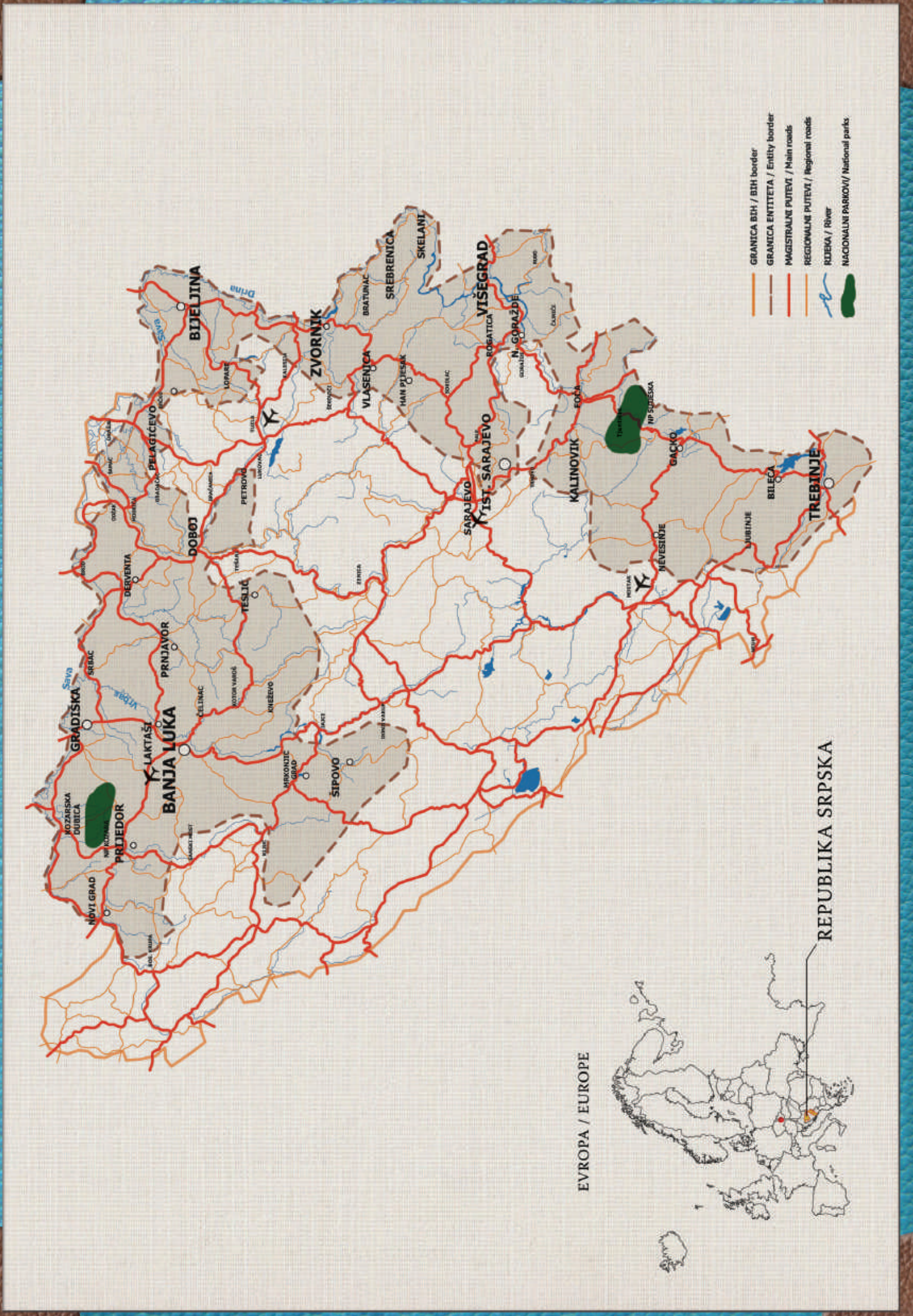


Hit the road!





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REPUBLIKA SRPSKA

HIT THE ROAD: REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA

About Srpska,

Republic of Srpska was declared on 9. January 1992. and as an entity of Bosnia and Herzegovina it was verified in Dayton Peace Treaty and by signing Peace treaty in Paris on 14. December 1995. It borders with Serbia, Montenegro, Republic of Croatia and entity of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Largest city, also distinguished as administrative, industrial, cultural, financial and university center is Banjaluka.

Republic of Srpska offers various contents for all tourists that come to visit us. Fans of active holiday, nature and all those places that keep the spirit of history and tradition, will find place for themselves here. Fill every moment spent in Srpska with quality and diversity.

Welcome!



HIT THE ROAD: BANJA LUKA

Banja Luka- "Krajina's beauty" is a city of youth, culture, sports and centuries old tree lined paths. Monumental buildings of Ban's government- Administrative centre of town and Ban's Court, Cultural centre, dating since Kingdom of Yugoslavia, building of old Train station from 1891, now Museum of Contemporary Art of RepublikaSrpska, all have characterised the city centre and along with Gospodska street, which is inevitable to walk through, and represent extraordinary combination of past and the present. Visit most famous vacation area **Banjbrdo**, which provides most magnificent panoramic view of the city. Vacation area is rich in forest, walking and mountaineering paths, drinking water springs and arranged places for vacation and leisure.

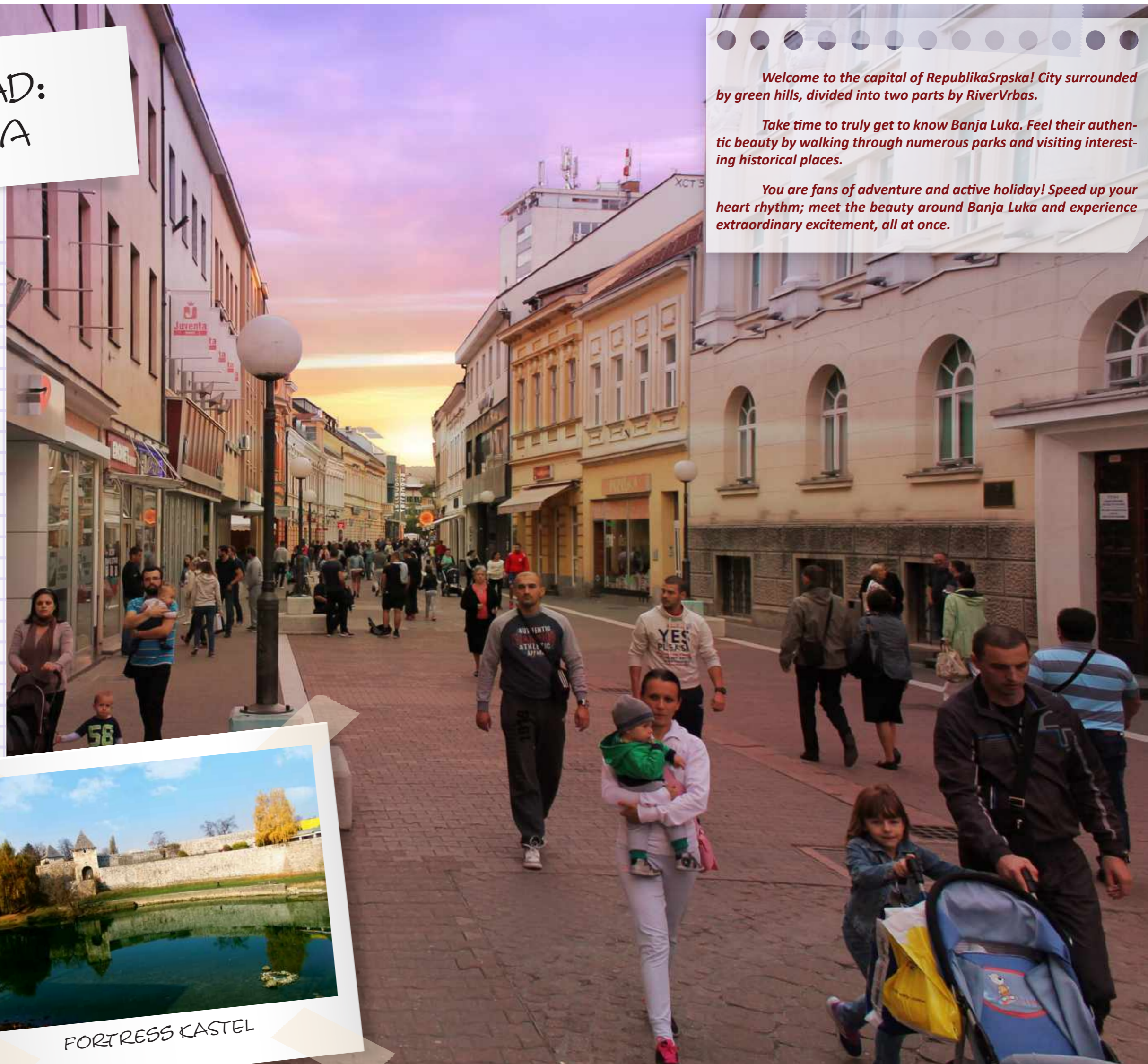
City's pride is **Fortress Kastel**, placed on the banks of Vrbas, where everything began few centuries ago. Through historical periods it has been a witness of city's development, battles and trading, and today is a remarkable place for tourist to visit. Besides restaurants and a park, inside the fortress walls there is an open stage where every summer numerous cultural and fun performances take place, along with festivals, musical concerts, exhibitions...



PETAR KOČIĆ PARK



FORTRESS KASTEL



Welcome to the capital of RepublikaSrpska! City surrounded by green hills, divided into two parts by RiverVrbas.

Take time to truly get to know Banja Luka. Feel their authentic beauty by walking through numerous parks and visiting interesting historical places.

You are fans of adventure and active holiday! Speed up your heart rhythm; meet the beauty around Banja Luka and experience extraordinary excitement, all at once.

HIT THE ROAD: BANJA LUKA

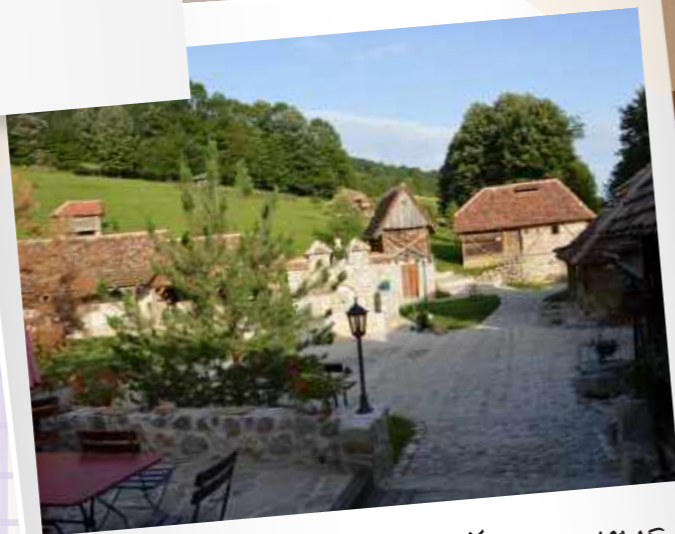
For adventurers only! For EVERYONE! We are setting of to adventure of Banja Luka...

