

SLOVENIA

SLOVENIA IS A SMALL EUROPEAN COUNTRY
LYING BETWEEN THE ALPS AND THE
MEDITERRANEAN SEA.



SLOVENIA BECAME INDEPENDENT STATE IN 1991.



THE PRESIDENT IS MR. BORUT PAHOR.



THE CAPITAL CITY IS LJUBLJANA.
IT IS THE LARGEST CITY IN SLOVENIA.



OTHER LARGE CITIES ARE

-CELJE,

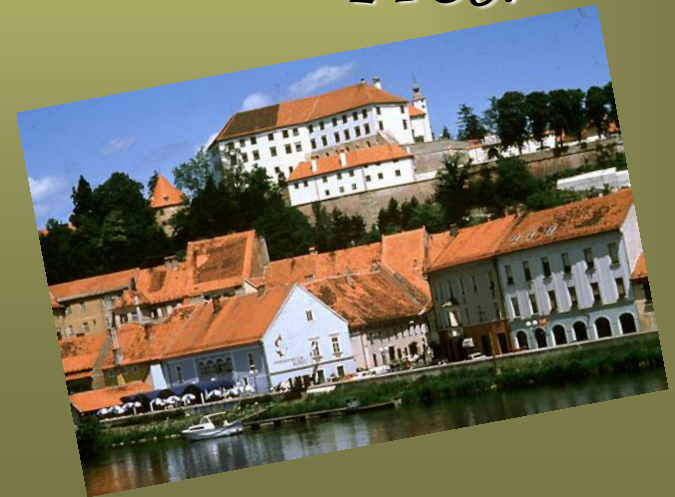


- MARIBOR,



-PTUJ.

-KOPEL.



SLOVENIA'S POPULATION IS ABOUT 2
MILLION.



THE SLOVENE FLAG IS OF WHITE, BLUE AND RED COLOUR AND IT HAS GOT SLOVENE COAT-OF-ARMS IN THE UPPER LEFT PART OF THE FLAG.



THE CURRENCY USED
IN SLOVENIA IS
EURO(€). It has been in
use since 2007.



THE GREATEST SLOVENE POET IS FRANCE
PREŠEREN.



HE WROTE THE
SLOVENE NATIONAL
ANTHEM –
ZDRAVLJICA.

(ENG. *A TOAST*)

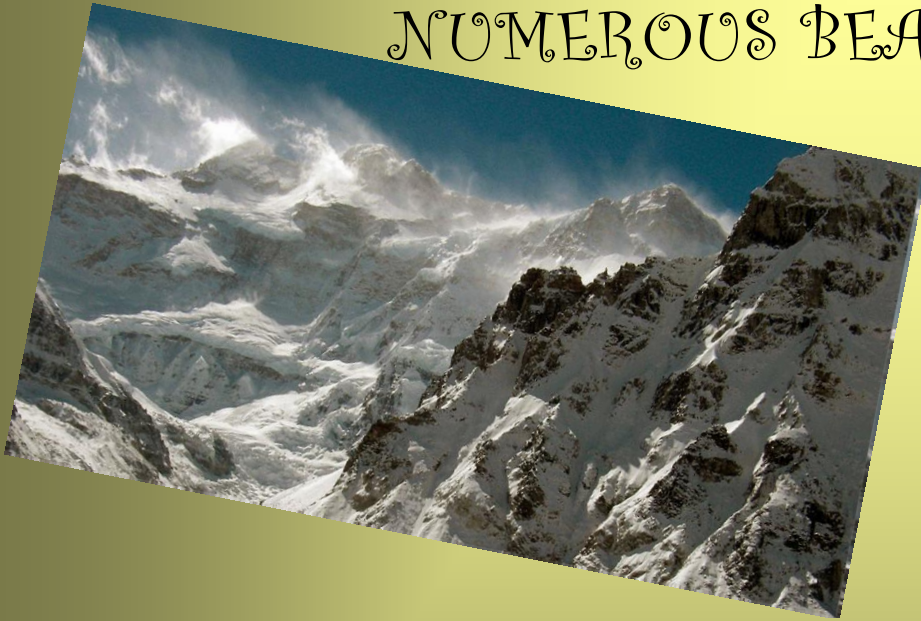


THERE IS A PORTRAY OF
PREŠEREN ON THE 2
€ COIN.

