

INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE

IN ESTONIA AND LATVIA



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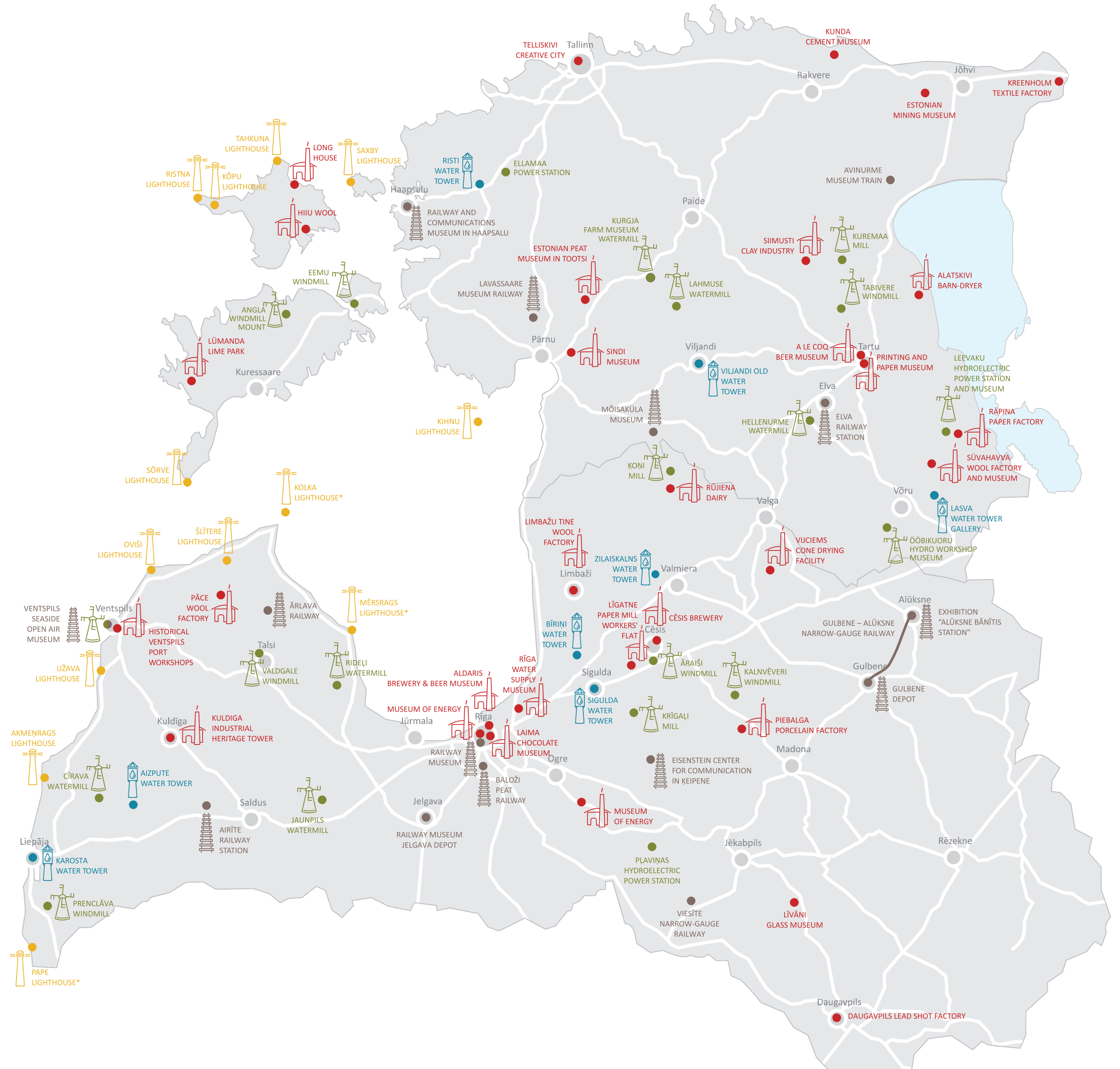
FACTORIES



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Industrial heritage is a part of our cultural heritage. It demonstrates the development of industrial technology, the changing production methods and working conditions, and helps us to understand the history and development of society more broadly.

The oldest preserved industrial heritage in Estonia and Latvia goes back to the 18th century, when the two countries were under the power of the Russian Empire, and major businesses and land holdings were in the hands of the privileged Baltic Germany aristocracy. In the countryside, the right to engage in commerce belonged to the manor lords; in the cities – to the guilds and shops.

After the end of serfdom in 1816 in Estonia and 1819 in Livonia, and the introduction of land purchase in the second half of the 19th century, people were free to move. Cities and **industry** grew rapidly.



