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# HERZEGOVINA

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# Introduction to Bosnia & Herzegovina

Bosnia & Herzegovina, also known as simply Bosnia, is a country located in the Balkans region of Europe. It is bordered by Croatia to the north, west, and south, Serbia to the east, and Montenegro to the southeast. Bosnia & Herzegovina is known for its rich history, natural beauty, and diverse culture.

The country has a complex history, shaped by a mix of different cultures and influences. It was ruled by the Romans, Byzantines, Ottomans, and Austro-Hungarians, among others. The most recent conflict in Bosnia & Herzegovina was the Bosnian War, which lasted from 1992 to 1995. Today, the country is a peaceful and welcoming destination for tourists.



Bosnia & Herzegovina has a moderate continental climate, with warm summers and cold winters. The best time to visit the country depends on what you're looking to do and see. The summer months of June to September are the best time to enjoy the outdoors and the natural beauty of the country. If you're interested in skiing or snowboarding, the winter months of December to February are the best time to visit.

Getting to Bosnia & Herzegovina is relatively easy, with the Sarajevo International Airport being the main point of entry. There are also a number of bus and train connections to neighboring countries, and the country can also be easily accessed by car. Once you're in Bosnia & Herzegovina, getting around is relatively easy, with a good network of buses and trains connecting the major cities and tourist destinations.

With this brief intro, we can now proceed to explore the country and the different destinations that Bosnia & Herzegovina has to offer.



# Sarajevo

Sarajevo is the capital and largest city of Bosnia & Herzegovina, located in the heart of the country. The city has a rich history and culture, having been influenced by the Ottomans, Austro-Hungarians, and modern European culture. Sarajevo is often referred to as the "Jerusalem of Europe" due to its diverse population and religious heritage.

One of the highlights of a visit to Sarajevo is the Old Town, also known as Baščaršija. This charming area is filled with narrow streets, traditional Ottoman architecture, and a bustling atmosphere. Visitors can explore the Baščaršija market, which offers a wide variety of traditional crafts and souvenirs. The Gazi Husrev-beg Mosque is also located in the Old Town and is one of the most important landmarks in Sarajevo.



Another important attraction in Sarajevo is the Sarajevo Tunnel, also known as the Tunnel of Hope. This tunnel was built during the Bosnian War and served as a lifeline for the city, connecting Sarajevo to the outside world. Visitors can tour the tunnel and learn about the important role it played during the war at the Sarajevo War Tunnel Museum.

Sarajevo is also known for its cultural heritage and offers a variety of museums, art galleries, and theaters. Visitors can also enjoy the city's nightlife, with a wide range of bars, clubs, and restaurants. Sarajevo is also an excellent base for exploring the surrounding areas, including the Olympic Mountains, the Jahorina and Bjelašnica ski resorts, and the natural beauty of the Sutjeska National Park.

Sarajevo is a must-see destination for anyone visiting Bosnia & Herzegovina.



#### Mostar

Mostar is a historic town located in the Herzegovina region of Bosnia & Herzegovina. The town is known for its Old Bridge, also known as Stari Most, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Old Bridge was built in the 16th century during the Ottoman Empire and is considered a masterpiece of Islamic architecture. Visitors can take a stroll across the bridge and admire the views of the Neretva River and the surrounding town.

The Old Town of Mostar is also worth exploring, with its traditional Ottoman architecture and charming cobblestone streets. Visitors can stroll through the Old Bazaar, which offers a wide variety of traditional crafts and souvenirs. The Koski Mehmed-Pasa Mosque is also located in the Old Town and is one of the most important landmarks in Mostar.



Another popular attraction in Mostar is the Mostar Bridge Divers, a group of local men who perform dives from the Old Bridge into the Neretva River below. The tradition of diving from the bridge dates back to the 16th century and is a must-see for visitors to Mostar.

Mostar is also known for its cultural heritage and offers a variety of museums and art galleries. Visitors can also enjoy the town's nightlife, with a wide range of bars and restaurants. Mostar is also an excellent base for exploring the surrounding areas, including the Blagaj Tekke, the Kravice Waterfall, and the Pocitelj Old Town.

Mostar is an amazing place to see for anyone visiting Bosnia & Herzegovina. Perhaps it is the most known one too.



# Jajce

Jajce is a medieval fortified town located in the central part of Bosnia & Herzegovina. The town is known for its well-preserved medieval fortress, which offers breathtaking views of the surrounding area. Visitors can explore the fortress and learn about the town's history and its significance as a medieval capital of Bosnia.

Another popular attraction in Jajce is the Pliva Waterfall, which is located just a short walk from the town center. The waterfall is one of the most beautiful and unique natural attractions in Bosnia & Herzegovina and is a must-see for visitors to Jajce. Visitors can also take a boat ride on the Pliva Lake and admire the views of the waterfall from a different perspective.