SOME OTHER FAMOUS SLOVENES ARE:

- Primož Trubar - a writer of the first Slovene printed book,
- Jernej Kopitar - a 19th century scholar and linguist, the author of the first Slovene scientific grammar book written in German language
- Anton Slomšek - a bishop, a writer, promoted the importance of the Slovene language as a mother tongue
- Jože Plečnik - an architect,
- Ivan Cankar - a writer, playwright, a poet
- Černigoj, Mušič, Slana, Grohar, Kobilica, Jama, Strenen, Jakopič - painters
- Bothers Ipavec, Gallus - composers
- Edvard Rusjan - a pilot
- Fritz Pregl - a chemist and a nobel prize winner
- Joseph Štefan - a physicist
- Jurij Vega - a mathematician
- Štiglic, Klopčič, Cvitkovič - film directors
- Herman Potočnik - a rocket engineer

SLOVENIJA IS A SMALL COUNTRY BUT IT HAS
NUMEROUS BEAUTIFUL PLACES.



THE LONGEST RIVER IN SLOVENIJA IS
SAVA. IT'S 221 km LONG.



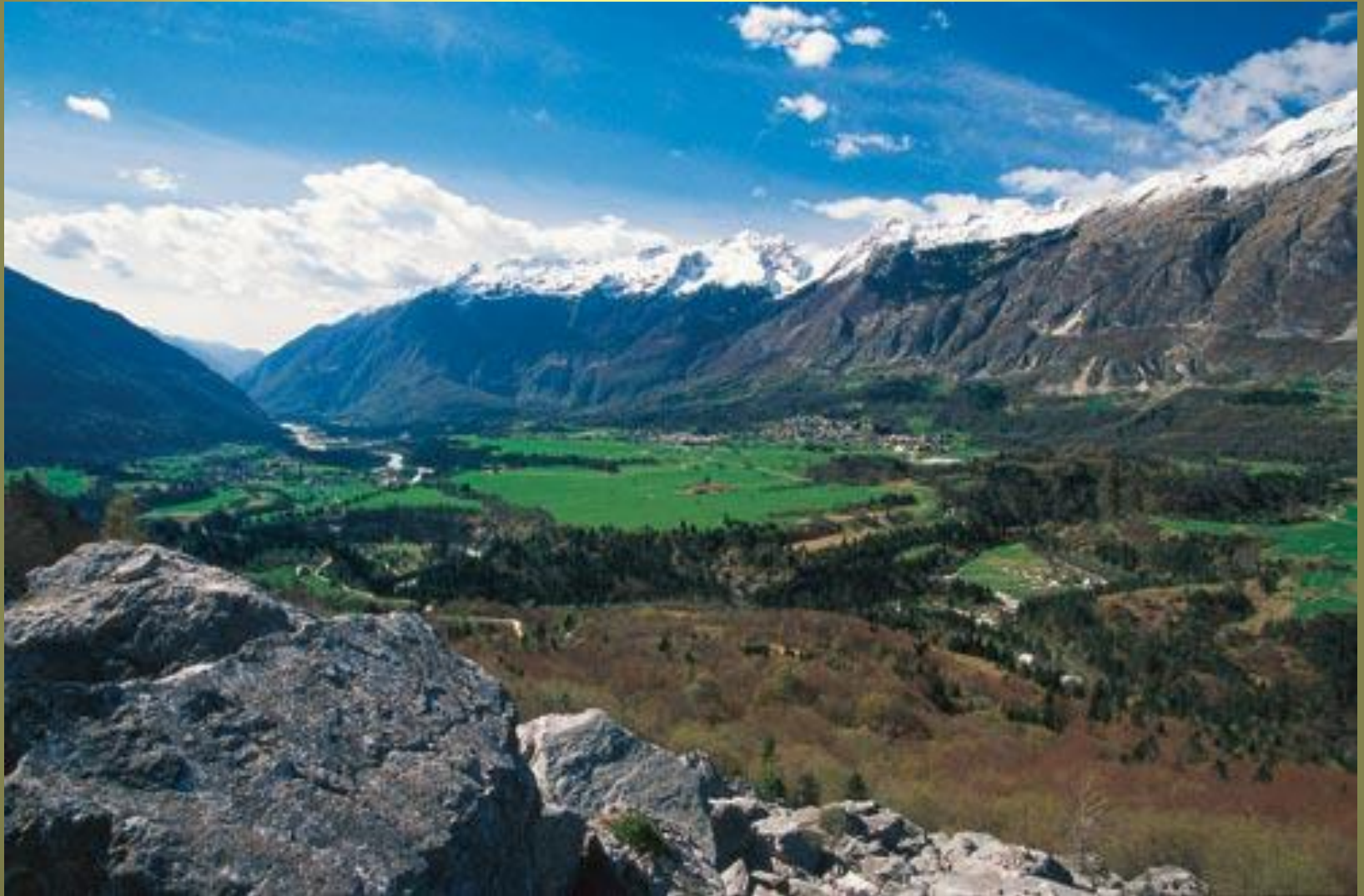


THE HIGHEST
MOUNTAIN IN
SLOVENIA IS TRIGLAV.
IT IS 2864 m HIGH.



THERE IS THE
ALJAZ TOWER
ON THE SUMMIT
OF THE TRIGLAV
MOUNTAIN.

THE BREATHTAKING TRIGLAV NATIONAL PARK
COVERS 880 KM².





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THE LARGEST LAKE IS BOHINJ LAKE.
IT IS A GLACIER LAKE.



LAKE BLEĐ WITH AN ISLAND IN THE MIDDLE
IS A POPULAR TOURISTIC DESTINATION.

