



# **INSIGHT...**

Belgrade is the capital of Serbia, with a population of around 1.7 million.

Belgrade is the capital of Serbian culture, education, science and economy. As a result of its tumultuous history, Belgrade has for centuries been home to many nationalities, with Serbs of the Orthodox Christian religion making up the majority of the population (90%). The official language is Serbian, while visitors from abroad can use English as a means of communication.

Serbian territory lies on the intersection of two important European corridors, 7 - the River Danube and 10 - the international highway and railroad, providing excellent connections with Western Europe and the Middle East. In terms of the infrastructure developments, the corridor 11 that connects Belgrade with Montenegrin coast is currently under construction.

The climate in Belgrade is a moderate continental one, with an average daytime temperature of 11.7°C. The usual summer temperatures range between 25 to 30°C, while winter temperatures range between 0 and 5°C.

Belgrade is in the Central European Time (CET) zone (GMT+1 hour). Summer time (GMT+2 hours) lasts from the end of March until the end of October.



Belgrade railway junction is an intersection where 7 main railway lines are carrying international traffic and 5 local lines meet

Nikola Tesla Airport is equipped to handle 5,000,000 passengers annually and is connected via regular routes to 70 destinations worldwide, served both by local carriers and by 34 foreign airlines.

The official currency is the dinar (RSD), but Euros can be exchanged freely.

The Belgrade area code for domestic calls is 011 and for international calls +381-11

Belgrade is characterized by south-eastern wind – kosava, blowing 2 to 3 day intervals.

Belgrade and Berlin are the only capitals in Europe through which 2 large rivers pass. The length of Belgrade riverbanks is 200 km.

# DISCOVER BELGRADE ROOTS...

Belgrade is one of the oldest cities in Europe, with a known history spanning some 7000 turbulent years.

Ancient sources mention the oldest known name for Belgrade -Singidunum. During the 6th century the Slavs, taking advantage of the weaknesses in the border defences of the Byzantine Empire, crossed the Danube in great numbers and settled in this area.

The town, built of stone, which emerged above the river, was called the White City (Beligrad).

Through the history of Belgrade, the tracks of building and demolishing were left by the Celts, Roman and Byzantine Empires, medieval Hungary, Ottoman Empire, Habsburg Monarchy, Serbs and the 'Yugoslavs'.

Its 'invisible' history is yet to be revealed...

Belgrade as a grid of allies, dark streets and vaults, cobbled and macadam streets, fences and huts – antiquities, sometimes not respected enough. They are all over the place, but unnoticed for many, among buildings and skyscrapers, boulevards and parks...They unveil the spirit of this cosmopolitan city, in which East and West melt in perfect harmony.





Belgrade is the city for which most battles were fought, as well as the city with most symbolic names.

The Saint's Day of Belgrade is The Ascension of Jesus Christ - Spasovdan, when a religious procession passes through the city center. Patron Saint of the city is Holy Mother of God.

The first destination your Belgrade hosts will take you to is probably the Bohemian quarter, Skadarlija. Once you have experienced Belgrade's Bohemian spirit, further exploration of the city will be much easier and more enjoyable.

# FEEL THE SPIRIT...

Belgrade is the center of culture and art of Serbia. It is Belgrade where our most notable artists create, where over 11,000 theatrical performances, exhibitions, concerts, performance events, and other artistic programs are presented. Belgrade is the center of the highest state and national institutions of culture and art: Serbian Academy of Arts and Sciences, the National Library of Serbia, the National Museum, the National Theatre and the University of Arts.

It is Belgrade where the most significant works of architecture are located, with Kalemegdan accommodating Belgrade Fortress, cultural monuments and other immovable cultural treasures, numerous archeological sites with remnants of developed civilization from prehistory until this day.

Belgrade Fortress, located at the confluence of the Rivers Sava and the Danube, is the symbol of Belgrade history and culture. Consisting of two parts, Upper and Lower Town, surrounded by Kalemegdan Park, it has beautiful panoramic view.



Also, the master piece of Ivan Mestrovic, monument Pobednik (the Victor), located in Belgrade Fortress is a symbol of victory against Otoman and Austrian-Hungarian Empire during the Balkan Wars and frequently used as a symbol of Belgrade.



The City of Belgrade is the founder of 11 cultural events (FEST, BITEF, BEMUS, BELEF, International Competition of Music Youth, Festival of Documentary and Short film, October Salon, Joy of Europe, Belgrade Book Fair, Sopot Film Festival, Belgrade Jazz Festival), and also the supporter of 69 events in the field of culture performed in Belgrade.

A specialty of Belgrade are undoubtedly rafts turned into floating clubs and are anchored at the riverbank. Most of them are open until the early morning hours. There are many, many of them and they come in all shapes and sizes. Definitely an experience you should not miss.

If there's one thing that Belgrade does not lack, it is places to go out. In fact, the nightlife here is probably on a par with much bigger (and far more popular!) cities.



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## **THEATRES**



# **MUSEUMS**

Did you know? The National Museum

is the oldest museum in Serbia established in 1844. The most significant Cyrillic script stored in museum is Miroslav Gospel.