Rare places in the world, such as Banja Luka city territory, in a relatively small area offer various adventurer activities as: rafting, kayaking, hydro speed, walking, canyoning, paragliding, cycling, canoeing, speleology, sports climbing, alpinism, archery, dayaking, paintball, airsoft and parachute jumping.

Do not miss the adventure:

Krupa on Vrbas is a small town decorated by waterfalls, mills and springs of Krupa River. Springs of Krupa, mills, Strika's Cave, wooden church from 16th century and medieval town Greben (from 1192) are only some of the characteristics of this vacation area, only 25 km from Banja Luka. Religious tourism fans can find peace in St Ilija's Monastery, dating from 1289, accessible through forest walking trail.

Equestrian Club "Čokorskapolja" is situated 10 km west of the city centre. It offers 6 tracks for terrain horseback riding, in length from 10 to 15 km.



ETHNO VILLAGE LJUBAČKE DOLINE

Magical regions...idillic rural ambience...

Visit villages near Banja Luka that preserve its tradition and customs made through centuries. Special songs, peasant costume and dance, as well as work in the field are unique for rural area of Banja Luka. Rural area of Banja Luka can show of with its exceptional natural beauty and richness of cultural heritage, combined with hospitability and kindness of local residents. Traditionally, local residents welcome all guests as friends, and prepare the feast of traditional, healthy, organic food.

Ethno village "Ljubačkedoline" - is placed about 20 km from Banja Luka, and it is an ecological oasis spreading over two hectares, consisting of 30 authentic objects from surrounding villages dating from the end of 19th and beginning of the 20th century. The most beautiful view of the River Vrbas can be experienced from village Ljubačevo.

Village Piskavica - village near Banja Luka where traditional events and folk inheritance is preserved. In the first week of July in village Piskavica below Kozara Mountain and in Banja Luka, traditional manifestation "Kozarskietno" is held.



WATERFALLS - KRUPA ON VRBAS

- *Enjoy beauty of Vrbas River by riding in Dayak boats, recognisable symbol of Banja Luka.*
- *For wild adventure and adrenalin rush, as well as more calm family tours, we recommend rafting on Vrbas.*



DAYAK ON VRBAS



RAFTING ON VRBAS

DO NOT MISS THE
ADVENTURE

- *We especially emphasize the adventure of night rafting on Vrbas, by slalom path with exceptional infrastructure that enables night rafting over rapids and waterfalls, offer which is unique in Europe.*



KAYAK - TIJESNO CANYON

HIT THE ROAD: BANJA LUKA

Don't miss the most interesting cultural event in the city on Vrbas River...

Teatarfest PetarKočić, manifestation that presents and awards best theatre achievements. Festival is held in June in National Theater of Republika Srpska.

International festival of young actors "Zaplet" – festival is held in City Theatre Jazavac in

International film festival Kratkofil plus is one of the more significant events in regional, but also world's short film stage. Since 2010, the festival constantly widens and improves its program concept by introducing and feature-length films. It is held in July.

Come and feel the energy of the world's best festivals!!!

Demofest is the largest pop/rock demo festival in Balkan region, where unestablished music bands compete to present their author work and get nominated for Demofest awards. It takes place in Banja Luka in July.

Dukat fest, international festival of culture. Aim of Dukat fest is to assemble folklore ensembles from all over the world so the people of Republika Srpska and Bosnia and Hercegovina can be presented with various cultures and origins of people from all continents. It is held in Banja Luka in June.

Fresh Wave is the largest festival of electronic music in Bosnia and Hercegovina. It is held in Kastel Fortress in Banja Luka.



FRESH WAVE FESTIVAL



ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST THE SAVIOR

TREASURY

Orthodox Cathedral Church of "Christ the Savior" – today Church of the Christ the Savior, is one of the most beautiful and largest architectural accomplishments of orthodox temples in Balkans.

Monastery Krupa na Vrbasu (XIII century) is situated 25 km from Banjaluka to Mrkonjić Grad, and named after a place where it is built. It is dedicated to Saint Ilija.

Gomionica Monastery – It is presumed that Gomionica Monastery (42 km west of Banja Luka) was built before 1536. Today, it is the only women's monastery in region of northwest Republika Srpska.

Stuplje Monastery – it is first mentioned in second half of XV century. In Stuplje Monastery, dedicated to St Archangel Michael, from the middle of XV to the end of XVII century, monk life was organized. It is situated in the area of Čelinac municipality.

Convent Marija Zvijezda – Trappist convent Marija Zvijezda is placed near Vrbas bank, near Banjaluka's Brewery, 5 km from town centre. Banjaluka's Trappists are known for making special brand of cheese "Trapist" which can be bought in this convent. For the last 30 years the church is also a parish church and there is no other like it in Bosnia and Hercegovina.

Ferhadija Mosque – built in 1579. It is one of the most valuable cultural-historical monuments of oriental architecture in Bosnia and Hercegovina, built under influence of well-known Turkish architect Sinan.

Safikada's grave, situated in centre of town, in front of the Kastel Fortress, is a witness of Banjaluka's legend of eternal but unfortunate love of young girl from Banjaluka and Austro-Hungarian soldier. Place of her death is nowadays a monument where young couples light candles for their love and happiness.

KratkofilPlus



HIT THE ROAD: GRADIŠKA, LAKTAŠI, SRBAC, PRNJAVOR

Stone globe in Slatina, Laktaši- is the largest stone ball in Bosnia and Hercegovina. Its estimated weight is about 10 tons and diameter of 2 metres. Interesting fact is that its origin is still unknown, for which there are numerous incredible theories and beliefs. Globe can be reached by marked and cleared path through beautiful forest ambient.

Healing slabs in Devetina- In the churchyard of Ukrainian church in Laktaši village Devetina, shaded by 100 year oak forest, there are eight stone slabs. The ninth is several miles away and the legend says that Marko Kraljević himself threw it away when he visited this region. This unusual natural phenomenon is believed to have healing effects and that each stone is helpful in eliminating various medical disorders.

Early - Byzantium lost city "Balkis" from IV century- consists of two plateaus of impressive proportions, with over 40.000 square meters of consisting objects, and about 280 meters of defensive walls. It is supposed that between 3000 and 4000 residents used to live there. This place represents largest and most significant basilica in Bosnia and Hercegovina.



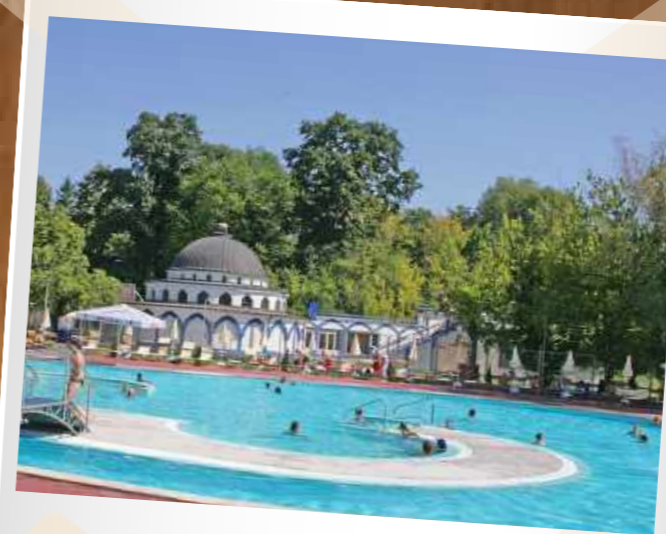
STONE GLOBE IN SLATINA



HEALING SLABS IN DEVETINA



EARLY - BYZANTIUM LOST CITY
BALKIS



LAKTAŠI SPA



SLATINA SPA



KULAŠI SPA

...MAGICAL SPRINGS...

Modern health- touristic centre, Terme Laktaši- placed in peaceful and attractive natural ambient, surrounded by greenery, trees and other park vegetation. It has a very long tradition in using spa water. Tourists and other visitors can use complete medical treatment which consists of numerous therapeutic procedures. Among other contents, we recommend indoor swimming pool with thermo - mineral water, sauna, fitness, medical - therapeutic contents, sports fields as well as modern complex of outdoor swimming pools.

Slatina Spa- is placed in the eponymous- touristic town 12 km from Laktaši, in 206 meters above sea level. Main characteristics are clean air, rich thermo-mineral water springs, reaching temperature of over 42 degrees Celsius and drinking mineral water springs, known as "Kiseljaci". Toponym of the place is Ilidža which is a Turkish word for spa and thermal spring in general. Besides rehabilitation, visitors can use various possibilities for recreation, consisting of sports activities (beach volleyball, table tennis, basketball...), walks in the nature, tours of cultural- historical monuments, hunting, fishing...

Kulaši Spa- is 14 km away from Prnjavor. One hundred-year-old tradition of "Kulaši" is based on springs of extremely healing thermo-mineral water, with temperature of 27 degrees Celsius. Bacteriologically is completely sterile, and special characteristics are high alkali value (Ph of 11.75) and low mineralisation (168 mg/l). There are only three springs of this water in Europe and seven worldwide. Analysis of thermo-mineral water shows that it is especially useful for healing: kidney diseases, urinary tract, digestive tract diseases, female reproductive organs, high blood pressure and cholesterol, diabetes, physical injuries, loco- motoric system diseases and skin diseases.

HIT THE ROAD: GRADIŠKA, LAKTAŠI, SRBAC, PRNJAVOR

TREASURY

Wooden church- in MaloBlaško, near Laktaši, dedicated to birth of the Holly Mother of God. The church is most significant cultural-historical monument in Laktaši region, and wider. It is considered that this church dates from 1745. It is very interesting because of its architecture which consists of all elements of large churches.

Wooden Church in Palačkovci- situated 20 km from Prnjavor, built in the middle of XIX century, represents highest category monument, which uniqueness reflects in fact that it is entirely made of oak tree.

