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School from Slovakia



SLOVAKIA

Slovakia, official name Slovak Republic is inland state. In the east it borders with Ukraine, in the south with Hungary, in the southwest with Austria, in the west with the Czech Republic and in the north with Poland. Slovak's capital city is Bratislava. Bratislava is the first largest city in Slovakia and the second is Košice. In Slovakia people speak Slovak language.

Area - 49 036 km²

Highest point - Gerlachovský štít (2 555 a.s.l.)

Population - 5 441 899 (2017)

Religion - Roman Catholics (62%), Protestants (6.9%), Greek Catholics (4.1%),

Calvinists (2%), Orthodox (0.9%), 13% without religion

Currency – euro (€)

President - Zuzana Čaputová

Slovak flag



Slovak emblem

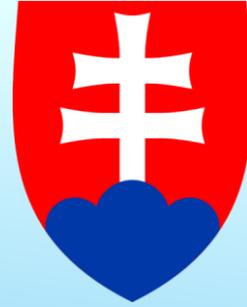


IN SLOVAKIA THERE ARE MANY BEAUTIFUL PLACES AND SIGHTS



- ▶ Slovakia has many **mountains** with majestic **peaks**,
- ▶ 9 **national parks** and 14 **protected landscape areas**,
- ▶ deep valleys and mysterious gorges, large forests which are full of life, crystal clear glacial lakes and peaceful lowland rivers,
- ▶ more than 6000 **caves**,
- ▶ more than 1300 **mineral springs** used within 21 **spa resorts**
- ▶ 180 **castles** and 425 chateaux,
- ▶ beautiful **towns**,
- ▶ the first **reservation of folk architecture** in the world
- ▶ **ski resorts**,
- ▶ near the village Kremnické Bane in Slovakia is located **the geographical midpoint of Europe**.

- ▶ **Slovak nature:** <http://bit.ly/2NmXNy3>
- ▶ **Places you have to see in Slovakia:** <http://bit.ly/2QQefJe>

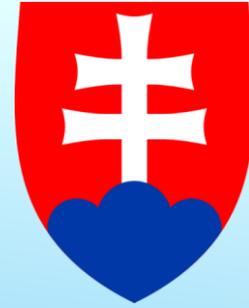


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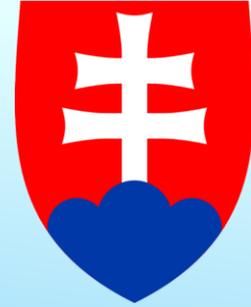
MOUNTAIN RANGE

- ▶ The largest mountain range is the **High Tatras**
- ▶ The biggest peak of the High Tatras is **Gerlachovský štít** -its height is 2654,4 metres above sea level
- ▶ The second largest mountain is **LOW TATRAS** -Ďumbier
- ▶ The third largest mountain is **ORAVSKÉ BESKYDY**-Babia hora

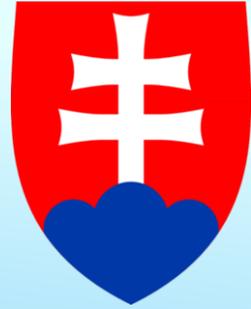


RIVERS

- ▶ **Váh** - the longest river in Slovakia
 - its length is 403 km
- ▶ **Danube** - stems in Germany and flows through Austria, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania
 - its length in Slovakia is 172 km
- ▶ **Hron** - the biggest river
 - its length is 298 km



HISTORICAL SITES UNESCO



- ▶ **Banská Štiavnica** (a former mining town) and tajchy (ancient water reservoirs around the town)
- ▶ **Bardejov** - a historic town
- ▶ Primeval beech forests in **Poloniny National Park** and **Vihorlat Mountains**
- ▶ **Spiš castle** - the biggest castle in Slovakia →
- ▶ **Wooden churches** in central and eastern Slovakia →
- ▶ **Cave Domica** - in Košice region ,many bats spend winter in it →
- ▶ **Vlkolínec**- a unique open air folk museum because some people still live there →



