

# THEMATIC TRAIL

## TO TUFA SPRING

### Starting / Ending point:

TIC Jezersko, Zgornje Jezersko 57 (N 46.400890 E 14.522734)

### Trail length:

3.82 km, +125 m / - 150 m

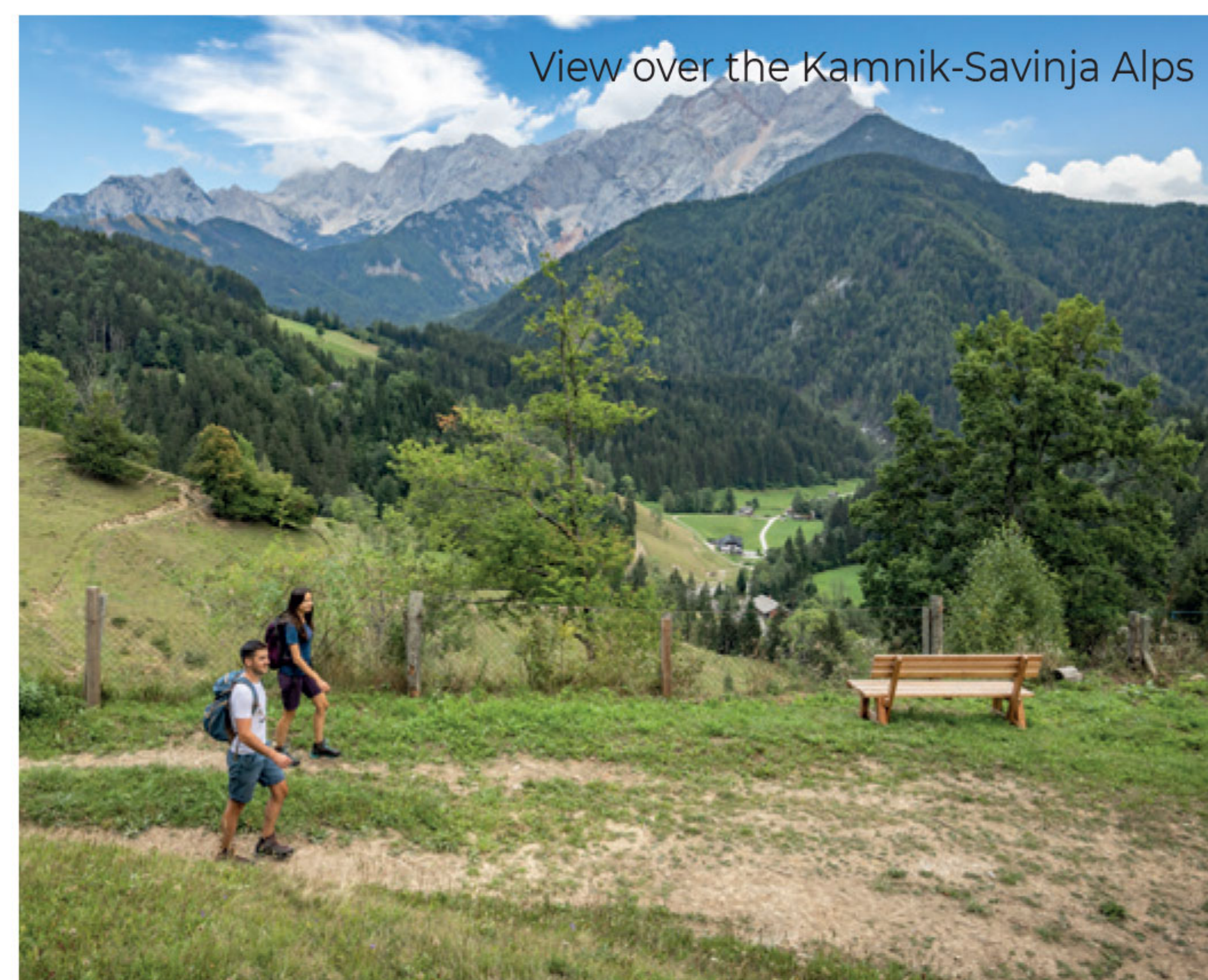
### Hike duration (one way): 1,20 h

### Level of difficulty:

Easy and well-marked hiking trail

### Trail description:

Tufa spring is located in the Komatevra Valley in Spodnje Jezersko, next to the eco-farm Spodnji Virnik. From the centre of Zgornje Jezersko, you can take an easy hiking trail that mainly leads through forests. At the top of the spring is a wooden platform from which people can marvel at this natural beauty. We recommend you start the hike from the Tourist Information Centre and proceed to the Old Church of St. Oswald, where you enjoy a splendid view over the Kamnik-Savinja Alps. Your next stop is the eco-farm Spodnji Virnik, where you can also buy various dairy products.



View over the Kamnik-Savinja Alps

### Interesting facts:

Tufa spring and the area of the former tufa stone quarry present the first point of the Slovenian geological trail, which runs from Jezersko to Idrija. Tufa spring in Spodnje Jezersko is a unique natural attraction. There we get the opportunity to see how tufa stone is formed in nature. Because of the specific sediments, the water contains a lot of calcium carbonate that is eliminated in the form of tufa stone right at the spring. We can admire a more than 10 metres long green waterfall, divided into several streams.