FACTORIES

A. Le Coq Beer Museum
Laulupeo 15, Tartu
58°23'7"N 26°42'27"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/a-le-coq-beer-museum

Historical Ventspils Port Workshops (will be open in 2019)
K. Valdemāra 12, Ventspils
57°23'37"N 21°32'31"E

Alatskivi Barn-Dryer
Alatskivi, Tartu County
58°36'7"N 27°8'8"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/alatskivi-cultural-heritage-landscape-and-nature-centre

Aldaris Brewery & Beer Museum
Tvaika 44, Riga
57°00'18.4"N 24°07'17.4"E
alusdarbnica.lv/en/about-us/

Cēsis Brewery
Lenču 9/11, Cēsis
57°18'53.0"N 25°16'15.0"E
www.videsinstituts.lv/en/cesis-brewery/cesis-brewery

Daugavpils Lead Shot Factory
Varšavas 28, Daugavpils
55°52'29" N 26°31'57"E
www.dsr.lv/en/

Estonian Mining Museum
Jaama 100, Kohtla-Nõmme, Toila Parish, Ida-Viru County
59°21'0"N 27°10'26"E
kaevandusmuuseum.ee/eng

Estonian Peat Museum in Tootsi
Tootsi, Pärnu County
58°35'17.5"N 24°47'06.1"E
eestiturbamuuseum.ee

Hiiu Wool
Vaemla, Hiiumaa
58°49'53"N 22°49'38"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/hiiu-vill

Thanks to a favourable location, gigantic industrial facilities sprung up in Estonia and Latvia – the biggest in Europe at the time – aimed at the Russian market. First it was textile and paper mills, breweries and vodka distilleries. In the last decades of the century, factories dependent on manual labour were joined by more productive steam-powered facilities, with machine-building, metalworking and other industries being established.

Industrial development in Estonia and Latvia got a further boost in the 1860s and 1870s with the arrival of the **railway**, which connected the local sea ports with Russia. Widespread construction of railway lines began. In addition to mainlines, narrow-gauge tracks were laid down - they were cheaper to build and maintain, and solved the cargo and passenger transport needs of smaller regions.

Steam-powered factories and railways led the construction of **water towers**, which provided steam engines and locomotives with water. Starting in the late 19th century, water towers were also erected in

cities and manors, to provide drinking and fire-fighting water.

Marine traffic on the Baltic Sea was very much a part of Russia's interests, so as the 19th century turned into the 20th, Estonia and Latvia's coastlines received many new **light-houses**. Stone lighthouses were joined by fancy new assembled-on-location metal structures of English and French origin, which used state-of-the-art kerosene-fuelled optics.

In the early 20th century, Tallinn rose to the rank of Russia's fourth biggest port by cargo turnover, and the city of Riga grew to become the Empire's fifth largest by population.

Land ownership, good education and artisan skills stoked the flames of indigenous Estonian and Latvian entrepreneurship and national awareness – various small businesses sprang up, including **mills**, lime- and tar kilns.

After World War I, Estonia and Latvia got their independence, and the well-educated and entrepreneurial locals became the main

drivers of the economy. The massive Russian market disappeared. Only the textile and cellulose industries managed to adapt, and giant factories were replaced with numerous smaller producers. A strong agricultural foundation led to the development of the food industry, which became a significant source of exports.

Industry was supported by a high level of education, and also received help from the state. New innovative products came up. For example, Riga's VEF factory made radios and tiny Minox photo cameras that were exported to Europe and America. The vest-pocket-sized Minox was invented by Estonian-born Walter Zapp, and these James Bond cameras are still made to this day in Germany, in digital guise.

Estonia and Latvia also has remarkable industrial heritage from the Soviet days.

Industrial heritage tourism is a growing trend, and an excellent opportunity to preserve and present old production facilities, equipment, and the skills of using them.



WATER TOWERS

Aizpute Water Tower
Atmodas 32C, Aizpute
56°43'01.9"N 21°36'18.4"E
visitaizpute.lv/en

Birīni Water Tower
Birīni Castle, Birīni, Vidrižu Parish County
57°14'58.5"N 24°40'12.5"E
www.birinupils.lv/en/

Karosta Water Tower
Ģenerāļa Baloža 29, Liepāja
56°33'10.7"N 21°01'26.5"E
karostascietums.lv/en

Lasva Water Tower Gallery
Lasva, Võru County
57°51'49"N 27°10'46"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/lasva-water-tower-gallery

Risti Water Tower
Risti, Lääne County
58°59'53,1"N 24°02'59,3"E

Sigulda Water Tower
Auseklā 6, Sigulda
57°09'11.6"N 24°51'15.1"E
www.tourism.sigulda.lv/culture-and-art-room-sigulda-tower/

Zilaiskalns Water Tower
Parka 2, Zilaiskalns, Kocēni County
57°33'25.0"N 25°12'53.0"E
visit.kocenil.lv

