# WITH FISHING ROD ON THE LAKES OF VAS COUNTRY



A COMPASS FOR THE FISHING WATERS OF THE COUNTY 2022



#### **GREETINGS**

"Remember where the west meets the southwest, where the heights of the Alps meet the valleys of rivers and streams, the harshness ends in delicacy: there is the county of Vas."

#### **Dear Fellow Angler!**

Welcome to Vas County, the western gateway to Hungary. Vas County – although it is one of the smallest counties in Hungary – is home to unrivalled natural and cultural beauty. The gentle slopes of the Őrség region, the slumbering volcanoes of the Ság Hill and Kis-Somlyó, the mysterious valleys of Írottkő, the wild and mysterious stretches of the Rába river, the pure air of our mysterious forests are all places tempting us to visit. The arboretums and castle gardens, the hiking trails, the recreational opportunities offered by rural tourism, the spas and thermal baths are a major tourist attraction.

Fishing is one of the most popular leisure activities in Vas County, with more than 11,500 anglers in the 29 clubs of the Federation of Sport Fishing Associations of Vas County, fishing in the waters of Vas County every year.

The Federation is currently active as a public benefit - outside the government budget - civil organisation with a fishing concession on 1397 hectares of water in 43 fishing water bodies in Vas County and 6 in Zala County. In addition to providing the conditions of angling, the main focus of the organisation's activities is on the protection of fish and their habitats, youth education, competitive fishing and the development of angling tourism. In line with the Vas County Regional Development Strategy, the Abért Lakes, the Hársas Lake in Máriaújfalu, the Vasvár Boating Lake and the Celldömölk Lake were renovated last year within the framework of the TOP-1.2.1-15-VS1-2019-00009 tender project.

In addition to the fishing waters listed above, the project also included the construction of walkways, waterfront slopes, benches, rest areas, fishing areas for the disabled, camp toilets, event spaces, open-air fireplaces, information boards and other welfare improvements. Thousands of square metres of natural fishing areas and shorelines have been restored through the restoration of the lakeshores.

The purpose of this brochure is to draw your attention to these fishing tourism destinations.

The Federation of Sport Fishing Associations of Vas County will continue to strive to protect, develop and expand the natural values of the water areas under its management, and to continuously increase its visibility in Hungary and abroad. Together with our volunteers and colleagues at the Federation, we are working to make the fishing waters of Vas County popular and accessible to wide groups of the society, to make these fishing spots rich in fish, thus providing pleasant and high-quality recreation for all anglers.

We hope that you will visit Vas County soon to experience our fishing opportunities. It's important to know that you can test all the waters in our management for 24 hours by purchasing a Daily Area Ticket of the Federation.

# Visit us and fish in the waters of Vas County!

Vaskeresztes, 01 August 2022

With anglers' greetings:

Norbert Puskás executive chairman

Miklós Seregi chairman



# ABÉRT LAKES (C&R)



Abért Lakes are located in the outskirts of Kőszeg in a beautiful setting, with the Kőszeg Mountains in the background. These are artificial lakes, the beds of which were used as a material extraction site for the embankments of the reservoirs that protected Szombathely and the surrounding villages from flooding. Completed in 2010, the place was named after László Abért, the late chief engineer of the Water Directorate. Lake Abért I is fed by the Gyöngyös stream, which is part of the Rába river system, through a water intake. Lake Abért I supplies water to Lake Abért II via a spillway structure, with excess water flowing back into Gyöngyös Brook via a flushing channel. The water quality of the lakes is excellent, as is that of the feeding stream. In addition to providing an excellent habitat for birds, the islands created in the ponds also serve as a natural breeding ground for fish through their bays covered with vegetation.

In addition to sport fishing, it is an excellent and accessible recreational destination for large numbers of people. Due to the excellent fish stocks in the area, many fishing tournaments are held here, with average catches of between 40-60 kg in 4-5 hour rounds. Typical fish species that can be caught in a Catch and Release (C&R) pond are: carps between 1-5 kg, grass carps between 2-4 kg, common breams and crucian carps between 0.5-1 kg, while pikes between 6–12 kg are not uncommon. Its easy accessibility and well-kept shore make it attractive for those who like fishing, and the bench-table sets and barbecues are a pleasant way for families and groups of friends to spend their time together.