Osovica Monastery, Srbac- monastery complex Osovica is placed in foothill of Motajica Mountain, 30 km from Srbac. Father Dositej, host of the monastery, states that copy of monastery seal from 1330 must be taken into consideration while determining exact time of monastery origins, even though it is not excluded that it originated long before.



OŠOVICA MONASTERY



WOODEN CHURCH IN PRNJAVOR



VACATION AREA BALKIS

WE RECOMMENDED:

If you are fishing enthusiast enjoying major catch- visit area of the Drenova Lake near Prnjavor.

Vacation area Balkis is placed in attractive natural ambient on slopes of Kozara Mountain, 10 minute drive from Laktaši, only 2 km of highway Gradiška- Banja Luka in Aleksandrovac exit. Accommodation capacities are total of 28 beds in up-to date equipped bungalows built in ethno style.

HIT THE ROAD: MRKONJIĆ GRAD, RIBNIK, ŠIPOVO



LAKE BALKANA

Ribnik - hunting and fishing paradise...

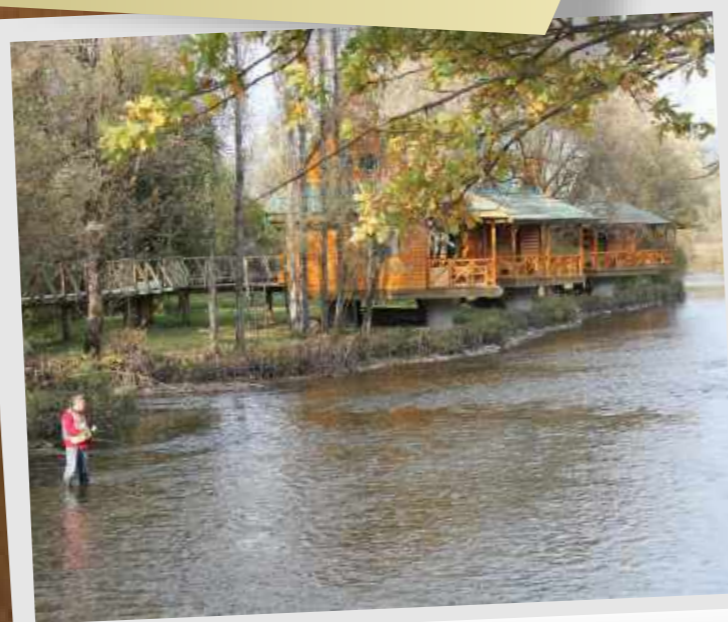
Ribnik is ideal place for **vacation, hunting and fly-fishing**. Town was built on the left bank of the river Ribnik, which rises few kilometres away from the town itself. On the spring of the river, there are arranged paths for walking and recreation, and you can stay in pile dwellings Ribnik, made of wood, which are placed in completely natural surroundings, or stay at Villas Ribnik, modern, comfortable and luxuriously equipped, offering top conditions for pleasant and enjoyable stay.

Fly fishing compound on river Ribnik extends from spring all the way to the mouth of the river Sana. Fishing rules in fly fishing compound on river Ribnik are in accordance to sports ethics principle: "catch and release."

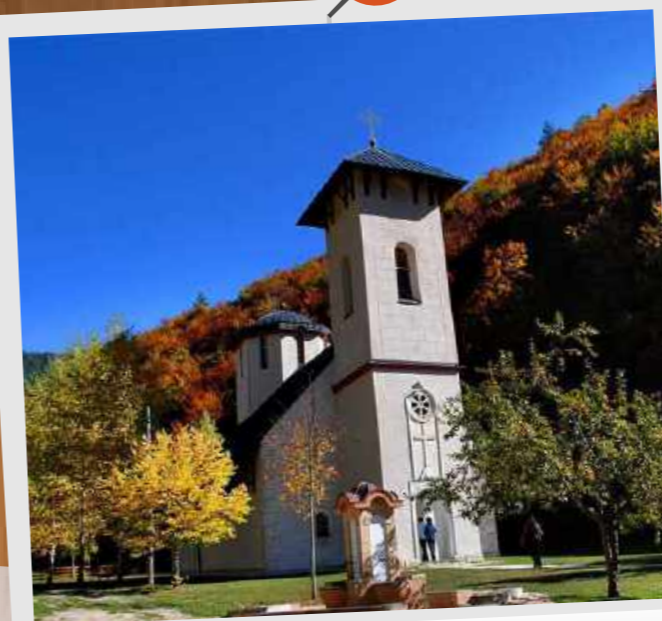


VACATION AREA BALKANA

TOURIST RECREATION CENTRE BALKANA, WITH ITS TWO OVAL LAKES PLACED IN THE HEARTH OF LISINA MOUNTAIN IS INTERESTING FOR VISITORS DURING THE ENTIRE YEAR.



RIVER RIBNIK



GLOGOVAC MONASTERY

Fortified cities, witnesses of the past times...

Sokol Town above the canyon of the river Sokočnica/Šipovo, was first mentioned in 1336 when King Tvrtko I Kotromanić defeated the Hungarian army.

Prizrenac (or Prizren)/Mrkonjić Grad, watch tower, placed high on the right side of river Sana canyon.

Legends says that from the fortress Prizrenac and Red Rocks, queen Kosana known as The Black Queen, successfully defended herself from the superior Turkish army, by the end of XV century. Reason of her defeat was betrayal. Seeing that fortress fell and defeat was inevitable, queen Kosana let her army go, and put all her valuable possessions in large stone tub, locked it with magic, turned herself in a black snake and stayed to guard the fortress and the treasure. Legends also says that, when a young man with a pure heart who never had a girlfriend before, arrives and kisses her on St George's Day, this black snake will turn itself again into a girl of astonishing beauty, merry that man and give him all her treasure.

Medieval fortress Bočac/Mrkonjić Grad, placed over Vrbas canyon, was built with mission to guard the river crossing. This fortress is first mentioned in 1446.

Treasury

Glogovac Monastery (from 1886)- according to the legend, monastery was built in the narrow gorge of the Glogovac River, because the residents got permission from Sultan from Istanbul to build a church, but the Vizier ordered that it should have been built in place where church bells wouldn't be heard from.

Miracle in Medna- in the valley of river Mednjaka below mountain Dimitor, in village not far from Mrkonjić- Grad, remains of three monks were found, 340 years old.

It has happened recently. According to Petra's vision, since she was a girl, she has been seeing the monks. Remains were transferred to Church of Holly Mother's Birth, but how they died and where they came from, remains to be determined. According to one legend, they came from Herzegovina, Monastery of St Peter and Paul.



MEDIEVAL FORTRESS ROČAC

HIT THE ROAD: MRKONJIĆ GRAD, RIBNIK, ŠIPOVO

We recommend:

Zelenkovac... Mountain vacation area near Mrkonjić-Grad- oasis for men craving for art and nature!!! Do not miss Jazz festival, held here for numerous years.

Relax, enjoy home-made cooking, meet the scent and beauty of living in the countryside in some of beautiful households in Šipovo.

Klekovača Mountain

Between Klekovača and Lunjevača mountains in Drinić region, there is primeval forest Lom. Exceptionally preserved, untouched nature. Natural values of Lom primeval forest are first seen in beech, fir and spruce forests. This Krajina's beauty has 306 species of mushroom, over 1000 plant species and 59 bird species...

These are strict nature reservations, wild areas, forest reservations, deposits of rare plant species and beautiful landscapes.



JAZZ FESTIVAL - ZELENKOVAC



ZELENKOVAC

Edelweiss (Leontopodium alpinum) is very rare and protected plant not only in this area but in the entire Europe. This rare plant makes special and unusual attraction of Klekovača Mountain. Edelweiss also grows on Kopaonik and Mučanj Mountain in Serbia, Durmitor, Sinjejavina and Prokletije in Montenegro and Plješivica, Velebit, Dinara and Gorski Kotar in Croatia.



THE SOURCE OF THE RIVER SANA

Exceptional

Visitor Center Peckais placed in what used to be primary school in place Gornja Pecka/ Mrkonjić Grad. Object is renovated within project for tourism developing Grain trade route, by funds from EU.

It is placed in the foothill of eponymous and largest natural rock climbing area in Bosnia and Hercegovina, equipped with over 100 climbing trails. Most significant attractions nearby are: springs of Sana River, 6 km away, springs of Pliva River and Eco-zone Zelenkovac, 15 km away, and mountain peaks of Krajina's high mountains: Vitorog, Klekovača and Šatorare about 60 km away. The entire area has great cultural- historical significance. In Roman period, in Gornja Pecka, where Roman road was passing through, there was a settlement named Sernade.

Centre is beginning and ending point for picnics, hiking, cycling, hiking over "High Krajina" mountains...there you can get all information about route, tourist attractions, local food manufacturers, accommodation etc... Centre has suitable infrastructure, parking places for visitors as well as catering facilities.



CLIMBING AREA PECKA

HIT THE ROAD: MRKONJIĆ GRAD, RIBNIK, ŠIPOVO

Natural beauty of Šipovo known through unique activities:

Pliva Spring... Pliva, river of extraordinary clearness, specific colour and luxurious natural beauty, represents a small heaven for sports fishermen in fly fishing discipline.

Tourist complex "Pliva" is placed near the spring of river Pliva, near the river bank, surrounded by mountain pastures, oak and beech forest. River Pliva can offer what only true nature lovers appreciate and respect. Along with the beautiful natural ambient, there is always exciting and unpredictable fishing.

Janjske otoke... Janjske otoke is a place with diverse scenery, where river Janj creates magical appearance of this area. Numerous waterfalls and cascades create an unforgettable experience.

Primeval forest Janj... Primeval forest reservation Janj was founded as a forest with special intention, aiming to serve as area for scientific exploration, and as "natural rarity" to be attractive for visitors.

Vaganska Cave... on highway Šipovo-Kupres, above the village Vagan, there is Vaganska Cave, 920 meters above the sea level. It is rich in cave ornaments- stalactites and stalagmites, and in speleologists' terms it has 8 entities.

- Do not miss...**
- Traditional manifestation "Days of Moving" with goal to preserve memory of well-known Mrkonjić's movers and mowing scythe. Manifestation is dedicated to Lazar Laketa, former first mover in Europe. In Mrkonjić Grad area, there is still "blacksmith" trade, several hundred years old, and blacksmith shops are proud to make famous scythe.
 - Get into the adventure of hiking Roman "Caravan way":
 - Discover secret unique species of algae that can be found only in Sokolačka Cave.
 - The view of dangerous waterfall and white carbonated rocks of river Sokočnica is breath-taking.
 - Do not miss to meet the history on Slavic- Orthodox cemetery from X century.
 - Wash your face in miraculous spring "Tear".