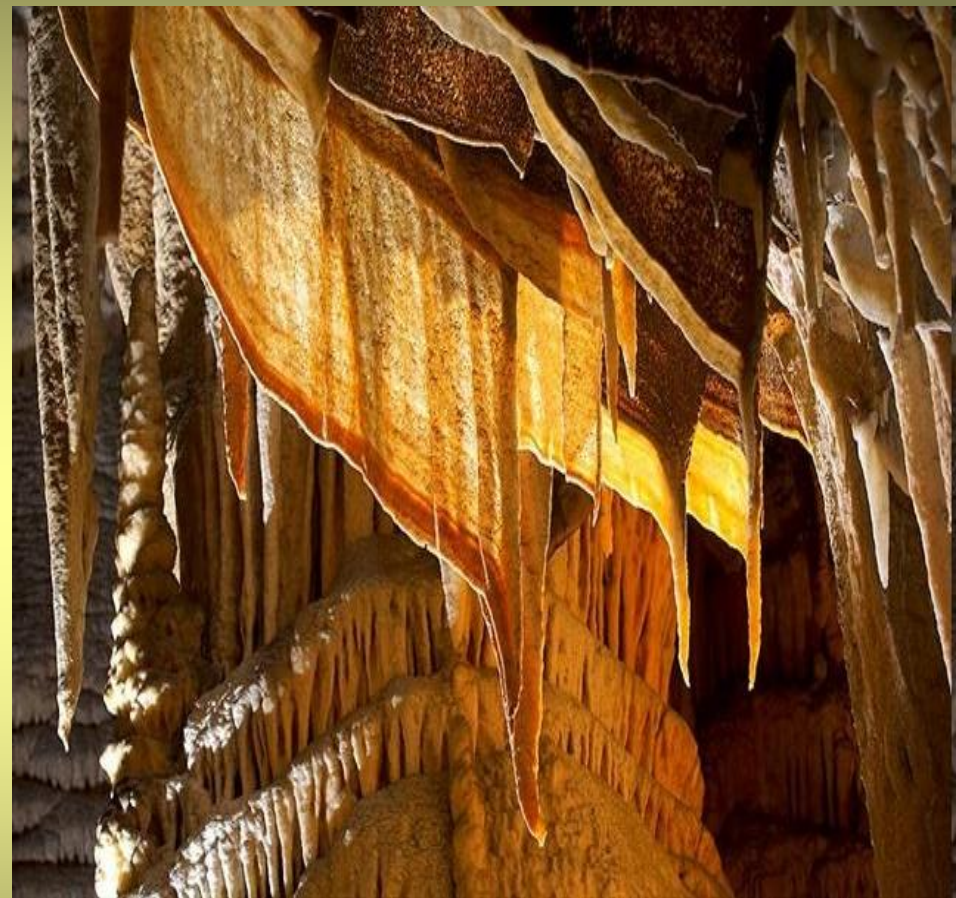


THE BEST WAY TO GET TO AN ISLAND IS BY
THE TRADITIONAL BLEĐ BOAT CALLED
“Pletna”.



SLOVENIA HAS GOT A LARGE CAVE SYSTEM
(about 7,500 known and explored Karst caves). THE
BIGGEST CAVE IS POSTOJNA.







THE ŠKOCJAN
CAVES ARE SO
GORGEOUS
THAT THEY
HAVE BEEN
UNDER THE
PROTECTION
OF UNESCO
SINCE 1986.

SLOVENIA HAS GOT ABOUT 300
AMAZING WATERFALLS.



ABOUT 60% OF THE COUNTRY'S SURFACE IS COVERED BY WOODS. THAT IS WHY THE DOMINANT COLOUR IN SLOVENIA IS GREEN.



THERE ARE ABOUT 500
BEAUTIFUL CASTLES
AND RUINS IN
SLOVENIA.

THE OLD CASTLE IN CELJE



LJUBLJANA CASTLE,



OLD CASTLE IN PIUJ



CASTLE JAMA IN POSTOJNA





BLEĐ CASTLE
ON A TOP OF A
CLIFF
OVERLOOKING
THE LAKE BLEĐ

CASTLE OTOČEC ON RIVER KRKA



THE SLOVENES ARE VERY PROUD OF THE
NUMEROUS CHURCHES, CATHEDRALS AND
CHAPELS.



Brezje is a well-known pilgrimage place.



SLOVENIA HAS 47 km LONG COASTAL BELT. THE CITIES LYING ON THE COAST ARE: IZOLA, KOPER, PIRAN, PORTOROŽ; THEY ARE PACKED WITH TOURISTS DURING THE SUMMER SEASON.



