

Epic rides Paklenica / Zrmanja

This trail is undoubtedly the highlight of the entire region and a must-ride route for anyone seeking adventure and exploration. The journey begins in Starigrad-Paklenica, leading you through the slopes of Croatia's highest mountain, Velebit. It takes you in close proximity to the Paklenica National Park and spans almost its entire length within the Velebit Nature Park. Along the way, revel in breathtaking views of islands and the Zrmanja Canyon, pass through picturesque villages where the traditional way of life still echoes the past of this region. Halfway through the trail, experience the pinnacle at the most attractive viewpoint overlooking the Zrmanja River Canyon - precisely where iconic scenes from the Winnetou film were shooted.

Epic Rides will guide you through Maslenica and Masleničko ždrilo, the beach in Rovanjska, and along the old Adriatic macadam road that has long been retired from regular traffic.

This fascinating route, tailored for gravel and E-MTB bicycles, offers a full-day adventure for those who love exploring on two wheels. Immerse yourself in the charm of the surroundings and embark on a cycling journey through history and natural beauty.

Start/Finish Via Length	Starigrad Maslenica 49.6 km	Physical Diffic Technical Diffi Elevation	_
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Zrmanja Off road: 43 %

The Zrmanja River Canyon stands out as one of the most thrilling destinations for adventure seekers, and when it calms down, this river transforms into a breathtaking beauty. Within its canyon, the river has crafted numerous travertine waterfalls, with one of the most famous being Berberov Buk, the starting point of this captivating circular trail. Tailored for MTB enthusiasts with a moderate fitness level, ready to navigate technically gentle terrain, this route offers a ride with numerous viewpoints overlooking the Zrmanja and Krupa River canyons. The Krupa Monastery, serving as a sacred site along the way, adds an extra layer of tourist allure to the journey.

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Long Beach route

Often, our guests ask us where they can bike to the beach, so with that in mind, we've created this route. Although the Paklenica Riviera area is full of beaches, the Vinjerac region offers very attractive beaches with a spectacular

The route starts from Maslenica and, crossing the Maslenica Bridge, enters the area of Posedarje and Vinjerac. Soon, we turn off the main road and take side roads towards Vinjerac. At several points on this part of the route, the roads separate and lead directly to the beaches. Continuing the route, we reach Vinjerac, a small fishing village characterized by an authentic atmosphere with traditional Dalmatian stone houses, narrow streets, and a peaceful environment.

After Vinjerac, you'll face a somewhat challenging ascent from sea level to 225 meters above sea level, which is the highest point of this route. On the way back, you'll pass through Posedarje, another charming place, after which the route leads you back to Maslenica.

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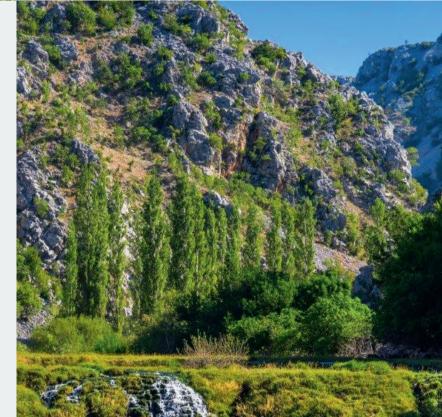
Starigrad - Zrmanja - Krupa

100 km of beauty. Starting from Starigrad, the route hugs the coastal road before delving into an interior that might momentarily transport you to the arid beauty of Arizona. The winding descent into Obrovac, nestled in the stunning Zrmanja River canyon, captivates every visitor. Cycle trough town of rich history and breathtaking scenery. Split by the river, crowned with a medieval fortress, and surrounded by dramatic cliffs.

Navigate through several hairpin turns, leading you to the opposite side of the river where a testament to the socialist revolution awaits – a road seemingly leading nowhere, as expansive as a runway. Just as you settle into the rhythm of the 25-meter-wide highway, we'll guide you to another river in this karstic terrain - the Krupa River. Here, nestled on the riverbank, stands an Orthodox monastery, an exquisite structure dating back to 1317.

As you ascend and return on the other side of the Krupa River, discover several viewpoints showcasing the rugged beauty of this landscape.