TOURIST COMPLEX PLIVA



JANJSKE OTOKE



HIT THE ROAD: PRIJEDOR, KOZARSKA DUBICA, NOVI GRAD

PRIJEDOR...

Walk over modern promenade through centre of **Prijedor**, European town on the bank of Sana River. In its promenade with numerous cafes and gardens and where everything is full of life, tourists can enjoy the view of three murals that give special meaning to the city.

When continuing walk you can visit **Memorial house- museum of family Stojanović**, very important cultural corner in Prijedor, where drMladenStojanović, humanist, revolutionary and legend of this area was presented, along with his brother, world's famous artist, painter and sculptor SretenStojanović. Also, we recommend a visit to **Museum of Kozara** where you can see exhibits from period of late Middle Ages (Turkish period) until the period after WWII.



PRIJEDOR



ECO CENTER LJEKARICE



ECO CENTAR LJEKARICE



RIVER SANA

Magical springs

Motto of Institute Mlječanica, KozarskaDubica is: "The nature gives back by health!" It is modern specialised institution for physical medicine and rehabilitation. Mlječanica institute organises expert and scientific assemblies and congresses, as well as other educational and social manifestations.

Golden hands of Potkozarje(-July), ethno exhibition, manifestation whose basic goal is preservation of culture, tradition and customs of this region. This manifestation encourages economy and individuals to work and create, by nourishing tradition and promoting folk treasure of Potkozarje.

WE RECOMMENDED:

Eco centre Ljekarice is situated between Banjaluka (40km) and Prijedor (30km). Pools in natural surroundings give exceptional possibilities for quality active vacation and fishing. There are improvised sports fields, walking trails, and untouched nature. Natural surroundings is very important to camping fans, and makes camping here special because of organised areas in untouched and preserved nature.

Election of Romany emperor- Manifestation developed by people of Dubica 170 years ago and it is unique in Europe and the world. Gypsy emperor is chosen from four nationalities few days before orthodox Christmas. Two contestants from each ethnic group or nationality: Romany, Serbian, Croatian, Bosnian, all with hands bind behind their backs, sitting in in circle, with team cooperation of their pair, try to bite and keep an apple hanging on a thread in the centre. Contestant that bites and manages to keep the apple is crowned and declared Romany Emperor. Newly elected emperor takes the crown until the next competition and has obligation to help most endangered Romas during that year.

DO NOT MISS:

Visit domestic household and vine cellar of Banjac family, which is engaged in wine growing and producing in village Klekovci, 7 km from KozarskaDubica, on altitude of 200 meters, exceptionally favourable location for grapevine production. Along domestic wine you can try domestic delicatessen, cottage cheese and homemade juices.

Una regatta- with boat down Una- international manifestation organised by municipalities Novi Grad, Dvor, HrvatskaKostajnica and Krupa na Uni. Chance to meet beauty of one and only River Una, using rafting boat or beautiful ship.

HIT THE ROAD: PRIJEDOR, KOZARSKA DUBICA, NOVI GRAD

We invite you, while searching for your own peace, to discover best hidden secrets of the diverse flora, clear mountain springs, dense forest complexes and wonderful landscapes of National Park Kozara.

National park Kozara was declared national park in 1967 and it is today member of Federation of National Parks of Europe, EUROPARC. Memorial complex consisting of monument, memorial wall and museum was built in 1972, in central area of NP Kozara, Mrakovica.

Hiking is the best way to meet the beauties of nature in NP Kozara. All trails are marked and can be seen without a guide. There are hiking tours with guides for those who would like to see the wider area of NP Kozara. As a part of Memorial complex in Mrakovica, there is a hiking path for children, to satisfy the needs of the youngest visitors. For those craving for adventure and adrenalin rush, there is a prepared climbing rock in the area of "Rabbit's Stone" (Zečijikamen).

For all winter sports fans, there are two ski trails available, one for older visitors and one for the youngest. Large ski trail is 600m long and has a ski lift with capacity of 900 skiers per hour. It is lit up with reflectors, so visitors can enjoy night skiing. Ski trail for children is 150 m long and has mini ski lift with capacity of 450 skiers per hour.

We recommend...

Tourist-sport manifestation "**Days of winter in Kozara**" held in Kozara in the beginning of February... it lasts for two days and consists of sports competitions in winter games and gastro competitions with rich entertaining program.



NATIONAL PARK KOZARA



MOŠTANICA MONASTERY



KLISINA MONASTERY

Treasury

Monastery Moštanica (XVI century) is 12 km away from Kozarska Dubica, hidden in heart of Mountain Kozara, near river Moštanica, and it is one of the oldest monasteries in Krajina. According to one of the legends, it is endowment of Nemanjići and according to the other it was built in 1113 in a place where St Theodore Tiron died.

Monastery Klisina- was built in old monastery place from XV century and today is one of spiritual centres of north-west part of Republika Srpska.

HIT THE ROAD:
TESLIĆ, DOBOJ, DERVENTA, BROD,
ŠAMAC, MODRICA, PELAGICEVO

Untouched nature, villages and treasury of old customs!

Oasis of health, beauty and peace in very heart of nature - your body and soul will love you for it!

In the vicinity of Teslić, there is one of the most modern health, congress, wellness and tourist centres in Republika Srpska and region, Vrućica Spa. All contents of this health - tourist centre provide numerous options for vacation, health, recreation and leisure in beautiful natural ambient and surroundings. With four hotels and total capacity of 1000 beds, wellness centre, congress halls with up-to-date equipment, tennis, basketball and soccer courts, and arranged parks, walking and cycling trails in total length of 7 km.

Use the healing characteristics of thermo-mineral water and ease your cardiovascular, rheumatologic and neurological difficulties.



VRUĆICA SPA

In 20 km from Doboj to Derventa, there is a tourist ethno village "Royal Village Kotromanićevo". It was built on the coast of river Veličanka, rich in fish and shells, which is a proof of its cleanness. It is embedded into ambient of untouched nature, which presents great surroundings for transit vacation, seminar organisation, enjoying old royal ambient and architecture of Bosnian kings. Besides, you can enjoy performances of knight tournaments and fencing, along with traditional medieval knight dinner. Village capacities are four bungalows, built in ethno style, but with up-to-date equipment adapted to modern times.

Fishing enthusiast will find a place for themselves in this part of Srpska. Relax while enjoying your favourite discipline in Pelagićevo Lake and rivers Ukrina, Usora, Bosna and Sava.



ETHNO VILLAGE KOTROMANIĆEVO



DOBOJ FORTRESS

Walking through Doboj Fortress you can feel the spirit of middle ages, charm of princesses and courage of the knights. Doboj Fortress, whose construction started in XII century, today is cultural-historical monument of high value, whose silhouette imposes marks of modern city. Tourist offer in the fortress are: amphitheatre, café bar, children's playground, gift shop... Replicas of ancient weapons and antiques create special charm while visiting Doboj Fortress, and returning you to the Middle Ages. Imagine pulling the string on an old catapult made by drawings of Leonardo da Vinci.

Cultural-Historical Complex Detlak, Derventa- complex consists of monastery church with medieval necropolis, ambarine and a cave. Ambarine in Donji Detlak are made of 23 holes in the stone, placed in the oblique rock near orthodox monastery church of Saint Ilija in Donji Detlak and local road through Donji Detlak. The Cave is a hole in the rock made by human hands, and resembles to an altar of some religious object. Most likely in this area there was a monk cabin or smaller religious object.

TREASURY
 In the bottom of Borja Mountain, 25 km from Teslić, there is Liplje Monastery. Construction of this monastery is through history often connected with Stefan Nemanja and St Sava, and it is first mentioned in second half of XV century. Visitors can spend the night in monastery rooms.

In the heart of Ozren Mountain, 7 km from Petrovo there is a monastery with the same name, dedicated to Holy Father Nicholas, which is believed to be endowment of Nemanjići, or even King Dragutin from XIII century. Since 1992, remains (right hand) of St. Marina, the Great Martyr are placed here.



LIPLJE MONASTERY



MONASTERY OF HOLY FATHER NICHOLAS ON OZREN

HIT THE ROAD: TESLIĆ, DOBOJ, DERVENTA, BROD, ŠAMAC, MODRICA, PELAGICEVO

Destination where tradition can be combined with your favourite activities, such as: riding a bicycle, walking through woods, swimming in the lake, photo safari, or painting landscapes of Ozren, or you can try something completely new- like flying.

Visit rural households where one can enjoy different kind of vacation, relaxed and calm, where life becomes fulfilled with discovering nature and tradition.

Rastuša Cave near Teslić is one of the largest caves in Republika Srpska and Bosnia and Hercegovina, and for its tiger patterned detail, it is one of the three known in Europe, besides cave near Vicenza, Italy and cave near Paris.

Wolf days in Ozren- traditional manifestation being held number of years in Ozren Mountain, during February, when over 1000 hunting enthusiasts from all over the region gather in one place. Besides one- day hunting on wolf as primary activity, it is inevitable for hunters to gather and in cheerful atmosphere tell tall tales. During that time, visitors have opportunity to get to know natural beauties of this area, gastronomy, souvenirs and other touristic potential.

Magical regions...

Borja mountain - On the slopes of Borja Mountain and altitude of 810 meters, there is a Sports-Recreational Centre "Hajdučkevode". Also, there are numerous walking, running and cycling trails, which make this location suitable for soul and body pleasure, as well as active vacation. When beautiful mountain scenery is also taken into consideration, it is clear why this destination is both in summer and winter favoured by many tourist from nearer or further regions.

Ozren Mountain - Tranquillity, silence, fresh air and richness of flora and fauna of Ozren Mountain will overwhelm you and make you return to this green oasis, either as excursionists or potential contestants in some of adventurous disciplines (hiking, paragliding, or mountain cycling).



RASTUŠA CAVE



Derventa Fair- most attractive and best known traditional manifestation in Derventa. It is held for over half a century by the bank of Ukrina River as people's holiday and appealing touristic-economical attraction..



SPORTS - RECREATIONAL CENTRE
HAJDUČKE VODE



PARAGLIDING



RICYCLING

HIT THE ROAD:

BIJELJINA, UGLJEVIK, LOPARE, ZVORNIK,
ŠEKOVIĆI, BRATUNAC, VLASENICA,
MILIĆI, SREBRENICA



LAKE ZVORNIK



ZVORNIK BY NIGHT

We recommend for young people...