-PORTOROŽ

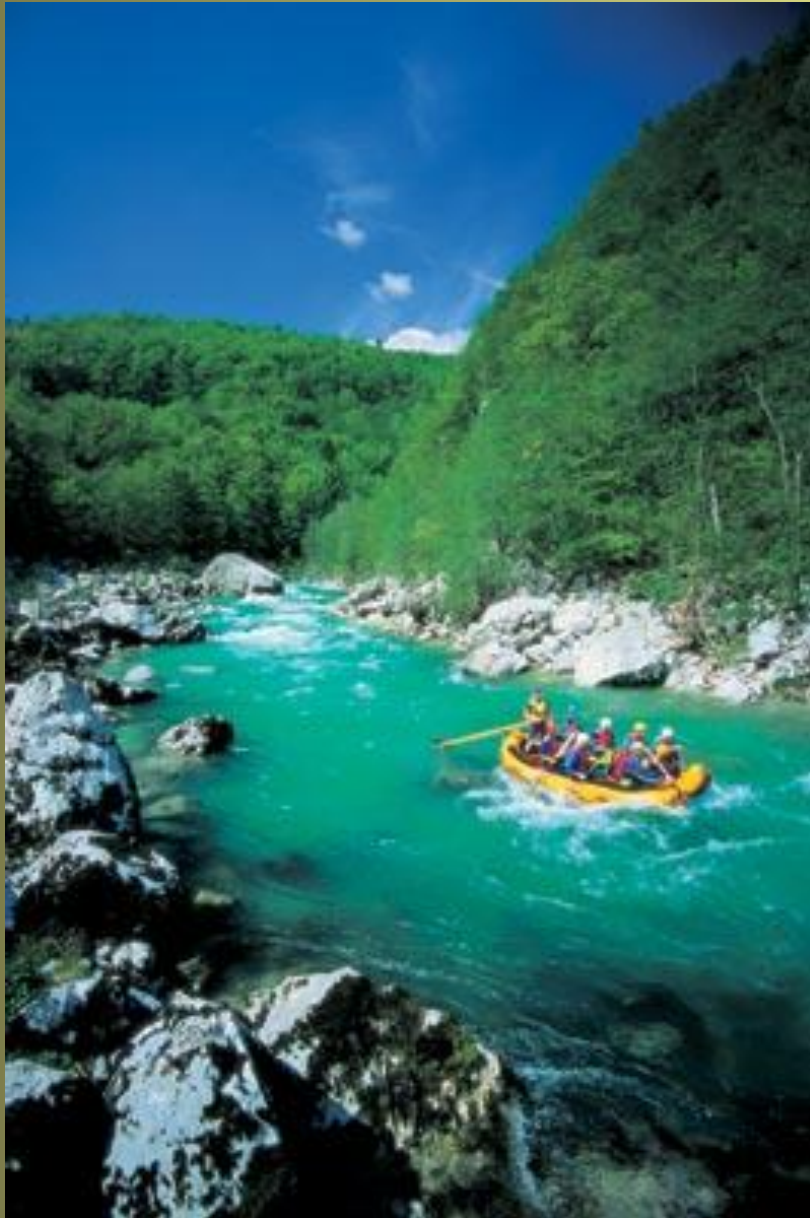


-PIRAN



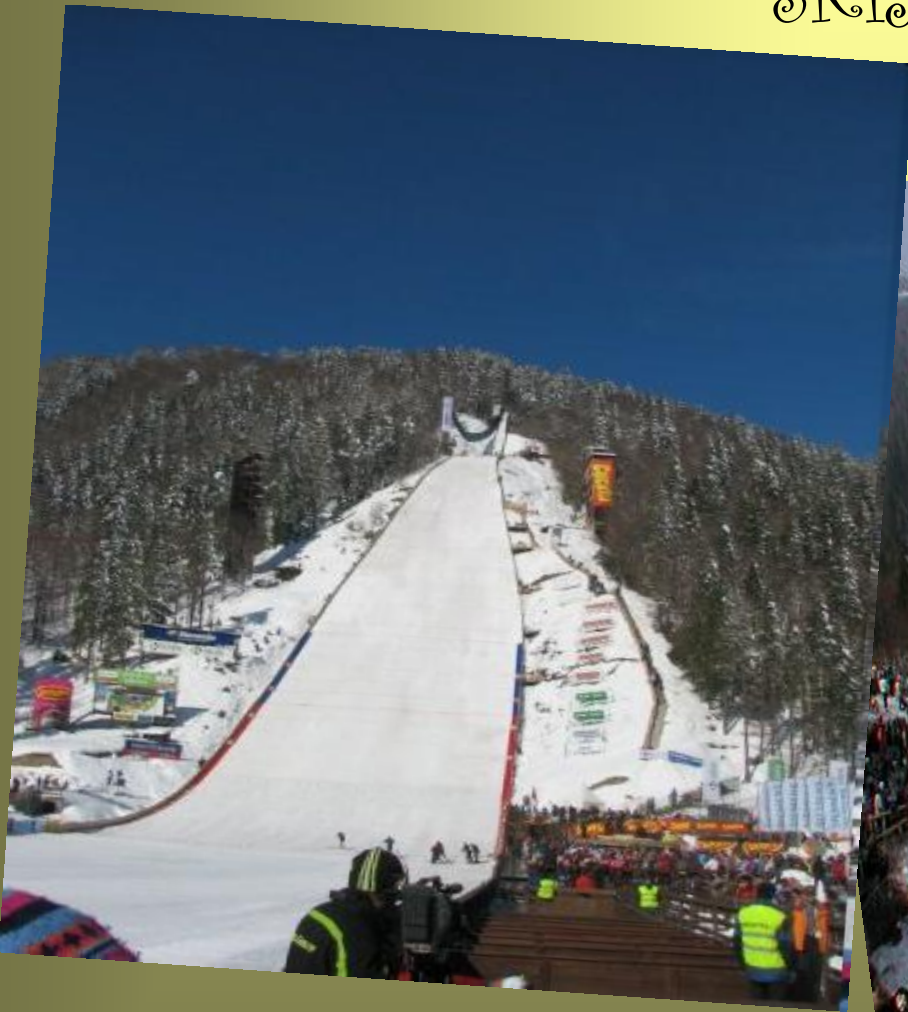
IF YOU WANT TO GO SKIING, SLOVENE
MOUNTAINS ARE A PERFECT PLACE.