Via	Obrovac	Technical Diffi	culty 1/3
Length	100 km 📂	Elevation	1340 m
400 m			
200 m			
	50 km 40 ki	n 60 km	80 km 100 km





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Paklenica - Libinje

One of those trails that you'll remember. A route that will take you through the magnificent landscapes of Velebit, offering stunning views of the islands and placing you among those who have ascended to Tulove Grede via the Majstorska Road.

The route starts from Starigrad, and in the opposite direction, it follows the Epic Rides route all the way to the viewpoint overlooking the Zrmanja Canyon at 22 km. Here, the ascent begins on the Majstorska Road, continuing on a gravel road to the highest point at 1,021 meters above sea level, which is at 44 km. Although you've likely been fascinated by everything you've seen so far, you'll be even more captivated by what lies ahead-Velebit in its full strength and beauty, meadows, views, and a wonderful gravel road that is exclusively yours.

After your odometer reaches 49 km, a descent awaits you back to Starigrad through the hinterland and hamlets, all the way to the sea and the starting point from where you began.

The trail is mostly rideable with gravel bikes, but be mindful that there are no settlements or stores along the entire route, so stock up on an ample supply of water and food. Additionally, be aware that mountain biking at an altitude of 1000 meters can often be unpredictable weather-wise, so be sure to bring spare clothing and inform someone about your route.

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Via	Tulove Grede	Technical Difficulty	2/3
Length	71.6 km	Elevation	1530 m
1000 m			
500 m			

Maslenica - Libinje Off road: 72 %

A memorable route. Although the highlights of this route, Velebit, Tulove Grede, Majstorska Cesta, and the viewpoint overlooking the Zrmanja Canyon, are the same as on the Paklenica - Libnje route, this route is about 10 kilometers shorter and goes in the opposite direction from the Paklenica - Libnje route. And for those who frequently ride bicycles, they know that a change in the route direction often means an entirely different, new experience.

The route starts in Maslenica and, after 5 km, joins the Epic Rides route but in the opposite direction. At 13 km, the ascent to Libnje and the Velebit mountain begins, revealing its full splendor at 24 km after reaching almost 1000 meters above sea level.

After approximately 5 km, we reach Tulove Grede, followed by a gravel adventure along the Majstorska Cesta all the way to the Zrmanja Canyon and back to the starting point in Maslenica.

The route is suitable for gravel bikes, but be prepared for occasional rocky sections that you might need to walk. The entire route traverses an area without settlements, so stock up with an ample supply of food and water. Keep in mind that mountain weather is highly unpredictable, so be sure to check the forecast and inform someone about the route you're taking.

Start/Finish	Maslenica	Physical Difficulty	3/3
Via	Tulove Grede	Technical Difficulty	2/3
Length	59.1 km	Elevation	1370 m
1000 m			
500 m			

Jankovića Buk one way

The Zrmanja River, a karstic beauty, forms the heart of this trail leading you to a magnificent waterfall also known as "Buk."

The journey kicks off from Maslenica, following the Epic Rides trail until your first encounter with the Zrmanja River. Picture-perfect moments unfold at the viewpoint, offering a breathtaking panorama of the canyon and the river just before it meets the Adriatic Sea.

Continuing the route leads to Obrovac, a charming town with a distinctive atmosphere, nestled right on the river. The journey then follows a road along the river for several kilometers, ultimately reaching Janković Buk, marking the end of this trail.

> Physical Difficulty Technical Difficulty

Note: During certain times of the year, due to high rainfall, a portion of the route along the Zrmanja River may be impassable for cycling.

Length	39 km	\mapsto	Elevation	500 m
200 m				
100 m				



Veliko Rujno one way

Embark on a journey towards the Veliko Rujno plateau designed for MTB and trekking enthusiasts who relish challenging yet non-technical ascents. Starting from the heart of Starigrad, you'll undertake a lengthy climb into the core of Velebit, a habitat for hundreds of plant and animal species, karst phenomena, and spelunking wonders. At the summit, reaching almost 900 meters above sea level, awaits Veliko Rujno - the expansive Velebit plateau stretching seven kilometers in length and one kilometer in width. After a well-deserved break, descend towards Starigrad, reveling in breathtaking panoramic views of the Zadar archipelago. Given the absence of shade and hospitality facilities along the entire route, ensure you have an ample supply of water for this exhilarating adventure.