Youth summer camp of international character in Vlasenica/ village Donji Zalukovik, where Youth Hostel "Old School" is placed, and run by NGO "Youth council". Stay in camp is organised in shifts and activities are diverse, from entertainment to educational.

ZVORNIK...

You can start getting to know Zvornik by visiting Tourist Information Centre placed by the building Kasina, recognisable symbol of the city, dating from beginning of the XX century. In this building nowadays there are Library, Museum collection and art workshop Paleta, led by its founder and painter Jovo Lalić, whose paintings will show you Zvornik in completely unique light. Architectural uniqueness of Kasina building is fulfilled by monuments dating from geological pre-history, Roman period and old Bosnian tombstones displayed in front of the building. You can meet the heart of Zvornik in The Old town core and by walking over The Old Iron Bridge, built in 1929, which today represents the symbol of connection and understanding of people in Srpska and Serbia. We recommend that you visit the manifestation Zvorničkoljeto- Zvornik summer, held every year in period from 02 to 08 August. Only few kilometres from Zvornik, you can enjoy pleasant, domestic atmosphere of small town Kiseljak, where all nature's power and beauty comes to life in form of 9 healing, mineral water springs.

Breathe the Antic air...

Remains of Antic city "Municipium Malvesiatum" dating from IV century A.D. have been discovered in the area of Skelani in 2008. Central emperor's palace, villa rusticana and many other exhibits were discovered, so this area was declared cultural monument of great importance and registered as future "Archaeological Museum Skelani". It is important to mention that Gornji Potočari, Osredak, Ljeskovik and Krst are homes of medieval burial grounds from XIV and XV century with standing tombstones and graves with built stone tiles. Roman quarry in Dardagani near Zvornik consists of one subterranean quarry from I to V century A.D. as well as two surface quarries. It was the biggest Roman quarry in Balkans, and supposedly largest and best preserved cave type monument of Roman stone monuments in Europe. Slovenian archaeologists have discovered that stone from this very important quarry was taken to Sirmium, one of the capitals of Roman Empire.

Welcome to the destination where urban and wild are permanently and delightfully bonded! Remains of Antic city "Municipium Malvesiatum" dating from IV century A.D. have been discovered in the area of Skelani. Destination for devotees of some old time memories as well as those who enjoy modern and adventurist events.

Feel the primordial peace...

In the road Šekovići – Zvornik, in beautiful mountain area with clear springs and dense forests, there are two monasteries which represent real oasis of peace and spirituality.

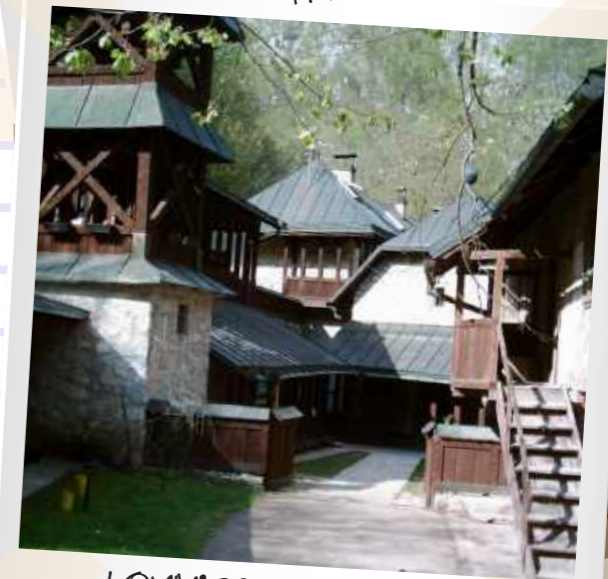
Monastery Papraća with one of the biggest churches in RS/Bosna and Hercegovina is classified as one of the greatest accomplishments of Moravska School of architecture. Even though there are various assumptions, according to the eldest traditional stories, it was built by King Dragutin and his sons. **Monastery Lovnica** is placed in Donji Birač, in the spring of river Lovnica by which it got its name for. Its most valuable sights are: one of the best biographies from Turkish period saved on walls of the church and Museum of People's Liberation Combat placed in restored monastery shelter.

On the calm hillsides of Majejica mountain, descending to River Drina and Semberia plane, on the spring of the same named river, there is **Tavna Monastery** (XV century). It is easy to come to monastery using asphalt roads from Bijeljina, Loznica, Zvornik and Ugljevik. It is mentioned as a monastery even in the earliest Turkish notes from 1533 and according to traditional folk stories it was built by King Dragutin. Today this is a women's monastery.

Serbian Orthodox Monastery of Holly Trinity-Sase is placed in the mining hillside town between Srebrenica and Bratunac. It was built in 1242 as an endowment of King Uroš I Nemanjić, whose remains and cross have been kept in this monastery for a long time. It is near antic excavation site Domavija where remains of the great spa and parliament building have been found, which were built in the year 220 and used until IV century.



PAPRAĆA MONASTERY



LOVNICA MONASTERY



TAVNA MONASTERY



SASE MONASTERY

HIT THE ROAD:

BIJELJINA, UGLJEVIK, LOPARE, ZVORNİK,
ŠEKOVIĆI, BRATUNAC, VLAŠENICA,
MILIĆI, SREBRENICA

BIJELJINA...

We recommend that you start sightseeing with a relaxed stroll down the city heart, square of King Petar I Karađorđević, where you can see piece of exquisite artistic value – monument to The King Petar I, composition where King is represented wearing a royal cape, while killing a three headed beast from his reared horse. It is a personification of three empires defeated in World War I. You can continue your stroll to The City Parliament building, built in 1912, which makes the town visually recognisable. Then you can go to the Museum of Semberija, placed in the oldest building in Bijeljina, hiding traces of ancient times inside. In the end, we recommend you visit the newly built Cultural centre with irremissible restin the City Park, so called "Lungs of the city".

Fulfil your stay in Bijeljina by visiting some of the manifestations:

- International Tourism and Gastro culture Fair "Bijeljinatorist" (May)
- International Art Colony "Brodac" (June)
- Višnjičevićdani – Days of Višnjić (November)

Magical springs...

Healing water of **Spa Dvorovi** is ideal for preventing and healing many sorts of rheumatic and other kinds of diseases. One can also enjoy all types of massages, inhalations and acupuncture. Besides, kind hosts in this spa complex offer seminar and symposium organising, presentations etc. Recreational and professional sport teams can also use sports terrains for handball, beach volleyball, basketball, fitness room, gym, tennis courts, sauna as well as one olimpic, two junior and two children's outdoor pools. Pleasant ambient of Spa Dvorovi provides great conditions for sport teams preparations as well as one-day pupils' excursions.

EXCEPTIONAL

In ethno village Stanišići, near Bijeljina, you can, at least for a brief moment, feel all the beauty and simplicity of life our grandparents used to have. Pleasant ambient and cosy atmosphere of ethno village will help you refresh your body and soul. Spiritual treasure of ethno-village can be found in monastery building dedicated to Holy Father Nicholas. In your free time, choose from one of many activities offered... learn horseback riding, enjoy horse carriage drive through plains of Semberia, ride on a small train through ethno-village, recreate in sport fields, and afterwards refresh in one of many restaurants with traditional and international cuisine.



DVOROVİ SPA

HIT THE ROAD:

RIJELJINA, UGLJEVIK, LOPARE, ZVORNIK,
ŠEKOVIĆI, BRATUNAC, VLASENICA,
MILIĆI, SREBRENICA

Interesting ...

Natural and anthropogenic values of mountain Javor are excellent conditions for active stay during the entire year. Ski centre Igrišta is placed near the main road from Belgrade to Sarajevo, only 7 km from Vlasenica. This ski centre was built in 1984, for purposes of Winter Olympics "Sarajevo '84", as auxiliary ski centre. It has 6 km of prepared ski runs and "Maple Field- Javorova Poljana"- location accustomed for beginners and youngest skiers. Ski centre has 3 ski lifts. Large ski lift, plate- shaped and small ski lifts (1 anchor- shaped and 1 shovel- shaped). Also, there are marked hiking tracks (about 150 km long) and mountain cycling tracks (about 120 km long). The configuration of the terrain allows combining of various lengths and heights.

Forest and mountain area of Majevisa hides natural breathtaking treasures. Kind members of Mountaineering Ecological Association Majevisa will take you to waterfall Skakavac, Hollow Rock (Šuplja Stijena), or Novak's cave, in three prepared circular hiking trails. Trail of love and pleasure (2 km) leads from mountain hut in Red rock to Novak's cave, Heroes' trail (5 km) leading from mountain hut to monument of the brave pilot Zoran Radosavljević, and third and longest Trail of Mountaineering Ecological Association Majevisa (25 km) leading from mountain hut via Heroes' trail, peak Orlović (523 m), Tavna monastery, waterfall Skakavac to Novak's Cave.

In the very heart of picturesque town Milići, one can visit permanent exhibition of Mining Museum, open in Miner's Home, honouring 50 years of existence of "Boksit" company. With refreshing beverage one can enjoy view of the vast forest treasure from observatory Rajko's Tower (65 m).



MOUNTAIN JAVOR



VACATION AREA MAJEVICA



LAKE PERUČAC

Clear... active... relaxing...

River Drina with its cold, clear, translucent, greenish water offers great conditions for relaxation and various water sports, rafting and sport fishing. It is very rich in fish (trout, catfish, pike, huchen, barbel...) and provides true atmosphere for fishermen. Next to Drina there are a maintained promenade, public beach, facilities for beach volleyball and football. Many events such as Zvornik Regatta or Zvornik's summer are organized on the river or on its banks.

Zvornik Lake is first accumulation on Drina River. Kayaking, canoeing, riding small boats, fishing, swimming and relaxation, are some of the activities that are offered to tourist here, and it is possible to stay in private accommodation. State kayak and canoe competition on calm waters is held on this lake.

Lake Perućac is one of the most significant hydro accumulations in the region. It is placed 30 km southeast of Srebrenica. It is navigable through its entire length, which allows tourists to sail between National Park Tara (Serbia) and protected hunting area Sušica (Republika Srpska). During the sail you can capture unique landscapes with your camera, as well as wild animals, the Serbian Spruce (Picea Omorika) and other rare specimens of flora and fauna. Sports fishing fans can visit Lake in Pelagićevo, favourite destination for many fishermen from all over the world.

For hunting enthusiasts we specially recommend photo hunting in Hunting Ground Sušica/ Srebrenica, one of the most attractive hunting grounds in Bosnia and Herzegovina. It is spread over 9000 ha and rich in: brown bear, chamois, roebuck, wolf etc... In vast forest region, canyons and curves of Drina River, with built observatories, prepared hiking trails and hunting blinds, photo hunting enthusiasts can take really breath taking photographs.

