

River Plitvica and plants around it

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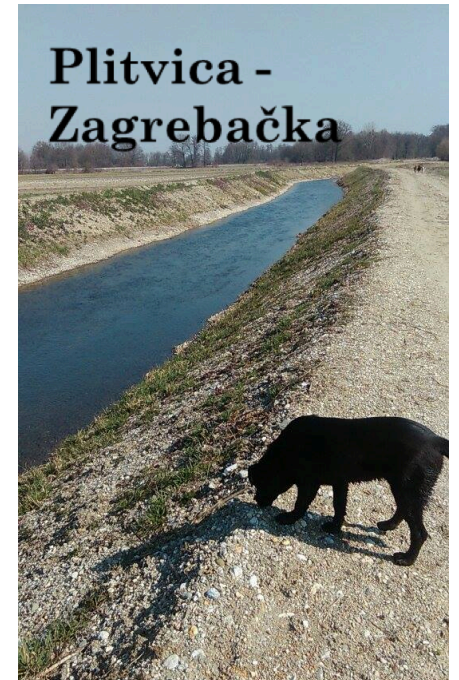


Something about Plitvica

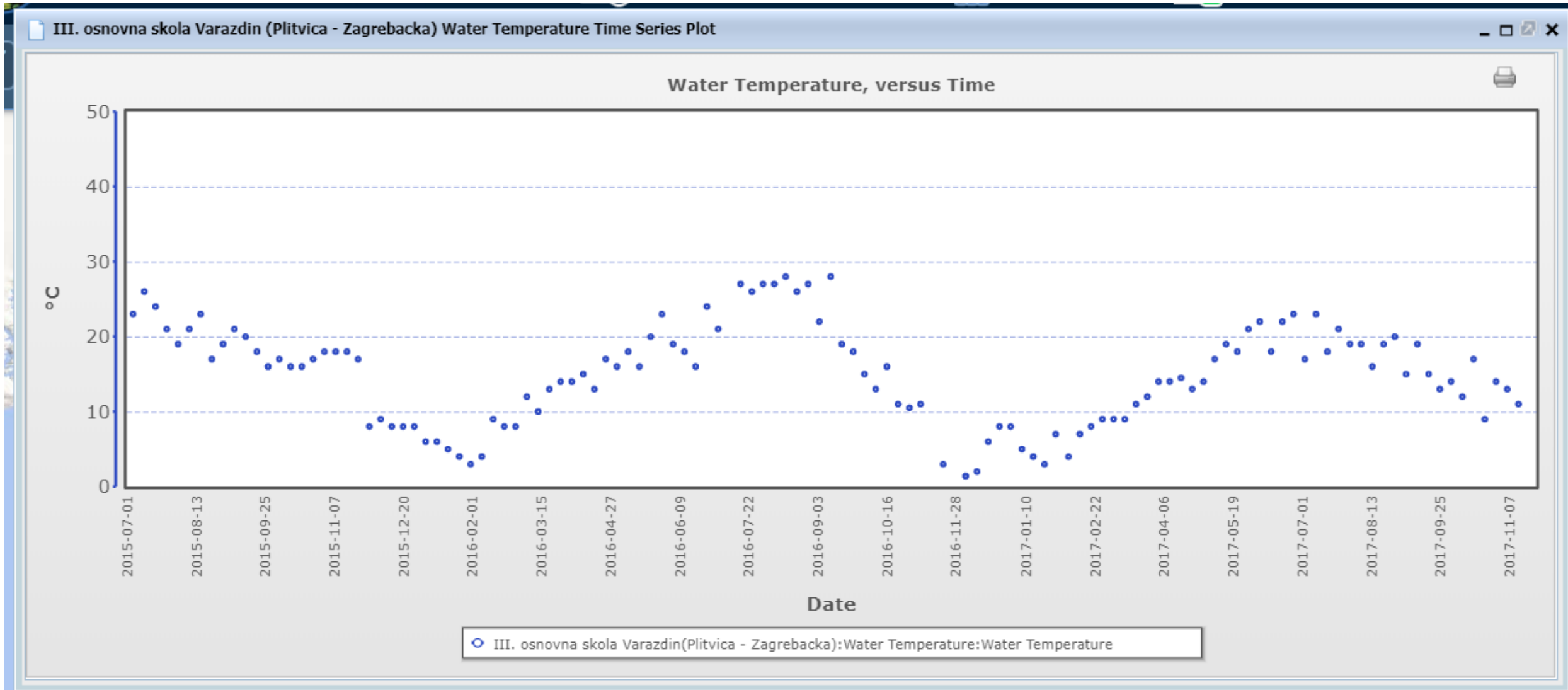
- North Croatia
- Length: 605 km
- Width: 6 m
- Source: village Plitvica Vokanska
- Joins the river Drava in Saint Marija



Four different locations:



Measurements: pH and temperature since 2015



Plants around Plitvica

Salix fragilis (vrba)

- common names **crack willow**
- Broken twigs and branches can take
- root readily, enabling the species to colonise new areas



Silver birch (breza)

- The silver birch is a hardy tree, a pioneer species
- It is planted decoratively in parks and gardens
- owes its common name to the white peeling bark on the trunk.



European oak (hrast)

- its important to insects and other wildlife
- *Slavonian oak* is a regional symbol of Slavonia and a national symbol of Croatia



European ash *Fraxinus excelsior* (jasen)

- European ash contains many substances known for their medical benefits.
- The resilience and rapid growth made it an important resource for smallholders and farmers.



American pokeweed (kermes)

- All parts of the plant are toxic and pose risks to human and mammalian health



Kurika *Euonymus europaeus*

- It is a popular ornamental plant in gardens and parks
- Parts of the plant have been used medicinally.
- The fruit is **poisonous**, containing the alkaloids



Lijeska *Corylus avellana*

- The leaves provide food for many animals
- The fruit are possibly even more important animal food