GPS coordinates: 47.36137420, 16.56657980











Area: 98 414 m<sup>2</sup> (9,8414 ha) Length of shoreline: 1 387 m Average depth: 1,33 m Deepest point: 1,89 m

FISHES: CARP, GRASS CARP, BREAM,

**CRUCIAN CARP. PIKE** 

Fishing period: from sunrise to sunset

#### **ABÉRT LAKE 2**

Area: 167 807 m<sup>2</sup> (16,7807 ha) Length of shoreline: 1 791 m Average depth: 1,49 m Deepest point: 2,32 m

FISHES: CARP, GRASS CARP, BREAM, **CRUCIAN CARP, PIKE, ZANDER** Fishing period: from sunrise to sunset



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## CELLDÖMÖLK **FISHING POND**



In Celldömölk, the Vulkán Spa and Aquapark awaits visitors with pools filled from its own wells and a panoramic view of the Ság Mountains, in an exceptionally beautiful and peaceful setting, with the Celldömölk Brickworks Lake in the vicinity. The lake dates back to the early 20th century. The average depth of the lake is 1.8-2 metres, but there are also some parts that are 3-4 metres deep.

There is a shallow layer of silt in the lake bed, which covers the hard bottom. Over the decades, the lake and its surroundings have become a popular fishing spot and recreational park offering the comfort of shaded. Its environment with the partitioned shoreline is diversified by reeds, bushes and groves. It has a water surface of 1.4274 ha.

Typical fish species of Celldömölk Lake: carp, grass carp, bream, crucian carp, pike, perch, compo. The most popular fish, carp, is released in batches of between 2,000 and 2,500 kg, while other fish are released in batches of between 800 and 1,000 kg per year.

The pond has undergone major renovation: log bench-table sets with shingle roof, benches, a playground and a fire pit have been placed.

The parking lot and the promenade around the lake have been renovated and 30 fishing spots have been created. It is an excellent place not only for sports fishers, but also for families and groups of friends who want to spend their free time in nature.





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#### **CELLDÖMÖLK FISHING POUND**

Area: 14 274 m<sup>2</sup> (1,4274 ha) Length of shoreline: 610 m Average depth: 1,88 m Deepest point: 3,72 m FISHES: CARP, GRASS CARP, BREAM, **CRUCIAN CARP, PIKE, PERCH, COMPO** Fishing period: 0-24 h







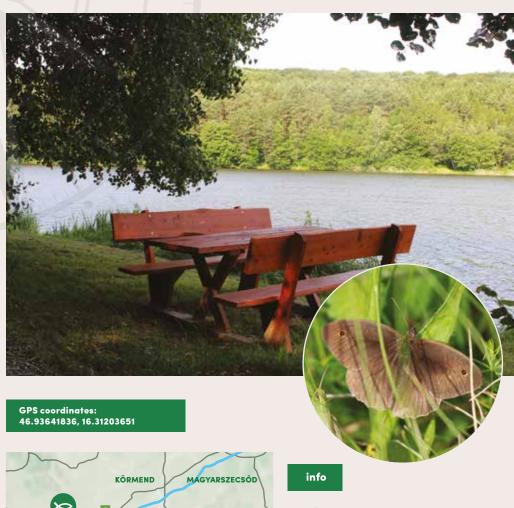


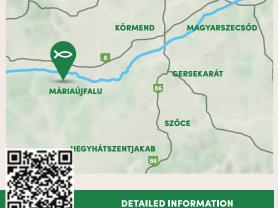
Hársas Lake, situated on the edge of one of the most beautiful parts of Szentgotthárd, is part of the Őrség National Park. The valley-lock dam reservoir, created by the damming of the Hársas stream, is fed by the Hársas stream, which originates in the forest of the neighbouring Apátistvánfalva. The lake is popular not only with sports fishers, but also with bathers and hikers, as there is also a small open-air beach on the lake in summer. Thanks to the numerous recreational opportunities offered by the Őrség region, family fishing tourism is also common on the lake in summer.