Besides Sušica, there are two more hunting regions: Semberija- Majevisa (9 hunting grounds) and Birač (8 hunting grounds and one special hunting ground).



RIVER DRINA

Fortified cities, witnesses of the past times

Exceptional feature of Zvornik is its three-piece fortress, Lower (with Town Gate), Middle and Upper Town, largest and most unique fortress in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Zvornik's fort – Đurađ's town, as one of the most valuable objects of this type in the country has been declared a National monument of Bosnia and Herzegovina. It is assumed that the fortress was built in late 13th or early 14th century. Despot Đurađ Branković occupied the fortress in 15th century so it was named after him. According to folk legend, the fortress was actually built by his wife the "Damned Jerina" by whom the town got its name. Fortress has arranged walking paths: Jerina's stone path, and Jerina's trail of passion. Kušlat is a medieval town built in XIII century. "It is a round stone town on the bank of Jadar River, on a cliff that rises up to the sky... A man does not dare to look down at the valley, where the river roars like thunder..." written by Evlija Čelebija. It is also famous for the first mosque built in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



ETHNO VILLAGE STANIŠIĆI

Clear...active...relaxing...

Forests, slopes and rich vegetation are residence of birds and wild animals, and clear streams and rivers are full with river trout and crayfish. Isn't that a challenge for hunting and fishing enthusiast? There are 9 hunting grounds in Sarajevsko-Romanijska region.



SKIING ON JAHORINA

HIT THE ROAD: ISTOČNO SARAJEVO, HAN PIJESAK, ROGATICA

Welcome to destination where you can feel the spirit of the Olympics...

Jahorina, Romanijska, Trebević, Treskavica and Ozren are part of untouched nature in the land of legends with stunning landscapes of mountains, forests, springs, clear and fast mountain waters. To be in the heart of dense forest, feel the calm and healthy mountain air, be stunned by landscapes and views from mountaintops, impressed by the sound of silence and gurgle of mountain rivers, and yet to be only an hour away from the busy city life, means to be in East Sarajevo.

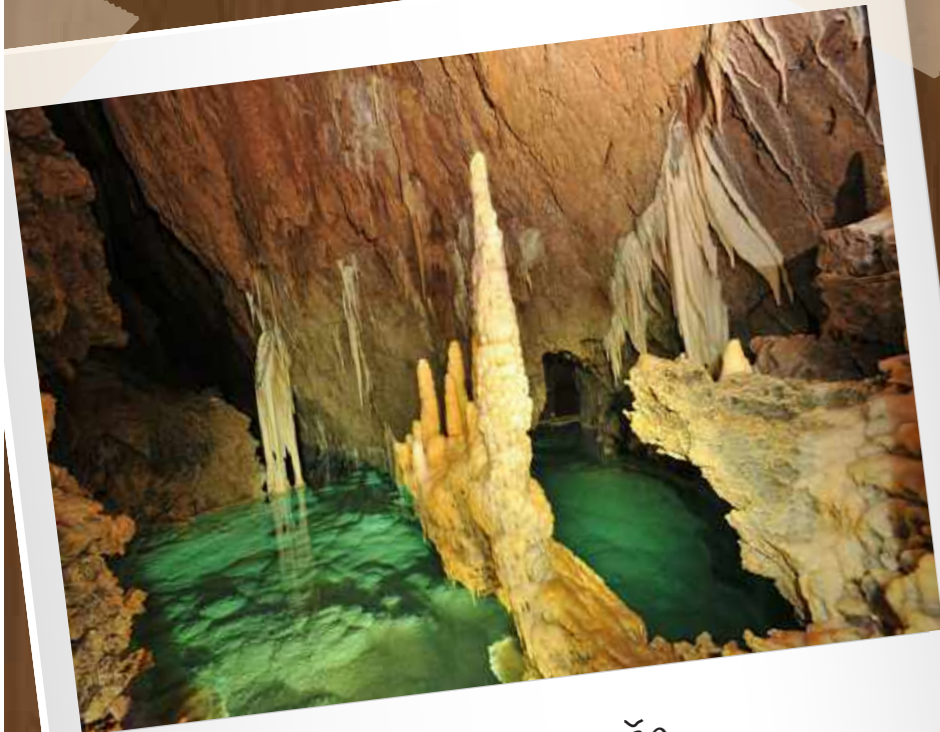
Exceptional...

Rocks and steep cliffs of Jahorina and Romanijska are true heaven for alpinists, mountaineers, paragliders, and everyone else eager of adventures.

Mountain Jahorina- queen of tourism in Srpska presents very attractive location for all types of tourism, with acceptable offer for top sportsmen and those whose senses are thriving for peace and enjoyment in natural beauty. Jahorina is Olympic mountain, where XIV Olympic Games in 1984 were held. Nowadays it represents one of the largest skiing and winter tourist centres in Balkans. It is only 28 km away from Sarajevo. When you reach the mountain, you'll find over 20 km of well-prepared ski trails with 2 six-seaters, 4 funiculars and 3 two-seaters that can carry 10000 skiers per hour. Jahorina provides many other types of recreational tourism during the rest of the year, such as paragliding, hiking, alpinism, bicycling, attractive wellness weekends in exclusive hotels...



MOUNTAIN JAHORINA



CAVES ORLOVAČA



STONE BRIDGE OVER RIVER ŽEPA



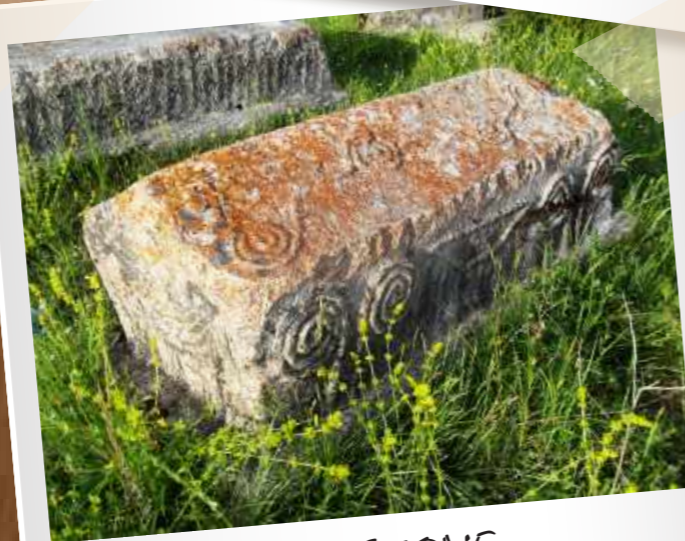
WILD HORSES



RED ROCKS, SOKOLAC



MOUNTAIN BIKING



TOMBSTONE



HORSE FARM BORIKE

HIT THE ROAD: ISTOČNO SARAJEVO, HAN PIJESAK, ROGATICA

Interesting ...

For good picnic in nature, with plenty of homemade delicacies and forest fruits, the right choice is KadinoVrelo (Kada's spring) in the upper flow of the Prača River. The legend says that local beauty Kada, long ago, had tuberculosis and was healed by drinking water from this spring.

Ride a thoroughbred Bosnian horse or a carriage? Done! Horse Farm Borike (1100 meters above sea level) in smell of surrounding pine trees, is an experience to remember.

Han Pijesak is known as air spaand because of its high concentration of ozone, takes the first place in Europe. At one time Austro-Hungarian King planned development of tourism in this area; later King Aleksandar I Karađorđević built a summer house where he used to come on vacation. Also, Han Pijesak is known as the town settled in the highest altitude (over 1000 m) in former Yugoslavia.

Secrets of the underworld...

Caves Orlovača, Ledenjača, NovakovaCave are underground pearls, challenge for speleologists, explorers, visitors. Orlovača Cave (940 m) is situated 10 km from Pale. Shapes and forms of its ornaments leave visitors breathless and it is a residence of one of the most endangered species of mammals in Europe- cave bat (microchipoptrea).

We recommend for young...

We recommend Camp fest Han Pijesak to all fans of rock and roll sound, hiking, nature and friendship. It is held in the beginning of August. More at www.kampfest.ba

Treasury

Famous stone bridge over river Žepa, which beauty was described by our Nobel Prize winner Ivo Andrić is 35 km north-east of Rogatica. Legend says that this bridge was built by student of Mimar Sinan, builder of Višegrad Bridge, by order of Mehmed-Pasha Sokolović.

Tombstones (stećci), medieval graves, with their size and decorative elements testify the strength, position, and influence of those who were buried underneath them. Numerous tombstones can be found in the area of Romanija, Podrinje and Hercegovina. Biggest necropolis is one in village Varošita (municipality of Rogatica), not far from medieval town Borča. Interesting folk legend says that famous marble tombstones were actually petrified participants of a wedding procession.

HIT THE ROAD:

FOČA, KALINOVIK, VIŠEGRAD,
NOVO GORAŽDE, ČAJNIČE

Follow the trails of history and tradition in one part of Hercegovina! Have fun and enter one of many breathtaking adventures!

National park Sutjeska is the oldest and largest national park in Bosnia and Hercegovina, founded in 1962. It is a member of European park family, EUROPARC. The most valuable natural treasure of the National Park Sutjeska is strictly protected reservation Perućica, largest and best preserved primeval forest in Europe. It is surrounded with highest mountain peaks: Maglić (2.386 m), Volujak (1.978 m) and Snježnica (1.804 m) and canyon of the river Sutjeska separates it from the Zelengora Mountain. In Tjentište, central part of Sutjeska, there is a memorial complex built in honor of the great battle of the World War II.

In the very heart of primeval forest **Perućica** is **Skakavac waterfall**, 75 meters high, and it is one of the most attractive phenomena of Srpska, which can be seen from popular Vidikovac (Dragoš Sedlo), placed in Perućica.