800 m					
600 m					
400 m					
200 m					
	5 km	10 km	15 km	20 km	25 km

2/3

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Between two Seas

1/3

970 m

Introducing "Two Seas," a route designed to acquaint you with two bays connected by two straits, historically named seas: Novigrad Sea and Karin Sea. Named after the towns adorning their shores, the route winds through lowtraffic but exceptionally picturesque roads. Novigrad is a uniquely charming place, nestled in a hidden bay on the already secluded Novigrad Sea. At first glance, it offers a multitude of reasons why such a beautiful old town found its home here.

Continuing the journey through the town of Karin, all the way to Obrovac, unveils another monument to times gone by and the stunning Zrmanja River.

This delightful and not overly challenging route invites you to spend a full day exploring these truly special regions by bike. Is there anything more beautiful?

Start/Finish	Maslenica	Length	64.5 km	\mapsto
Via	Novigrad, Karin,	Physical Difficulty	2/3	
	Obrovac	Technical Difficulty	1/3	
		Elevation	800 m	^





Paklenica Family

Although the name 'family' should be understood conditionally because the area of the Paklenica Riviera is rich in ascents, often with a somewhat rough terrain, this not overly long and not too physically and technically demanding trail offers spectacular views and an experience of Velebit that even less agile and trained individuals can venture on.

The route is actually a shortened version of the Epic Rides trail that starts on the beach between Seline and Starigrad, passing through the outskirts of Velika and Mala Paklenica canyons In both directions, you can experience authentic and picturesque villages on the slopes of Velebit. Occasionally, the be walked. Technically, the trail is not demanding except for a few sections of a few dozen meters, which can also be walked while dismounting the bike. Although short, it will leave you breathless and prompt you to think about the next adventure on one of the longer trails of the Paklenica Riviera.

Physical Difficulty

Technical Difficulty

2/3

1/3

200 m	Length	27 km	Elevation	420 m
200 m				
200 m				
	200 m			





Tulove Grede one way

Set out on an exciting cycling journey commencing from Maslenica, offering an awe-inspiring view of the Zrmanja River Canyon. Soon, you'll encounter the "Majstorska Cesta", an incredible engineering feat from the early 19th century, affectionately dubbed the "meisterstück" or masterpiece.

This road, revered as a cultural monument, leads you to the birthplace of Luka Modrić, a prominent footballer and national hero, now a captivating ruin. Pedal through history as you approach Tulove Grede, a fascinating natural

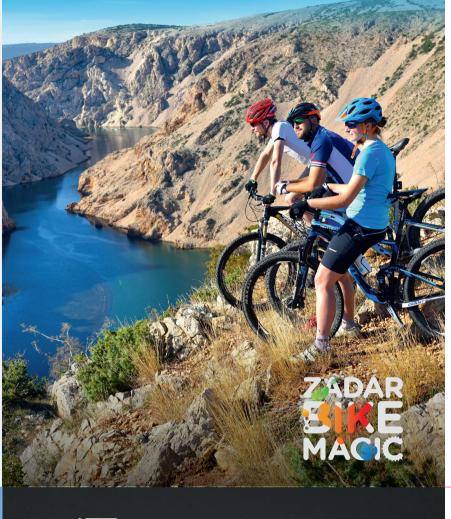
This captivating route is a must-experience journey, ideal for Gravel and E-bike enthusiasts. Explore the remnants of the past, witness engineering brilliance, and immerse yourself in the beauty of nature. Get ready for a cycling adventure that combines history, culture, and the stunning landscapes of the region.