TRADITIONS

- ▶ folk traditions have rooted strongly in Slovakia and are reflected in literature, music, dance and architecture.
- ▶ folk dance is a part of our folklore. People wear beautiful folk costumes and they dance and sing, too.
- ▶ each region has a unique character and folklore – costumes, music, songs, architecture, customs, traditions, dances and dialects



SLOVAK TRADITIONAL FOOD

KAPUSTNICA

cabbage soup - used fermented cabbage, smoked meat, dried forest mushrooms, prunes, sausage and some flour and sour cream



BRYNDZOVÉ PIROHY

pasta filled with mashed potatoes, served with cream and fried bacon and onion



BRYNDZOVÉ HALUŠKY

potato dumplings with sheep cheese and bacon (halušky)



ZAMAGURIE

- ▶ is the smallest out of all tourist regions in Slovakia
- ▶ surrounded by the district of Stará Ľubovňa and the district of Kežmarok, from the northern part by the state border with Poland, the rivers Dunajec and Poprad, the Natural Park of Pieniny and Ľubovnianska vrchovina (Ľubovnianska Hills) and in the southwestern part by the mountains of Spišská Magura
- ▶ with its unusual richness of natural beauties, historical monuments and unique architecture with lively folk traditions of local population of the Gorals it charmed lots of admirers.
- ▶ The most attractive place for tourists is the village Červený Kláštor (Red Monastery). The origin of its name comes from the monastery (with red rooftops) which was founded by Cartesian monks in the beginning of the 14-th century.
- ▶ From the protected natural areas of the region of Zamagurie we need to mention Haligovské skaly (Haligovské Rocks) - the national natural reservation, Aksamitka - a biggest cave of Pieniny, Kamienska tisina - the national natural reservation with the appearance of yew trees, Litmanovský potok - a creek of Litmanová, Jarabinský prielom (a canyon valley with 5 cascades and 6 m wide and 3 m deep whirls).
- ▶ The symbol of the region of Zamagurie is the wild and picturesque Natural Park of Pieniny.
- ▶ There is a chance for bathing, swimming, fishing, skiing in winter. You also can bike through the area using the marked trails for bicycles.

Červený Kláštor



Haligovské skaly



PIENINY NATIONAL PARK

- ▶ The National Park of Pieniny (PIENAP) is the smallest of the Slovak National Parks.
- ▶ It is the second oldest park in Slovakia.
- ▶ It stretches on the border with Poland;
- ▶ the river Dunajec passes through it.
- ▶ It is possible to hire a raft and admire the wonderful scenery of
- ▶ the Park navigating down the river.



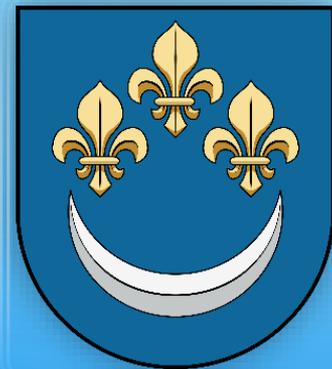


Červený Kláštor - Pieniny national park

SPIŠSKÁ STARÁ VES

Spišská Stará Ves is the third smallest town in Slovakia. It's located in northeastern Slovakia in region of Zámagurie. In 2017 the population was 2277 people and the area is 1753 hectares big. It has two parts: Spišská Stará Ves and Lysá nad Dunajcom.

In Lysá nad Dunajcom there is a border crossing with Poland, but without border control, as since 21 December 2007 Slovakia and Poland have been part of the Schengen area.





HISTORY

- ▶ The first epistolary mention of this township comes from 1308, under the title “Antiqua Villa”.
- ▶ In the 14th century Spišská Stará Ves become a town of handcrafts and commerce.
- ▶ In 1710 there bursted plague out and two years later the town almost burned.
- ▶ During the last blaze all the houses burned up and so did the church steeple.