# TASTE SOME TRUE SERBIAN CUISINE

There is a cult place that embodies the Serbian way of life, a place that is at the same time:

a chief source of news - a place where all sorts of information are exchanged

a second home a place where one spends more time than at home

a second office
- a place where
most business
deals are
concluded

This place is called a KAFANA!

Luckily, Belgrade has a lot of 'kafane', though some people get carried away and call them 'restaurants', or they are fashionably referred to as 'cafés' and 'clubs'. Yet, in the end. it comes down to the same thing: every one of Belgrade's citizens has at least one kafana that they can call their own. Actually, it is probably more precise to say that every kafana has its own Belgrader, together with the odd foreign guest, as is the custom of a hospitable city.

An important tip for first-time visitors to Belgrade - paying the bill is a big part of our local culture. Your host will never allow you to pay for dinner or drinks, as such it is best not to even attempt it! Also, don't forget, when making a toast in Serbia, make direct eye contact and say 'Živeli!' ('Cheers!')

Also do not be surprised to find out that Serbs always kiss three times.





## A FEW RECIPES

#### Serbian Cheese Pie Gibanica

1 packet filo dough; 500 gr low fat cottage cheese; 500 gr full fat cottage cheese; 5 eggs; 1 tsp salt; 1/2 a cup of oil (sunflower, or other light-tasting oil); 1 cup of milk; 1/2 a cup of buttermilk; 20 gr butter; 1 tbs milk

Two types of cottage cheese give a special flavor to this exquisite traditional pie.

Serve warm with a glass of sour milk or beer.

#### **Ajvar Pepper Sauce**

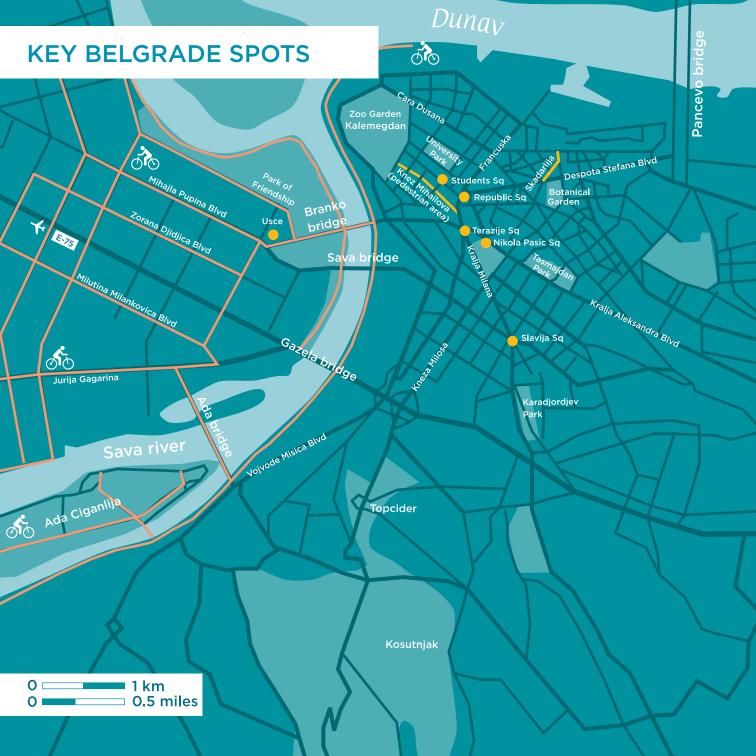
Pronounced /Eye-var/, this dish is made of roasted Peppers and Eggplant. Fresh ajvar is always made during the late summer and early autumn, just after the pepper harvest--when many households also can or bottle their own ajvar for use throughout the year.

#### **Plum Dumplings**

Plum Dumplings are a treat many people have never had. Plump potato dough surrounding a pitted plum with sugar and cinnamon, and swimming in buttered bread crumbs. Some men have contests to see how many they can consume at a sitting. Thirty is not unheard of, though four is a usual serving. You cannot eat just one.



Do not miss Serbian plum brandy Sljivovica, one of the strongest liquors in the world.



# **DON'T MISS...**

#### **ADA CIGANLIJA**

Located in the Sava River's course, Ada Ciganlija is the former river island artificially turned into a peninsula. At the same time this is the name for a large lake surrounded by beaches, sports grounds and cycling tracks. Also known as "Belgrade sea", Ada represents the recreation area with numerous sports facilities and at the same time place for resting and swimming.



#### **AVALA**

Avala is the mountain in Belgrade (511 m) located on south-eastern corner of the city, approximately 16 km from the Belgrade downtown. At the same time, Avala represents a national park, with more than 600 plant species.

Also, Avala TV tower, with 203 m, is the tallest construction in Serbia and one of the most recognizable symbols of Belgrade. The tower is open for visitors who can enjoy the beautiful panoramic view.



#### **KOSUTNJAK FOREST**

Kosutnjak is a park-forest in Belgrade, located between the municipalities of Cukarica and Rakovica, occupying 33 ha. This is the most popular place for picnics, relaxation and sports activities. A lot of playground courts for volleyball, football, basketball are located here. The perfect place for barbecue and family gathering.