We suggest:

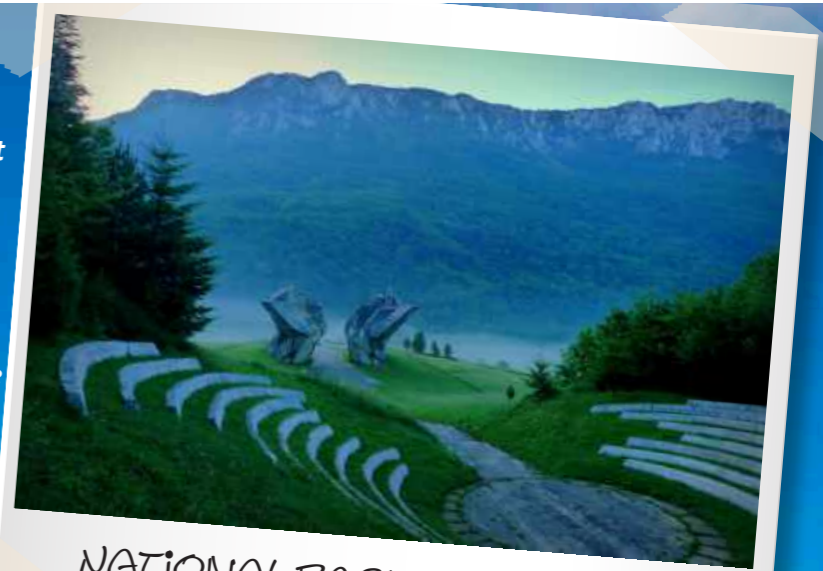
Use the daily or several day tourist tours, hiking and cycling trails to meet the very heart of primeval forest Perućica, lakes Donje and Gornje Bare, and for the most persistent lovers of adventure and camping, we suggest some of the mountain programs, hiking and climbing some of the mountain peaks.

In National Park Sutjeska there is a **Tourist Info Center** where one can rent a bicycle and ride on the neat trails through nature, and the length of the trail is 48 km.

For canyoning fans (walking through water and rapids in the river, climbing down a rope, water jumping, swimming and alpinism) top adventure is canyon of Hrčavka. It is placed in National Park Sutjeska, 13 km long, the tour lasts 5 to 6 hours and tour difficulty is medium. Wider area surrounding Foča is a paradise for fishermen and hunters, because of its animal species diversity.

“Gorskeoči” – especially charming in the mountain Zelengora are its “mountain eyes”, clear glacial lakes, placed below its peaks Gornje and Donje Bare, Orlovačko, Kotlaničko, Štirinsko, Borilovačko, Crno and Bijelo lake. On the hillsides of vast meadows and pastures, there are scattered white cottages called “katuni”.

Welcome to destination that will charm you with its natural and wild areas and attract and interest you with its rich cultural heritage. National park Sutjeska is one of the most diverse eco system complexes in Bosnia and Hercegovina area, or even Southeast Europe. This natural treasure is one of the largest and oldest national parks in Bosnia and Hercegovina, guarding treasures of the most beautiful mountains and forest clearings, glacial lakes.... Discover what is hiding in the largest preserved primeval reservation in Europe, primeval forest Perućica...



NATIONAL PARK SUTJESKA



KATUNI



FOREST PERUĆICA

HIT THE ROAD:

FOČA, KALINOVIK, VIŠEGRAD,
NOVO GORAŽDE, ČAJNIČE

Destination for fans of adventure, mountaineering, cycling, canyoning, hunting, fishing, speleology, cruising, historical monuments... with rich gastronomical offer... And that is not all! We welcome you in manner of good hosts!

Rijeka Drina - Drina nastaje na Šćepan Polju od Pive i Tare, a duga je 354 km. Kroz opštinu Foča protiče prvih 26 km njenog toka. Po mišljenju mnogih Drina je najljepša rijeka na Balkanskom poluostrvu. Ima mnogo razloga za to. Brza je i plahovita, reklo bi se divlja, čista i bistra, bogata, moćna i darežljiva. Međutim, ljepota Drine nije samo u njenoj vodi već i u pejzažima koji je okružuju: duboki kanjoni i tjesnaci, neprohodne šume, orlovi koji kruže iznad njenih klisura, sela razbacana po planinskim stranama. Kanjon Drine je drugi po veličini kanjon u Evropi.

We recommend:

For young people, fans of adventure. Get into adrenalin adventure of rafting on Tara and Drina rivers, and feel the power and strength of nature that will leave you breathless.

Don't miss the adventure of rafting on river Tara, one of top ten adventurist locations in the world, riding in boat through deepest European canyon. River Tara is one of the most beautiful rivers in Europe with 80 km long canyon. The canyon is 1300 meters deep, which makes it deepest on the Old Continent, and second deepest in the world, right after Colorado Canyon. In Foča municipality, there are 16 camps registered, with total of 1000 beds.

Youth festival OK Fest, held every year in the first weekend of July, in unique natural surroundings of National park Sutjeska, during its four day program, becomes the center of friendship, fun, creativity and youth.



RAFTING ON TARA

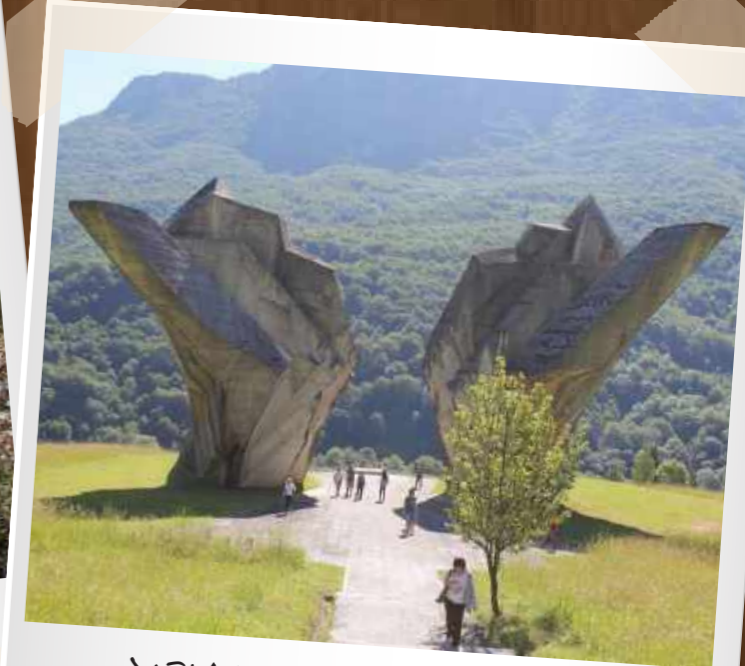
Do not miss:

If you want to rest and enjoy untouched nature, listen to the sounds of river, breathe fresh air, eat naturally prepared food and forget all your everyday life commitments, during your visit to Višegrad we suggest planning all-day trip with boat through Drina canyon. Services for organized groups are offered by boats "Zelenika", "Lotika" and "Sonja", and for individual visits it is possible to organize transport with smaller boats. When visiting this area, you should not pass a chance to ride on popular tourist train "Čiro", which will take you through beautiful natural sceneries all the way to Mokra Gora (Serbia) via Dobrun to Višegrad.

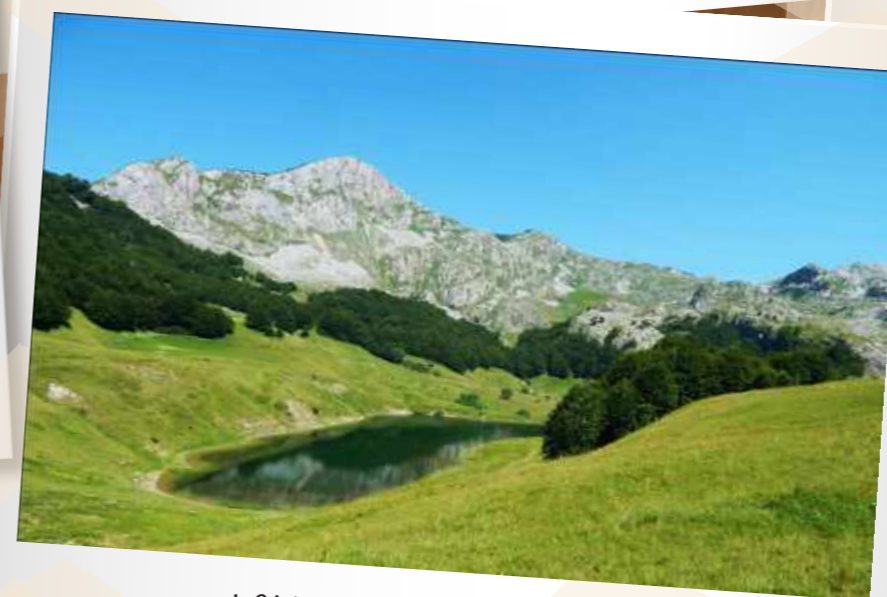
Real masterpieces of nature are certainly **Sand pyramids**, not far from Foča. Their shape looks similar to those in Colorado (USA), and Đavolja-varoš in Serbia. In 1960's parts of movies "Captain Lechi" and "Winnetou" were filmed here.



NATIONAL PARK SUTJESKA



MEMORIAL COMPLEX ON TJENTIŠTE



LAKE ORLOVAČKO



DRINA CANYON



ZELENIKA BOAT IN DRINA CANYON



SAND PYRAMIDS IN FOČA

HIT THE ROAD: FOČA, KALINOVİK, VIŠEGRAD, NOVO GORAŽDE, ČAJNIČE

Višegrad bridge, bridge that entered the legend, endowment of grand vizier Mehmed- Pasha Sokolović, who was as a boy, in name of tradition called "danak u krvi" (Turkish tradition of unwillingly taking young Balkan boys to Istanbul to become Ottoman soldiers, transl. note) taken to Istanbul, and became a vizier. Bridge was built in period from 1571 to 1577 by the most famous Turkish architect at the time, KodžaMimar Sinan. It was built in oriental style and represents masterpiece of construction of that period. In 2007 bridge was enlisted in UNESCO list of world cultural heritage. It was taken to legend directly because of our famous novelist IvoAndrić, rewarded with Nobel Prize for literature in 1961 for his novel "The Bridge on the Drina" also known as "Višegrad Chronicles".

Monastery Dobrun (XIV century), 10 km from Višegrad keeps rich history, culture and tradition of this area. Not far from the monastery there are remains of medieval fortified city Dobrun. As a part of monastery complex, there is a Museum of First Serbian uprising, gallery of paintings in Karađorđevići house, as well as Museum of Mitropolija Dabrobosanska.

Church of Rising of Holy Mother of God in Čajniče was built in the mid XIX century. Its greatest gem is one of the most beautiful and oldest kept icons in Bosnia and Hercegovina, double church icon "Čajničkakrasnica" from early XIV century.

The oldest saying about existence of clock in Bosnia and Hercegovina is related to Foča. **Clock Tower** (Satkula) is a symbol of the town at the mouth of Čehotina and Drina. It was made of stone in 1758. It is 20 m tall, has a shape of square prism, and it is endowment of Mehmed- Pasha Kukavica.