WE HAVE IN OUR SMALL TOWN

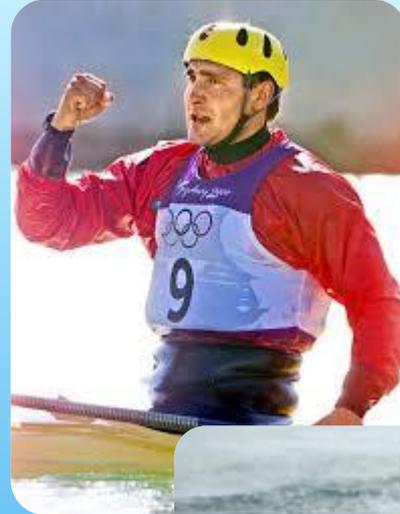
- ▶ The Church of Assumption of Virgin Mary
- ▶ primary, grammar school and kindergarten, art school
- ▶ Gallery of Ferdinand Katona
- ▶ Museum of Pieniny national park
- ▶ Memorial to the victims of the WWII
- ▶ town park
- ▶ Factory Zastrova
- ▶ Health centre
- ▶ Retirement home
- ▶ Municipal library
- ▶ Police Department
- ▶ Restaurants Nova, Tri Koruny and Taverna and some pubs
- ▶ Guest houses
- ▶ Various shops



FAMOUS PEOPLE FROM OUR TOWN

- ▶ Juraj Minčík
- ▶ bronze medalist in Sydney in 2000 in canoe slalom C1

- ▶ Cousins Peter and Ladislav Škantár
- ▶ gold medalists in Rio de Janeiro in 2016 in canoe slalom C2



GRAMMAR SCHOOL SPIŠSKÁ STARÁ VES

The management of high school in Stará Ľubovňa opened in year 1957 grammar school in Spišská Stará Ves. Our grammar school has 13 classrooms and gym but only 7 classrooms are used nowadays. Currently there are 76 students and 13. It is one of the smallest grammar school in the state but we achieve one of the best results in different activities.

Our success in competitions

Our students have won a lot of competitions. Chess, Aliante 2008, International physical online competition “Fyzikláni”, Informatics competition iBobor, Mathematical the Olympics PANGEA, Pytagoriáda, SOČ – secondary technical activity, Programme competition IHRA, The Olympics – geographic, chemical, mathematic, physical, informatics, in foreign languages, in Germanic language, in English language, Athletics, Football, Badminton, Table tennis, Volleyball, Cross-country running.

And some video about life in our small school :)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rWqNB_zSQMk



OUR ACTIVITIES

Skiing course - one week in High Tatras or Stará Ľubovňa



Swimming course- in Hotel Eland



Theatre performance - in the Theatre in Spišská Nová Ves



Matriculation = cechovačka, accept new students into our community. Students must do crazy exercises. After matriculation we have disco party.



- European week of sport
- To school by bike
- Sauna
- European day of languages
- English week
- Prom

- The day of grammar school
- Grammar school ball
- Celebration of the end of the school year

KOŽAZ- hike in High Tatras



Christmas “academy”



Educational excursion in Paris



Project “All Star School”



Hike to “Tri koruny”



Sport competition



Castle

The Stará Ľubovňa castle was built by the Hungarian king Ondrej III. in the end of the 13th century. The first written mention of the castle is from 1311. This castle was designed to protect trade routes to Poland. It is located on a limestone hill (585 m.s.l.) above the Stará Ľubovňa town and the Poprad river.

Stará Ľubovňa is a small town (the population is only about 16 000) which is 34 km far from our school in Spišská Stará Ves. The castle is partially preserved and reconstructed. In the past it was the seat of rich families, a marketplace and its part was a prison with torture chamber. Now there is museum exposition, there are organized many cultural events as theater and falcon performances.

The oldest part of the castle is a circle tower with massive pillars and also an adjacent gothic palace. Together with the newer palace they are part of upper castle and the courtyard.

The Stará Ľubovňa castle before the reconstruction in 1950s.

