting an exhibition of commemorative photographs.

ŽUMBERAK FLAVOURS AND TRADITIONS FAIR

A fair of family farms and indigenous products that brings together the best that the Žumberak Mountains have to offer.

What can you expect at the fair?

- Homemade food and delicacies: Taste indigenous specialties prepared according to the old recipes of our grandmothers.
- Noble drops: Warm up with top-quality homemade brandies and liqueurs, and natural juices made from forest fruits and apples from the pure Žumberak hills.
- Healing treasures of nature: Find the purest Žumberak honey, bee products and medicinal preparations from wild herbs.
- Original souvenirs: Take a piece of tradition home — from handmade items to authentic products from local craftsmen.

PWe invite all visitors, fans, and runners after the race to walk through the fair, support local producers and enjoy the unique atmosphere of the Krabat Trail Festival.

SPECIAL ATTRACTION: JEZERNICE VILLAGE – THE HEART OF THE KRABAT TRAIL

On the 18 km and 37 km routes, one of the most beautiful sections of the race awaits you – the village of Jezernice, where the last checkpoint and refreshment station are located.

This picturesque village is not just a stopover, but a place of deep history and tradition:

- Historical heritage: A linden tree over 300 years old proudly stands in the village, a silent witness to time, and Jezernice is also the birthplace of the legendary Janko Šajatović KRABAT, after whom our festival is named.

- The estate of Monika Šajatović Bračik: We are especially honored that our refreshment station is located on the estate of Monika Šajatović Bračik, a direct descendant of Krabat. Monika is a true guardian of the Žumberak heritage who lovingly renovated her father's birthplace and created a real little paradise.

- Animal encounters: Her farm is home to numerous animals that will welcome you on the course – from horses and donkeys to goats, chickens, rabbits, dogs and cats. It is the perfect opportunity for a short break and to recharge your batteries in an authentic environment.

- Homemade delicacies and souvenirs: Monika will prepare authentic dishes for all competitors, which you will be able to taste on site. You will also be able to buy her homemade products and original souvenirs from the Žumberak Mountains, made according to traditional recipes.

After the race: We invite all competitors and their companions to visit Jezernice by car after the race.

Monika is waiting for you with a tasting of original products at symbolic prices – an ideal way to end the racing day with the tastes and smells of old Žumberak.

After the race, on the way home, you can visit:

- in the village of Budinjak (Žumberak), there is a Natrural picnic area with an excellent offer of food and drinks.

- in the town of Žamarije (Žumberak), there is a restaurant called Žumberački raj, with an excellent offer of grilled dishes, grilled trout and drinks

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Best regards and we are happy that you have decided to be part of our race, take care and see you on