Jajce is also known for its cultural heritage, and the town center is home to several impressive buildings and monuments, including the Jajce city hall and the St. Luke's church. Visitors can also visit the Jajce Museum and the Jajce Art Gallery to learn more about the town's history and culture.

Jajce is an excellent base for exploring the surrounding area, including the Vlasic Mountain and the Travnik Old Town. Visitors can also take a day trip to the nearby Plitvice Lakes National Park, which is one of the most beautiful and popular national parks in Europe.

Jajce is the right place for you if you like medieval castles and things like that. Wait no longer and embark on an epic journey with us. Fun, guaranteed.



#### Travnik

Travnik is a historic town located in the central part of Bosnia & Herzegovina, known for its well-preserved Ottoman architecture and its strategic location on the crossroad of important trade routes. The town was once the capital of the Ottoman province of Bosnia and played an important role in the country's history.

One of the main highlights of Travnik is the Travnik Fortress, which offers breathtaking views of the town and the surrounding area. Visitors can explore the fortress and learn about the town's history and its significance as an important Ottoman military stronghold.



Another unique aspect of Travnik is its rich literary heritage, the town is known for being the birthplace of several prominent writers and poets, including Ivo Andrić, winner of the Nobel Prize in literature in 1961. Visitors can visit the Ivo Andrić Museum and the Travnik City Library to learn more about the town's literary heritage.

Travnik is also known for its natural beauty, and it's a great base for exploring the surrounding area, including the Vlasic Mountain and the Travnik Old Town. Visitors can also take a day trip to the nearby Jajce and explore the Pliva Waterfall and the Jajce Fortress.



#### Bihać

Bihac is a city located in the northwest of Bosnia & Herzegovina, known for its natural beauty and its proximity to the Una National Park. The city is situated on the banks of the Una River, which is famous for its crystal clear waters and its ideal conditions for rafting and kayaking. Visitors can take a boat ride on the Una River and admire the views of the surrounding natural beauty.

Another unique aspect of Bihac is the proximity to the Plitvice Lakes National Park, which is one of the most popular and beautiful national parks in Europe. The park is known for its 16 interconnected lakes and its system of waterfalls, which offer a unique natural experience. Visitors can take a guided tour of the park and admire the natural beauty of the area.



Bihac is also known for its cultural heritage, and the city center is home to several impressive buildings and monuments, including the Bihac Fortress and the Bihac City Hall. Visitors can also visit the Bihac City Museum and the Bihac Art Gallery to learn more about the city's history and culture.



#### Other Popular Destinations

#### Bosnian Pyramids and Visoko

The Bosnian Pyramid complex is located in Visoko, a small town located just outside of Sarajevo. The complex is believed by some to be the oldest pyramids in the world and predates the Egyptian pyramids by more than 20,000 years. The pyramids are still under excavation and visitors can take a tour of the pyramids and learn about the latest findings and theories about the pyramids' origins and purpose.



#### Stari Most (Old Bridge) in Pocitelj

The Old Bridge in Pocitelj is a medieval bridge located in the town of Pocitelj. The bridge is considered one of the most beautiful and well-preserved medieval bridges in Bosnia & Herzegovina, and it offers stunning views of the town and the surrounding area. Visitors can take a walk across the bridge and admire the views of Pocitelj's Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



#### Kravice Waterfall

The Kravice Waterfall is located near the town of Ljubuski and it's a popular destination for visitors to Bosnia & Herzegovina. The waterfall is a natural wonder and it's known for its crystal clear water and lush surroundings. Visitors can take a dip in the waterfall's pools and admire the views of the surrounding natural beauty.

These destinations offer a unique and off-thebeaten-path experience, they're not as known as the other destinations but they are definitely worth visiting.



#### Conclusion and Additional Information

Bosnia & Herzegovina is a country with a rich history, natural beauty, and diverse culture. The destinations discussed in this e-book, Sarajevo, Mostar, Jajce, Travnik, Bihac, the Bosnian Pyramids, the Old Bridge in Pocitelj and the Kravice Waterfall, are only a small sample of the many wonderful places that Bosnia & Herzegovina has to offer.

We hope this e-book has given you a taste of what you can expect on a visit to Bosnia & Herzegovina and we invite you to discover more by booking one of our tours or transfers. Our agency is dedicated to providing the best possible service and making your trip to Bosnia & Herzegovina as smooth and enjoyable as possible.



#### Additional Information

- Visa requirements: Citizens of most European countries, as well as the United States, Canada, and Australia, do not need a visa to enter Bosnia & Herzegovina for stays of up to 90 days.
- Currency: The currency used in Bosnia & Herzegovina is the Convertible Mark (BAM).
- Language: The official language is Bosnian,
  Serbian and Croatian, but most people in the tourist industry speak English.
- Safety: Bosnia & Herzegovina is generally a safe country for tourists, however, as with any destination, it is important to take normal precautions and be aware of your surroundings.

Thank you for considering Bosnia & Herzegovina as your next travel destination and we look forward to welcoming you to our country.

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