Over the past decades, the lake and its surroundings have undergone continuous development: access to the lake and the infrastructure of the beach at the southern end of the lake have been renewed.

The reservoir covers 12.4 hectares and has an average depth of 2.5 metres. Typical fish species: carp, grass carp, bream, catfish, crucian carp, pike, perch. Between 4,000 and 4,500 kg of the most popular fish, carp, are released into the lake in several phases each year. Thanks to its characteristics, the area around the river is classified as an excellent watering place. Fishing is prohibited in this area in a length of 100 metres all year round for nature conservation and fish protection reasons! At the dam you can find water depths of five to six metres.

For the comfort of visitors to the picturesque lake, there are bench-table sets with shingle roofs, a playground, fishing points for the disabled and a fire pit.





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#### **HÁRSAS LAKE** MÁRIAÚIFALU

Area: 125 855 m<sup>2</sup> (12,5855 ha) Length of shoreline: 2 029 m Average depth: 2,45 m Deepest point: 5,31 m

FISHES: CARP, GRASS CARP, BREAM, CATFISH, CRUCIAN CARP, PIKE, PERCH

Fishing period: 0-24 h





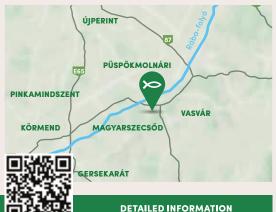


### **BOATING LAKE VASVÁR**



The Boating Lake is located in Vasvár, one of the most popular hiking spots in the Vasi Hills. The green heart of the city is the Boating Lake, a favourite spot for sportsmen, anglers and enthusiasts of relaxation. Near the lake you can find the Chapel of the Holy Well, a popular pilgrimage site famous for centuries, placed in a beautiful natural setting. In front of the chapel, in the park forest, there is also a section of St. Mary's Road. The path leading to the chapel is lined with stages of the bearing of the Cross carved in wood. The "bottomless lake" of Vasvár is also worthy of the list of the most interesting places in our country, since the legend tells the story of the iron castle that gave its name to Vasvár, in which two young men and a snake king play an important role. Legend has it that the key to the iron castle, sunk in the bottomless lake, is brought to the surface on New Year's Eve by the Snake King. Whoever takes the key from him will free the castle from the curse. A monumental statue of the Snake King and a key stands on the peninsula of Lake Vasvár, commemorating this legend. Its shore is steep, deepening suddenly. The 'U' shaped water surface, divided by the peninsula, has a depth of one and a half metres in the middle and only 1.2 metres at the ends. The shores of the artificial lake with its partitioned shoreline are diversified by reeds, bushes and groves. The most typical fish species of the lake are: grass pike, pike, perch, common bream, carp, crucian carp. Following a major renovation, bench-table sets and fire pits await visitors to take a stroll, enjoy the beauty of the place, spend time with family or friends, or try to lure fish onto their hook from the lake.





#### **BOATING LAKE VASVÁR**

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Area: 17 487 m<sup>2</sup> (1,7487 ha) Length of shoreline: 692 m

Average depth: 1,12 m Deepest point: 2,2 m

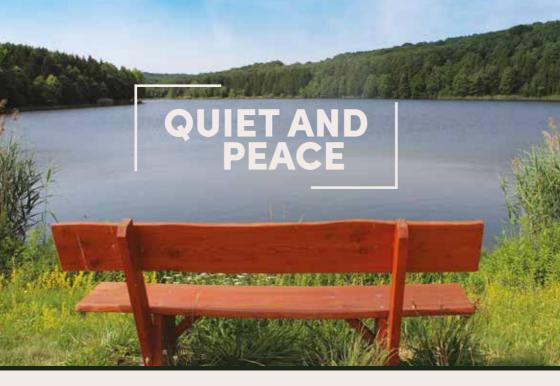
FISHES: GRASS CARP. PIKE. PERCH. **COMMON BREAM, CARP, CRUCIAN CARP** 

Fishing period: 0-24 h









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