IF YOU WANT TO
TRY RAFTING,
CHOOSE RAFTING
ON SOČA.

WE SUGGEST GOING TO PLANICA TO SEE THE
SKIJUMPS.



SOME OTHER

SLOVENE

LANDMARKS ARE:

THE SEČOVlje SALT PANS



THE PERIODIC LAKE CERKNICA



Triglav National Park



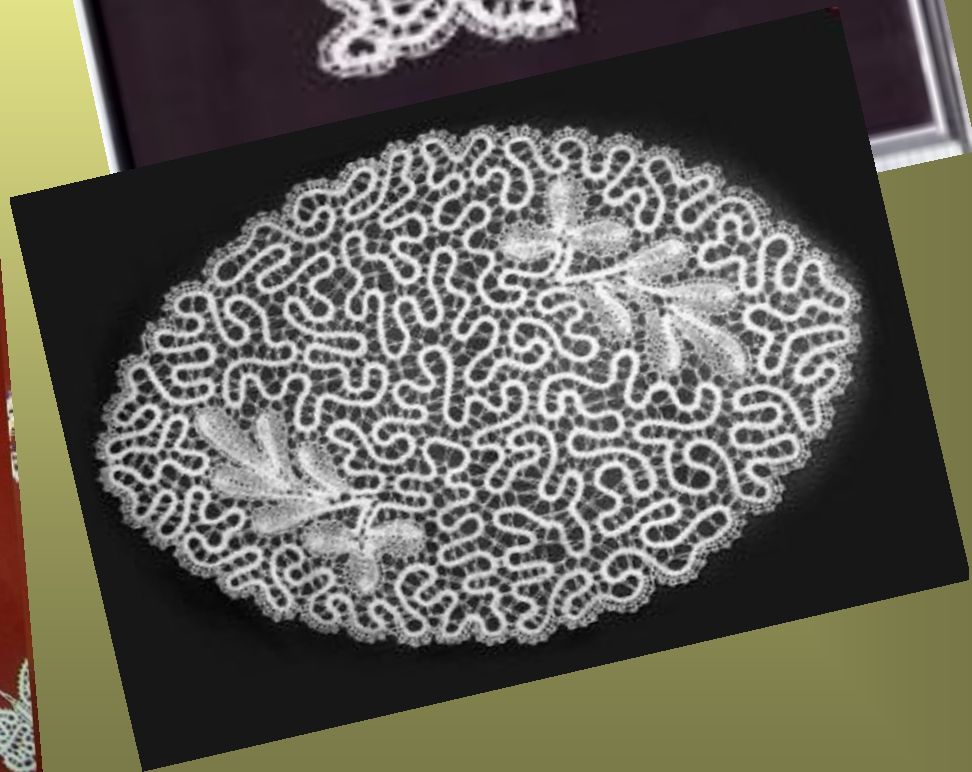
Planika, a small Alpine flower, protected and forbidden to pick.