Start/Finish Via Length	Maslenica Tulove Grede 56.6 km ►►	Physical Difficulty Technical Difficulty Elevation	2/3 IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII
800 m			
600 m			
400 m			



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The diversity of the Zadar region provides fascinating experiences for cycling-lovers. The long and rugged coastline, an amazing archipelago, interesting and authentic hinterland with unique views such as Paklenica and the three river canyons, along with the moon-like surface of the magical island of Pag..., are just the highlights of what Zadar region











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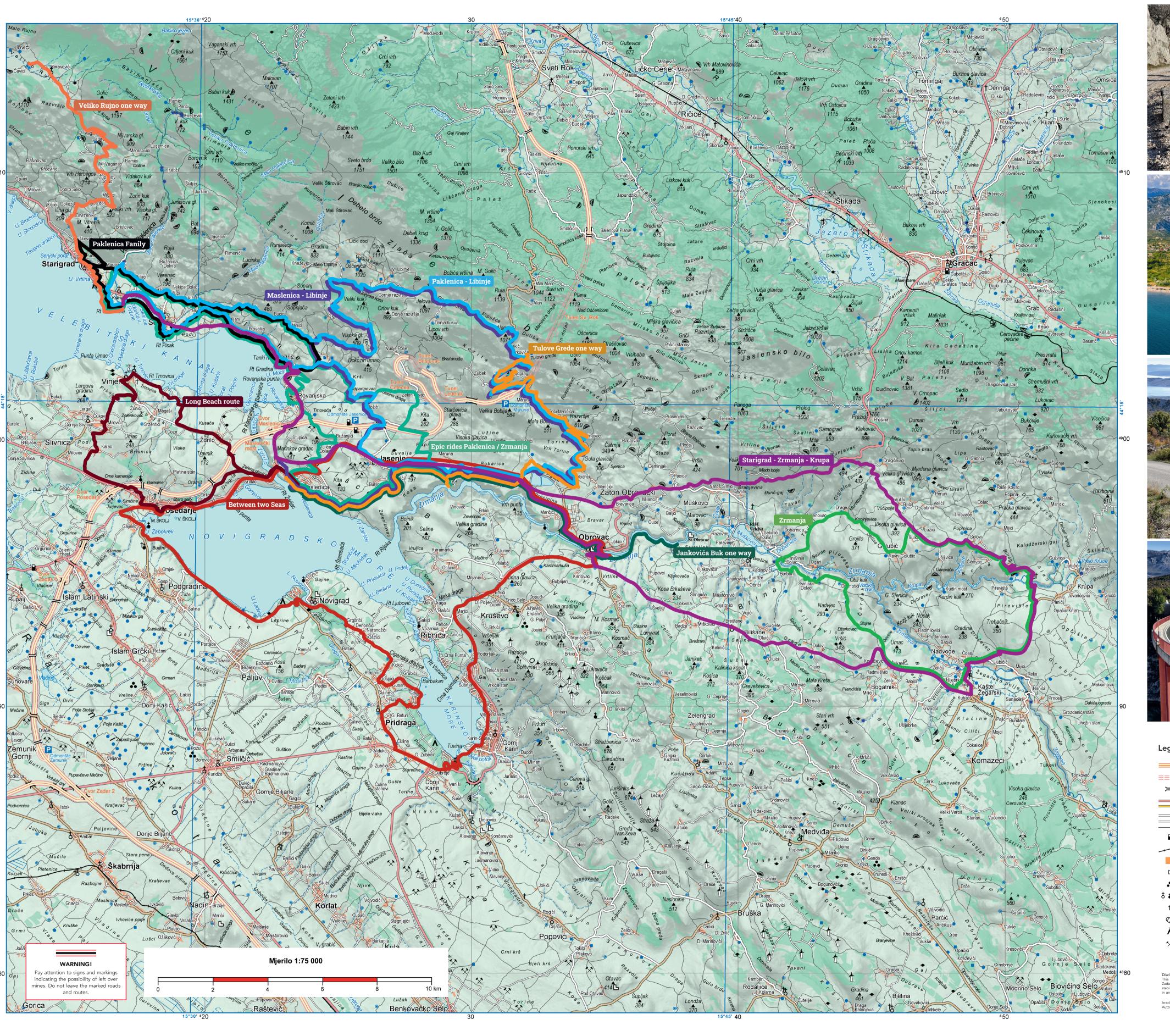


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Legend



□ Old Town, Walls

Archeological site

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 Church, Chapel, Monastery

 \Diamond Sports ground

Mine, Excavation

Lighthouse Forrest

Waterfalls, Rapids

● ● Puddle, Well, Tank

— Marsh area

Lake

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