

## FACTS ABOUT SLOVENIA

The Republic of Slovenia lies at the heart of Europe, where the Alps face the Pannonian plains and the Mediterranean meets the mysterious Karst. To the north borders to Austria; Hungary is to the east; Croatia to the south and Italy to the west.

### Republic of Slovenia:

<b>Full name:</b>	Republic of Slovenia (Republika Slovenija)
<b>State system:</b>	Democratic parliamentary republic, since 1991; member of the EU since 1 May 2004
<b>Capital:</b>	Ljubljana, 258,873 inhabitants
<b>Official Language:</b>	Slovene, in some nationally mixed areas also Italian and Hungarian
<b>National Flag:</b>	three equal horizontal stripes in white, blue and red with Slovenian coat of arms on its left
<b>Currency:</b>	Euro
<b>Phone dial code:</b>	+386
<b>Electricity:</b>	220V – 50Hz, European round plug with two circular metal pins
<b>Emergency medical help:</b>	Public Health Center, Metelkova ulica 9, Tel.: <b>+386 1 47 23 700</b>



*In Slovenia, the sun shines approximately 2,000 hours per year. And there is plenty of snow in winter. The average temperatures are -2°C in January and 21°C in July.*



*As a small picturesque country, Slovenia makes a great tourist destination. You can ski in the morning and surrender yourself to the luxury of the Adriatic Sea in the afternoon.*



*Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia, is a central European city lying between the Alps and the Adriatic Sea, in a basin where the Ljubljanica river flows into the Sava. It has all the facilities of a modern capital, and yet it has preserved its small-town friendliness and relaxed atmosphere. It is a vibrant city full of surprises.*



*The main international airport of Slovenia is the [Jože Pučnik Airport](#) Ljubljana, situated about 25 kilometers north of the capital. The airport is well connected with the major European cities, and especially with the main cities in the Balkans. The airport is also the home of Adria Airways.*

### Geography and population:

<b>Area:</b>	20,273 km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Time zone:</b>	GMT/UTC +1
<b>Length of borders:</b>	1,370 km; with Austria: 318 km; with Croatia: 670 km; with Hungary: 102 km; with Italy: 280 km
<b>Length of coastline:</b>	46.6 km
<b>Landscape:</b>	the territory of Slovenia is divided into four basic types of landscapes, Alpine in the north, Mediterranean in the south-west, Dinaric in the south and Pannonian in the east.
<b>Climate:</b>	continental in central Slovenia, alpine in the north-west and sub-Mediterranean along the coast and its hinterland
<b>Average temperature:</b>	january -2°C; july 21°C
<b>Highest mountain:</b>	Triglav, 2,864 m
<b>Major protected natural park:</b>	Triglav national park, 83,808 ha
<b>Population:</b>	2,021,435 (Population Clock, 29 November 07)
<b>Religion:</b>	Roman Catholic 57.8%, Muslim 2.4%, Orthodox 2.3%, other Christian 0.9%, unaffiliated 3.5%, other or unspecified 23%, none 10.1%.

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