Viljandi Old Water Tower
Johan Laidoneri 3, Viljandi
58°21'46"N 25°36'3"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/viljandi-vana-veetorn-viljandi-old-water-tower



LIGHTHOUSES

Akmenrags Lighthouse
Saka Parish
56°49'54"N 21°03'25"E
www.portofventspils.lv/en/sustainability/lighthouses

Kihnu Lighthouse
Kihnu, Pärnu County
58°5'51"N 23°58'20"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/kihnu-lighthouse

Kolka Lighthouse * (access by boat and on order)
Kolka Parish
57°48'08"N 22°38'02"E
www.kolkasrags.lv

Kõpu Lighthouse
Kõpu, Hiiumaa County
58°54'58"N 22°11'55"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/kopu-lighthouse

Mērsrags Lighthouse * (from outside)
Bākas 60, Mērsrags
57°21'57"N 23°07'11"E
www.mersragabaka.lv

Oviši Lighthouse
Oviši, Tārgale Parish, Ventspils County
57°34'07.0"N 21°42'57.0"E
www.portofventspils.lv/en/sustainability/lighthouses

Pape Lighthouse * (from outside)
Pape, Rucava County
56°09'18"N 21°01'29"E

Ristna Lighthouse
Ristna, Hiiumaa
58°56'24"N 22°3'19"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/ristna-lighthouse

Saxby Lighthouse
Vormsi, Lääne County
59°1'29"N 23°7'3"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/saxby-lighthouse

Sõrve Lighthouse
Sõrve, Saaremaa
57°54'35"N 22°3'19"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/serve-lighthouse

Tahkuna Lighthouse
Tahkuna, Hiiumaa
59°5'29"N 22°35'10"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/tahkuna-lighthouse

Šlītere Lighthouse
Šlītere, Dundaga, Dundaga County
57°37'42.0"N 22°17'21.0"E
slitere.lv/sakums/apmekletajiem/sliteres-baka/

Užava Lighthouse
Užava, Užava Parish
57°12'33.3"N 21°24'53.3"E
www.portofventspils.lv/en/sustainability/lighthouses



RAILWAY HERITAGE

Airīte Railway Station
Airīte, Zirņi Parish, Salduse County
56°42'21.4"N 22°10'22.7"E
www.facebook.com/airitestation

Ārlava Railway
Ārlava Parish, Talsi County
57°23'51.0"N 22°34'36.0"E
meistasigurds.lv

Avinurme Museum Train
58°59'13"N 26°50'42"E
Avinurme, Jõgeva County
www.visitestonia.com/en/avinurme-museum-train

Baloži Peat Railway
Rīgas 51, Baloži, Ķekava County
56°52'37.2"N 24°06'22.3"E
www.kudrasbanitis.lv/index.php/en/

Eisenstein Center for Communication in Ķeipene
Ķeipene, Ogre County
56°53'45.5"N 25°11'14.1"E
www.latvia.travel/en/node/222649

Elva Railway Station
Pargi 2, Elva, Tartu County
58° 13' 31" N, 26° 25' 17" E
www.elvaturism.ee/turistile-infoks/elva-vaksali-kompleks-1900-1903-a

Gulbene – Alūksne Narrow-Gauge Railway and Gulbene Depot
Viestura 16G, Gulbene
57°10'59.0"N 26°45'51.0"E
www.banitis.lv

Exhibition “Alūksne Bānītis Station”
At the luggage shed of Alūksne station
Jānkalna 52, Alūksne
57°24'45"N 27°02'42"E
visitaluksne.lv

Lavassaare Museum Railway
Lavassaare, Pärnu County
58°31'14"N 24°21'2"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/estonian-museum-railway-at-lavassaare

Mõisaküla Museum
J. Sihveri 4, Mõisaküla, Viljandi County
58°5'33"N 25°11'11"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/moisakula-museum

Railway Museum
Uzvaras bulvāris 2/4, Rīga
56°56'27.5"N 24°05'40.1"E
railwaymuseum.lv/en

Railway Museum, Jelgava Depot
Stacijas 3, Jelgava
56°38'27"N 23°43'49"E
www.railwaymuseum.lv/en/content/exposition-jelgava

Railway and Communications Museum
Haapsalu, Lääne County
58°56'17"N 23°31'56"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/railway-and-communications-museum

Ventspils Seaside Open Air Museum Railway
Riņķa 2, Ventspils
57°23'07.2"N 21°32'16.4"E
muzejs.ventspils.lv/en/seaside-open-air-museum/narrow-gauge-railway/rail-facilities

Viesīte Narrow-Gauge Railway
A. Brodeles 7, Viesīte
56°20'31"N 25°33'18"E
www.viesite.edu.lv/banitis



MILLS

Angla Windmill Mount
Angla, Saaremaa
58°31'49"N 22°41'52"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/angla-windmill-mount