Dots show 3D reconstruction

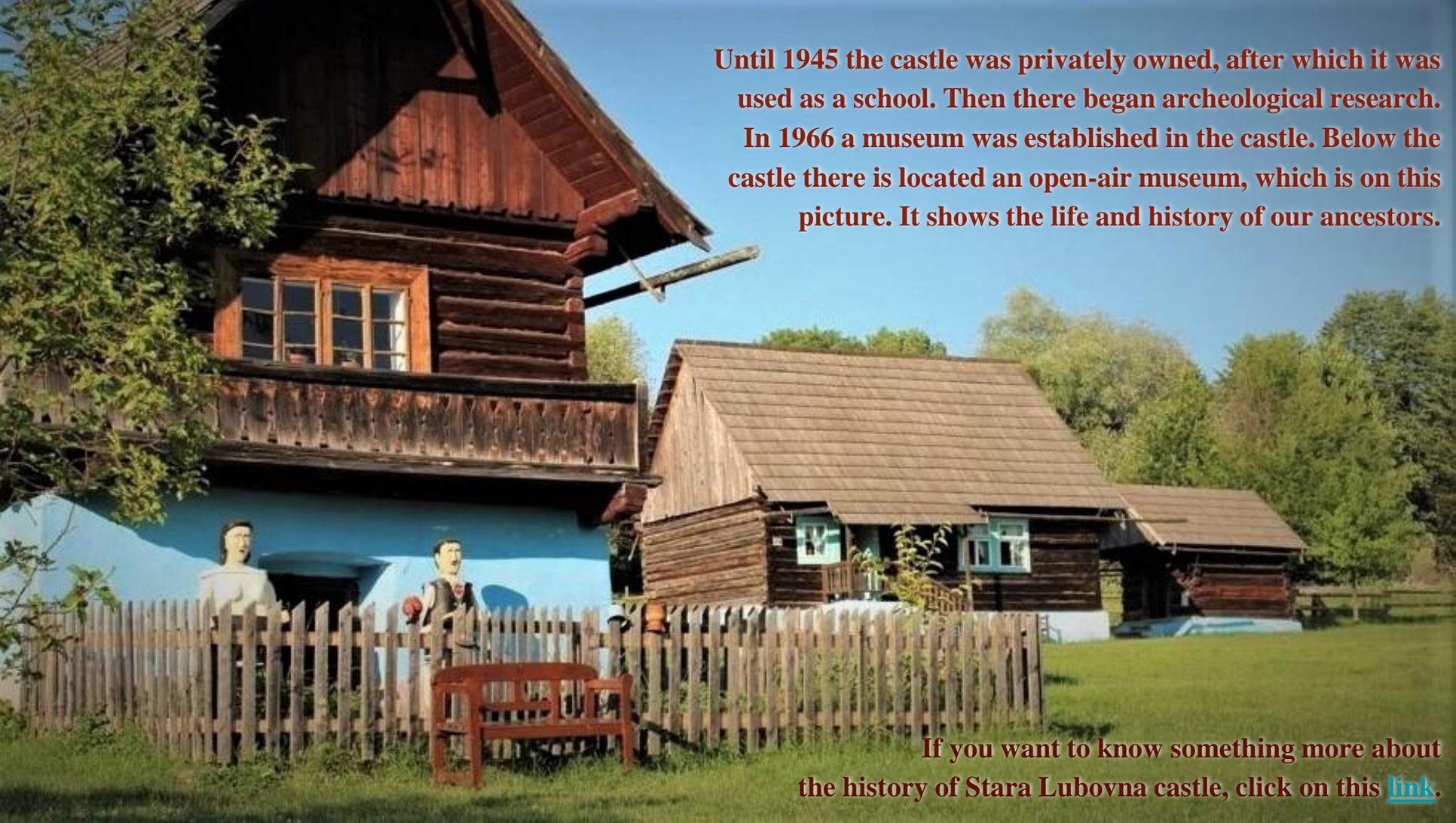




falcon performance

In the area of the castle grows a large linden tree with a trunk circumference of 450 cm, a height of 25 m and an estimated age of 350 - 400 years. As well as the horse-chestnut alley, which consists of 23 horse-chestnut trees with an average trunk circumference of 198 cm.





Until 1945 the castle was privately owned, after which it was used as a school. Then there began archeological research. In 1966 a museum was established in the castle. Below the castle there is located an open-air museum, which is on this picture. It shows the life and history of our ancestors.

If you want to know something more about the history of Stara Lubovna castle, click on this [link](#).

Let's watch the video about Stará Ľubovňa
castle :)



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We are looking forward to seeing you in Slovakia :)