#### **BELGRADE ZOO GARDEN**

Located in a heart of the city center near Kalemegdan Fortress, Belgrade Zoo Garden occupies approximately 7 ha. This s one of the most preferred places in the city, with a spirit and long tradition. With more than 2,000 animals and 270 species this is the favorite place not only for kids but adults too.

#### Did you know?

Belgrade Zoo Garden is worldwide famous as the center for white lions reproduction. In 2005, white lions named Masa and Vambo arrived from South Africa to Belgrade Zoo Garden. Today, several white lions from Belgrade are part of Zoo's in both, Europe and America, attracting numerous visitors.

#### **RESTAURANTS**

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1. ANTICIPATE the summer atmosphere at BELEE www.belef.rs

2. BUY literary gems at the Belgrade Book Fair beogradskisajamknjiga. com

3. CATCH a prize fish at the Ada Safari lake www.adasafari.co.rs

4. CHEFR on international sporting stars at the Belgrade Arena

www.starkarena.co.rs

5. CHOOSE one of the 45 trade fairs held at the Belarade Fair www.sajam.rs

> 6. CONQUER the summit of Mt Avala www.avalskitorani.rs

7. DANCE and enjoy extraordinary performance at Belgrade Dance Festival belgradedancefestival.com

8. DISCOVER the archaeological site at Vinca www.belgradeeye.com

9 FNJOY the performances of great stars at the Sava Centre www.savacentar.net

10. EXPERIENCE an unforgettable New Year's celebration in Belgrade www.newyearinserbia.com

11. EXPLORE your favorite historical site in Belgrade www.arhiv-beograda.org

12. FEED your soul at concerts of the Belgrade Philharmonia www.bgf.rs

13. FEEL the spirit of Byzantium and the Orthodox faith www.spc.rs

14. FIND out what is written in the books in the Belgrade libraries

15. FLIRT with Belgrade girls at Fashion Week belgradefashionweek.com

16. FLY by balloon 1,000 m above Belgrade www.baloncentar.com

17. FOLLOW new theatrical trends at BITEF www.bitef.rs

18. GET to know the 333 culturally important buildings of Belgrade belgradeheritage.com

19. HAVE FUN in the night clubs, discos and bars www.beogradnocu.com

20. INDULGE yourself at the Mikser Music Festival www.mikser.rs

21. INVESTIGATE the stormy history of the Belgrade Fortress beogradskatvrdjava.co.rs

22. JOIN the children of Europe in the Joy of Europe Festival www.dkcb.rs/joy-ofeurope/ 23. LEARN why many foreign students study in Belgrade www.studybelgrade.com

24. LISTEN to classical and ethno music at BEMUS www.bemus.rs

25. LOOK at the art and design at the October Salon www.oktobarskisalon.org

26. MAKE sure you don't miss the exhibitions in Belgrade's 74 galleries www.galerijamaticesrpske.rs

27. PLAY 18 holes of golf www.golfclub.co.rs

28. PURCHASE works of art in Belgrade's galleries www.ulupuds.org.rs

29. REFRESH yourself in your favourite Belgrade cafe www.horecabar.com

30. RIDE your favourite horse at the Belgrade Hippodrome hipodrombeograd.com

31. ROAM the nights amongst the stars at Astronomical Observatory of Belgrade www.aob.rs

32. RUN in the Belgrade Marathon www.bgdmarathon.org

33. SAIL down the Sava and Danube Rivers in Belgrade tourist boat www.tob.rs

34. SEE the collection of the world famous scientist Nikola Tesla www.tesla-museum.org

35. SIP a cold beer at

Belgrade Beer Festival www.belgradebeerfest.com

36. SOAK up the hospitality and friendliness of the people of Belgrade www.aboutbelgrade.com

37. SPEND a pleasant evening in one of the 18 theatres www.pozorista.com

38. START a business in

the City of the Future in Southern Europe www.ras.gov.rs

39. SWIM in numerous pools at Belgrade's sports centers www.tasmajdan.rs

40. TASTE grilled specialities in the Bohemian quarter of Skadarlija www.izlazak.com

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42. TOUR the Cathedral of Saint Sava www.hramsvetogsave.com 43. TRY out Bowling at Coloseum Bowling Center colosseumbowling.com

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www.zeleznicesrbije.com

45. TREAT yourself with an excursion in the surrounding area of Belgrade www.serbia.travel

46. VIEW films at one of the many festivals www.fest.rs

47. VISIT some of the 40-or-so museums in Belgrade www.narodnimuzej.rs

48. WALK round the Royal Palace complex in Dedinje www.royalfamily.org

49. WATCH the football derby between Red Star and Partizan squads www.crvenazvezdafk.com

50. WIN at go-carting www.adakart.rs

51. WANDER about the numerous museums within the enchanting Museums Night Festival www.nocmuzeja.rs

52. WORK OUT at the 60 sports facilities in Ada Ciganlija www.adaciganlija.rs



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