Tufa spring

## ABOUT JEZERSKO

The area of Jezersko covers an area of 68.8 km<sup>2</sup> and represents the mountain world at the junction of the Karavanks and the Kamnik-Savinja Alps. That is why the municipality has a real alpine character and in 2018 became the first Slovenian municipality to join the international initiative of Mountaineering villages.



Jezersko



Lady's Slipper  
(Cypripedium calceolus)

But about 30,000 years ago, the image of Jezersko was much different than it is today. Due to the colder climate, the forest did not thrive here, the slopes were bare, and a glacier slowly crept down the valley from the mountains. About 12,000 years ago, it became warmer again, and the glacier disappeared in a few centuries. The transformation of the surface was taken over by slope processes and flowing water, creating the present-day image of the valley of Jezersko. The glacier from the valley of Makekova Kočna closed the Jezernica stream's outflow towards the Kokra River valley for a while, so a lake formed at the bottom of the lake basin, which remained long after the glacier retreat. The valley of Jezersko was named after the lake that used to fill the entire central part of the basin.



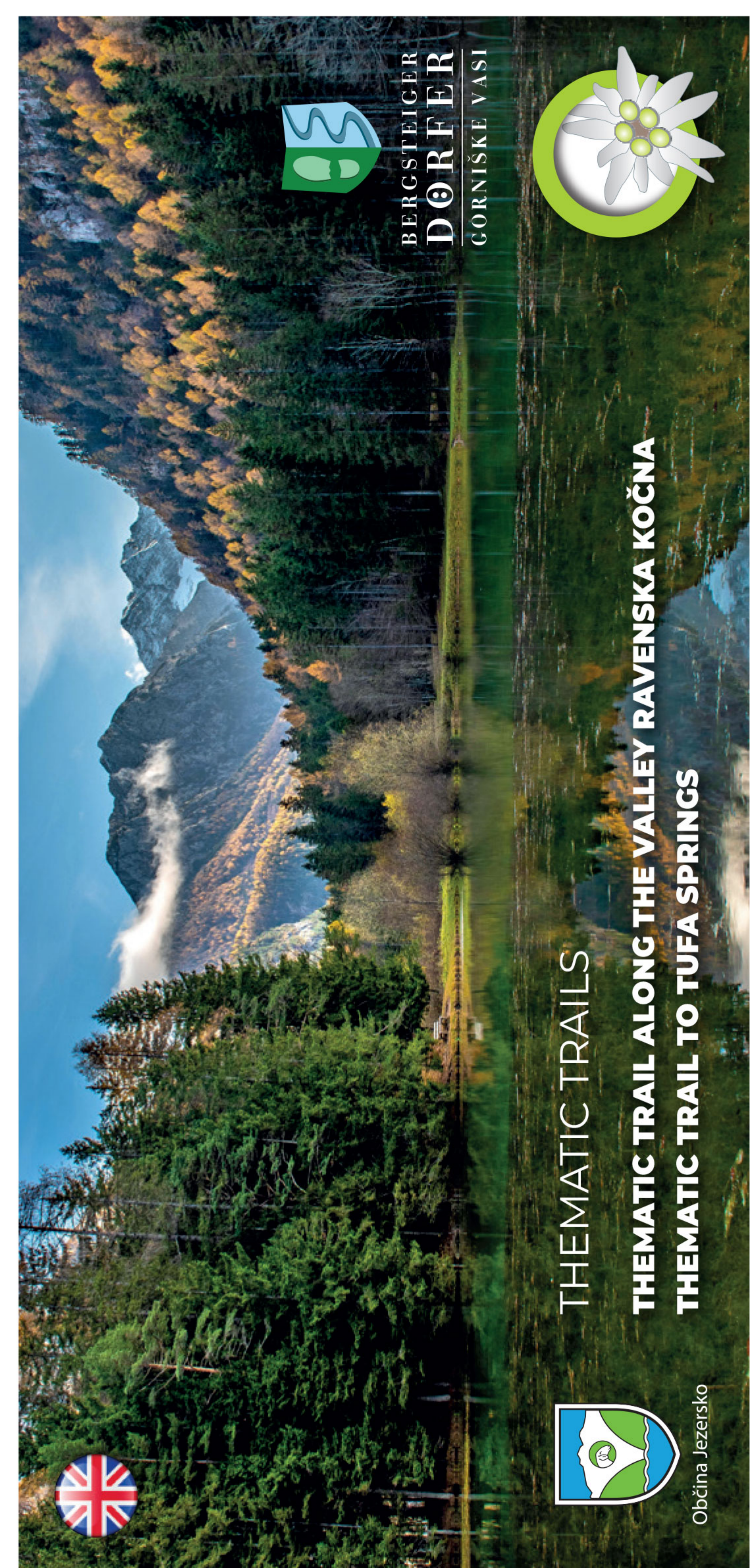
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