Višegrad Spa due to altitude and natural ambient where it is placed has all the characteristics of air spa. This spa is first in Bosnia and Hercegovina by radioactivity whose level is therapeutically optimal. On springs of thermal water of Višegrad spa grows an endemic species of fern "villinavlas", by which spa complex got its name from. Near the hotel "Villinavlas" there is a hamam (Turkish bath; transl. note) - Mehmed -Pasha's Bath" whose construction was ordered by Mehmed- Pasha Sokolović himself, in 1575. Hamam is functional today.



DOBRUN MONASTERY



ANDRIĆGRAD



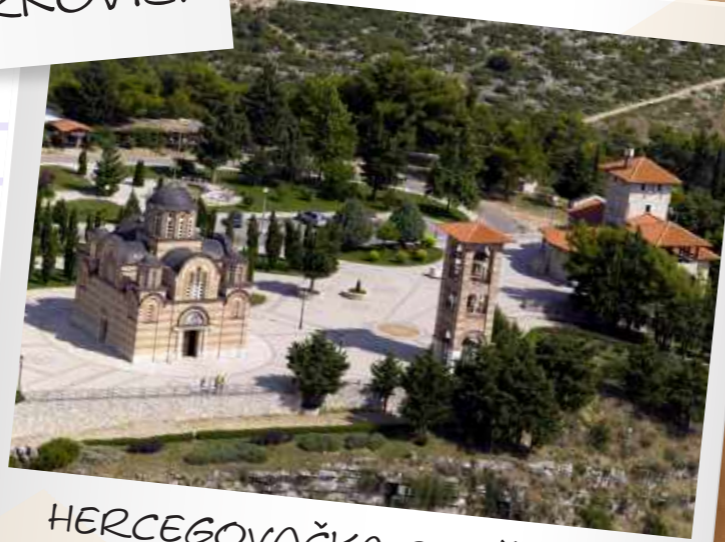
HAMAM

Andrićgrad- Višegrad is tourist, cultural, administrative and educative complex placed in the peninsula between rivers Drina and Rzava, 300 meters from Višegrad Bridge. It has become an idea of professor Emir Kusturica to build medieval stone town inspired by works and characters of Nobel prize winner, Ivo Andrić. In architectural way the town itself is mixture of different epochs and styles that left their mark through history of this area: Byzantium style, Ottoman period, renaissance, classical period.

HIT THE ROAD: TREBINJE, RILEŽA, GACKO, NEVESINJE, LJUBINJE I BERKOVIĆI

TREBINJE...

Excellent starting point to familiarize yourself with Trebinje is point seen from every part of the town- magnificent complex built in 2000- **Hercegovačka Gračanica**. It was built by wish of the poet **Jovan Dučić**, stated in his will, and his remains were moved to Church of Holy Mother of God, part of this complex on the hill Crkvina above Trebinje. There can also be seen: icon gallery, amphitheatre, library, bell tower and parish's home. When you come down from Crkvina, you can continue your tour in Old city, with Osman Pasha's Mosque (XVIII century), where on the foundation of the medieval town Austrian military barracks was built by the end of XIX century and nowadays **Museum of Hercegovina** is placed there. After the museum, you can continue your sightseeing in town core, where you can see Park of Dučić, Church of the Holly Transfiguration (beginning of the XX century), Catholic Cathedral (end of the XIX century), with unavoidable rest and refreshments in the shade of hundred- year- old plane trees. In further sightseeing tour, don't miss to look Trebinje in the mirror of Trebišnjica River from famous Arslanagića (Perovića) Bridge from XVI century.



HERCEGOVAČKA GRAČANICA
MONASTERY

Feel the primordial peace...

Most valuable spiritual and cultural treasure is hidden in monasteries of Hercegovina. **Tvrdoš Monastery** is 5 km away from Trebinje, raised on foundations of an old church and existing since classical period (IV-VI century). **Duži Monastery** (XVI-XVII century) is dedicated to shroud of Holy Mother of God. In Petro-Pavlov Monastery remains of architecture and movable archaeological material from late classical period (IV-VI century) can be found.

Village Mrkonjići is placed on the east side of Popovopolje, on the road Trebinje-Ljubinje, and Holy Father Vasilije Ostroški was born there on 28.12.1610. Temple dedicated to St Vasilije was built on foundations of his birth house.



TREBINJE- OLD TOWN



ARSLANAGIĆA/PEROVIĆA BRIDGE



HIT THE ROAD:
TREBINJE, BILEĆA, GACKO,
NEVESINJE, LJUBINJE I BERKOVIČI



VINEYARDS IN HERZEGOVINA

The oldest arch dam in Balkans/ Gacko is cultural-historical monument, protected by state. It was built from stone from Gacko and Vesuvius lava ashes used as bonding material.



WINERY VUKOJE

Following the wine trails...

First written records of Hercegovina wine date from Middle Ages, and the first contingent was exported via Trieste to Europe in 1883. First golden medals for wine quality were given in 1898 and 1901 in Vienna, 1901 in Paris and 1903 in London. Tradition of quality wines continues nowadays, which can be confirmed by quality Hercegovina wines from wine cellars of: Monastery Tvrdoš, Vukoja, Anđelić, Anđušić, Petijević, Sekulović, Popovac, Berak...

In combination with wine, as special joy to your palate, we recommend... Well-known dairy products from Gacko, cheese kept in bellows from Nevesinje, and cheese from oil, best made in Zupci, Trebinje's forest and Ljubomir.

Magical springs...

Bilečko Lake on river Trebišnjica near Bileća is largest artificial accumulation in Balkans. On the bottom of the lake there is an abandoned village, evacuated before hydroelectric power plant was built.



WINERY TVRDOŠ



TVRDOŠ MONASTERY

HIT THE ROAD: TREBINJE, RILEČA, GACKO, NEVESINJE, LJUBINJE I BERKOVIĆI

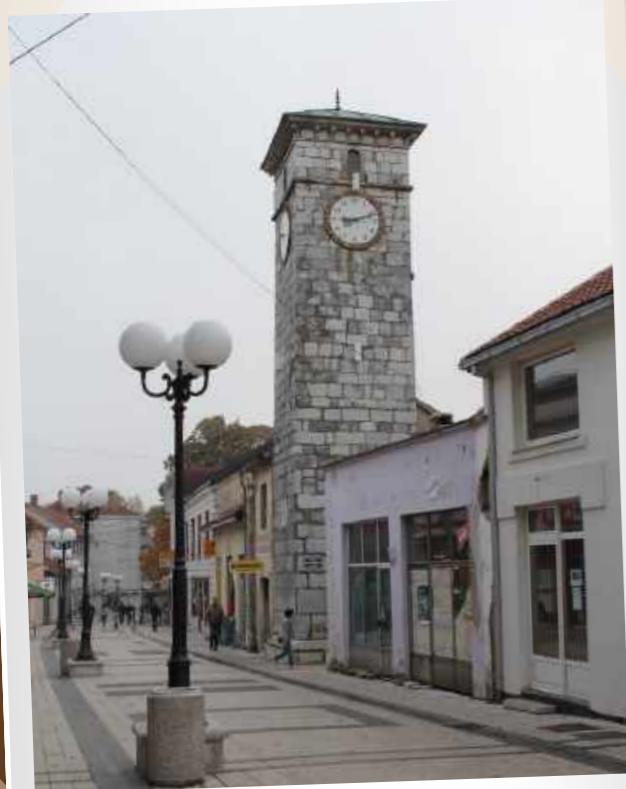
Nevesinje Rifle (The Hercegovina Uprising) is an event that put this place in general history textbooks of every country in the world. It represents rebellion and uprising of the people that soon turned into great eastern crisis- question of further remaining of Turkish Empire in Balkans. Rebellion and uprising were preceded by gathering and agreement of rulers around churches and monasteries. That was also the case before beginning of "Nevesinjerifle", at 8th of September 1874 in Church of Rising of Holy Mother of God, where it was decided that uprising should start in the following spring.



NEVESINJE OLYMPICS

We recommend unique attraction...

Nevesinje Olympics is one of the biggest attractions in Nevesinje, with history for 140 years. According to legend, it all began with horse racing as an opportunity for young men to compare their strength, skills and speed. Today with sports spirit and a bit of heroism and chivalry, professionals and amateurs compete in various disciplines, in desire to keep our ancestors' heritage from oblivion.



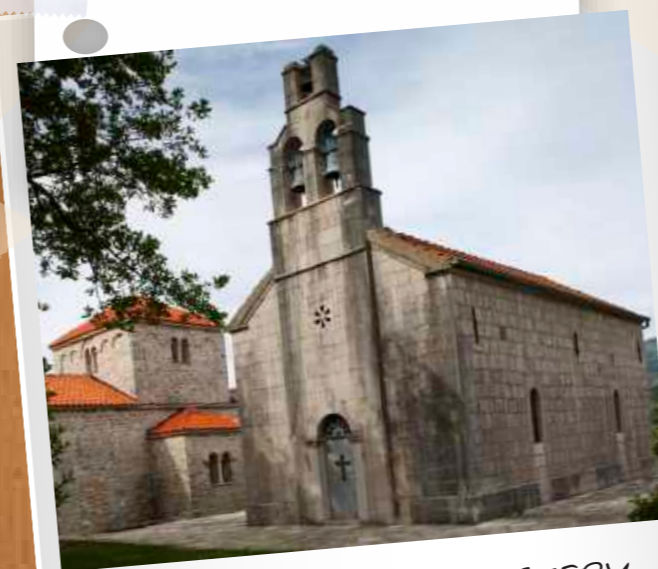
NEVESINJE



CHURCH OF SAINT VASILJE

Secrets of the underworld...

Secrets of the underworld... There is a belief that girls who wash their faces with water from cave lake, on Petrovdan- 12th of Jul, will be beautiful and attractive. Paul's Cave is situated 2 km from St Paul and Peter's monastery, with massive pillars decorated with beautiful cave jewellery and small magical lake hidden inside. According to an old legend, St Paul used to visit this cave.



PETRO-PAVLOV MONASTERY



SPORTS CAMP DEJAN BODIROGA

We recommend for the young...

Sports camp Dejan Bodiroga- is an international youth camp gathering promising young basketball players from all continents.



ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM IN DANIĆI

To feel the way people use to live in Hercegovina area, visit... permanent exhibit in Ethnographic Museum in Danići, representing lifestyle of XVIII, XIX and beginning of XX century.

Lake Klinje the first artificial lake in the Serbian Republic, is located in the municipality of Gacko, Serbian Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The lake is located in the Gacko field.

KLINJE LAKE



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