Coachmen called “Fijaker” can take you for a ride
around the lake Bled



IDRIJA LACE



VINEYARDS





The oldest vine in the world



- The vine is 400 years old. It grows in Maribor. It is in the Guinness Book of Records. The vine produces 35 - 55 kg of grapes per year, which gives up to 100 bottles of wine.

GREEN GEORGE CUSTOM



EASTER EGGS FROM BELA KRAJINA



THE TRIPLE BRIDGE IN LJUBLJANA



CARNIVAL COSTUME CALLED KURENT FROM PIUJ



TROJANE DOUGHNUTS..... DELICIOUS



THE LIPICA HORSES or Lipizzaners



- The Stud-farm of Lipica, was founded in 1580 and is one of the most attractive cultural and historical sites in Slovenia.

PROTEUS (THE HUMAN FISH)



- The most unique creature living in Slovenia
- It lives only in Karst caves

THE BROWN BEARS FROM KOČEVJE



The White stork, which are said to deliver babies ☺



The Soča trout or the marble trout



Carniolan bee



- Carniolan bee is a honeybee that makes honey, but it also pollinates flowering plants
- There are about 550 different kinds of bees in Slovenia.

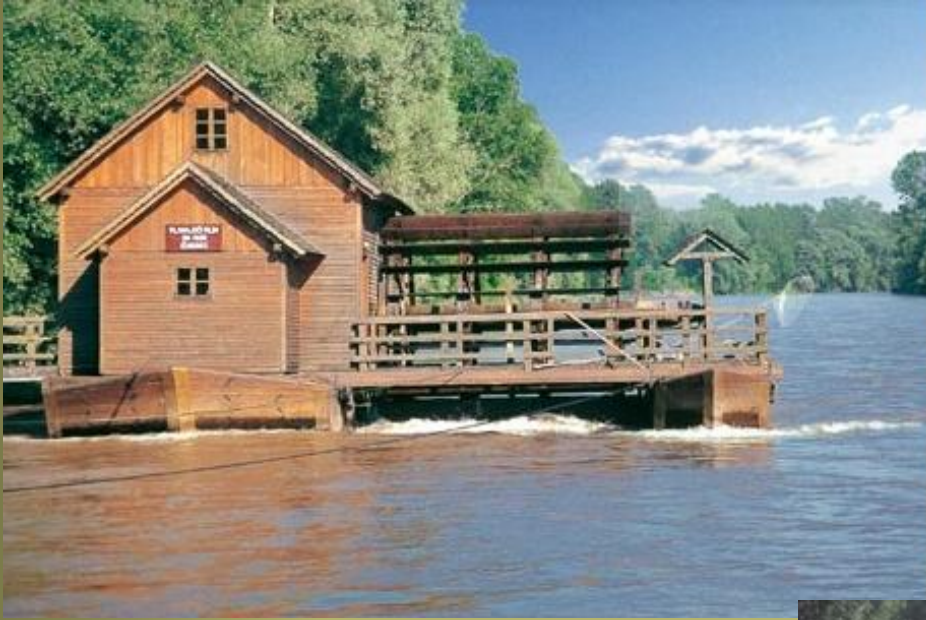
PAINTED BEEHIVE PANS



THE HAYRACKS CAN STILL BE SEEN IN SLOVENIA. THEY ARE CALLED 'KOZOLCI'.



FLOATING MILLS ON THE MURA RIVER



A bird-scaring rattle called
KLOPOTEC



GINGEBREAD HEARTS



WALNUT ROLL



BUCKWHEAT PORRIDGE WITH CRACKLINGS
IS A SLOVENE DISH YOU MUST TRY.



Carniolan sausage



KARST SMOKED HAM - Prosciutto - IS AN ABSOLUTE DELICACY.