Āraiši Windmill
Āraiši, Drabeši Parish, Amata County
57°14'53.0"N 25°16'14.0"E
amata.lv/3636-2

Ķirava Watermill
"Dzirnavas", Ķirava, Ķirava Parish
56°44'11.4"N 21°23'04.0"E
www.facebook.com/citaabra

Eemu Windmill
Muhu, Saaremaa
58°34'56"N 23°9'57"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/eemu-windmill

Ellamaa Power Station
Tööstuse, Turba, Saue Parish, Harju County
59°44'1"N 24°14'31"E
momu.ee

Hellenuurme Watermill
Hellenuurme, Palupera Parish, Valga County
58°8'13"N 26°23'11"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/hellenuurme-watermill-museum

Jaunpils Watermill
"Jaunpils Dzirnavas", Jaunpils
56°43'49.3"N 23°01'18.3"E
visittukums.lv/lv/ko-skatit/ekas-ielas-un-citas-buves/jaunpils-udensdzirnavas

Kalnvēveri Windmill
Vecpiebalga County
57°06'59.0"N 25°50'49.0"E
brivdabasmuzejs.lv/en/museum/museum-veveri/

Ķoņi Mill
Ķoņi Parish, Naukšēni County
57°56'36.0"N 25°22'22.0"E
www.konudzirnavas.lv

Krīgaļi Mill
Nītaure Parish, Amata County
57°03'41.0"N 25°08'45.0"E
amata.lv/krigalu-mill/

www.facebook.com/industrialheritageforturism



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Kreenholm Textile Factory
Joala 21, Narva
59°21'28"N 28°11'53"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/kreenholm-area-and-kreenholm-textile-factory#

Kuldīga Industrial Heritage Tower (Needle Factory)
Kalpaka 2, Kuldīga
56°58'07.0"N 21°57'46.0"E
visit.kuldiga.lv/en/

Kunda Cement Museum
Jaama 11, Kunda
59°28'59"N 26°31'59"E
www.facebook.com/tsemendimuuseum

Laima Chocolate Museum
Brīvības 5-6, Līgatne
56°57'47.2"N 24°07'54.2"E
www.laimasokoladesmuzejs.lv/en/about-museum/exposition/

Līgatne Paper Mill Workers' Flat
Brīvības 5-6, Līgatne
57°14'02.0"N 25°02'25.0"E
www.visitligatne.lv/ligatnes-papirfabrikas-ciemata-vesturiskais-centrs?lang=est

Limbažu tīne Wool Factory
Pļavu 4, Limbaži
57°30'42.5"N 24°42'21.9"E
www.limbazutine.lv

Līvāni Glass Museum
Domes 1, Līvāni
56°21'19"N 26°09'47"E
www.livanustikls.lv/

Long House in Hiiumaa
Kärdla, Hiiumaa
59°0'15"N 22°44'47"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/long-house-of-the-hiiumaa-museum

Lūmanda Lime Park
Lūmanda, Saaremaa
58°17'36"N 22°1'17"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/lumanda-lime-park

Pāce Wool Factory
Pāce, Dundaga County
57°29'48.3"N 22°16'32.4"E
www.facebook.com/dundagaswool

Piebalga Porcelain Factory
“Pils”, Ineši Parish, Vecpiebalga County
57°01'13.0"N 25°49'58.0"E
www.porcelanadarbnica.lv/par_en.html

Printing and Paper Museum
Kastani 48, Tartu
58°22'15"N 26°42'58"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/printing-and-paper-museum

Rīga Water Supply Museum
“Baltezers” pump station, Ādaži County
57°02'11.6"N 24°19'37.5"E
www.rigasudens.lv/about-company/history/museum/en/

Rūjiena Dairy
Upes 5, Rūjiena
57°53'45.0"N 25°19'37.0"E
www.rujiensassaldejums.lv

Rāpina Paper Factory
Pargi 23, Rāpina, Põlva County
58°5'48"N 27°27'18"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/rapina-paper-factory

Siimusti Clay Industry
Siimusti, Jõgeva Parish, Jõgeva County
58°43'35"N 26°20'30"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/siimusti-clay-industry

Sindi Museum
Sindi, Pärnu County
58°24'26"N 24°39'14"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/sindi-museum

Sūvahavva Wool Factory and Museum
Viia veski, Sūvahavva, Rāpina Parish, Põlva County
57°59'19"N 27°13'4"E
www.visitestonia.com/en/suvahavva-wool-factory-and-museum

Telliskivi Creative City
Telliskivi 60a, Tallinn
59°26'23"N 24°43'44"E
telliskivi.cc/en

Vijciems Cone Drying Facility
Vijciems Parish, Valka County
57°35'32.0"N 26°02'23.0"E
www.mammadaba.lv/en/objects/top-12/vijciems-cone-drying-facility
