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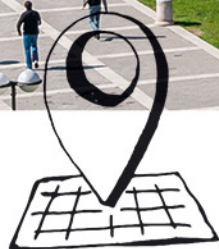
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You are at the right place



Aside from us, people of Kragujevac, being proud of its historical significance and current contribution to the development of the contemporary Serbian country, the fact that the city has always been putting people, visitors and travelers who have been leaving a piece of themselves behind,

and departing from the city inspired by its vibrant energy, seems more important. In this city, you will feel specific fusion of contrasts, traditional and modern, peaceful and dynamic, which is a reason enough for a visit, but also a perfect recipe for returning to Kragujevac.

You can enrich your stay by a leisurely walk into Šumarice, touring sightseeing spots, and museum exhibitions, which in a picturesque way show history of Kragujevac as a first capital city, as well as by visiting cultural events and festivals that undoubtedly preserve the spirit of urban city of rock-and-roll. If you wish to spice up your evening with a music performance at a local pub or ask for your favorite song from musicians while drinking Šumadian rakija and making a toast to your friends at old bohemian kafanas – Kragujevac is ready for you. It gives you its soul so you could open yours to it.

- 190.000 Residents
- 835 km² City area
- 130 km From Belgrade

**Welcome to the city
with a soul, welcome
to Kragujevac!**

Interesting Facts

Something you might not have known till now



The idiom “K'o kiša oko Kragujevca” (literary: Like rain around Kragujevac; meaning: sb avoids sth/sb) is known to everybody. Nobody can say with certainty whether the idiom comes from weather conditions or some farmer's despair by drought, but even if the rain avoids Kragujevac, you should not.

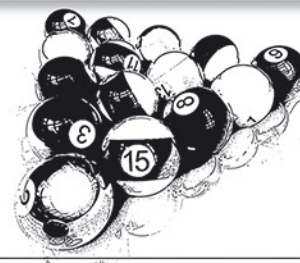


Kragujevac was named after a bird “kraguj”, one kind of birds of prey. These birds lived in forests in the area of the river Lepenica, where branches of Rudnik, Crni Vrh, and Gledić mountains touch. They were captured and trained for hunting. Despot Stefan Lazarević visited

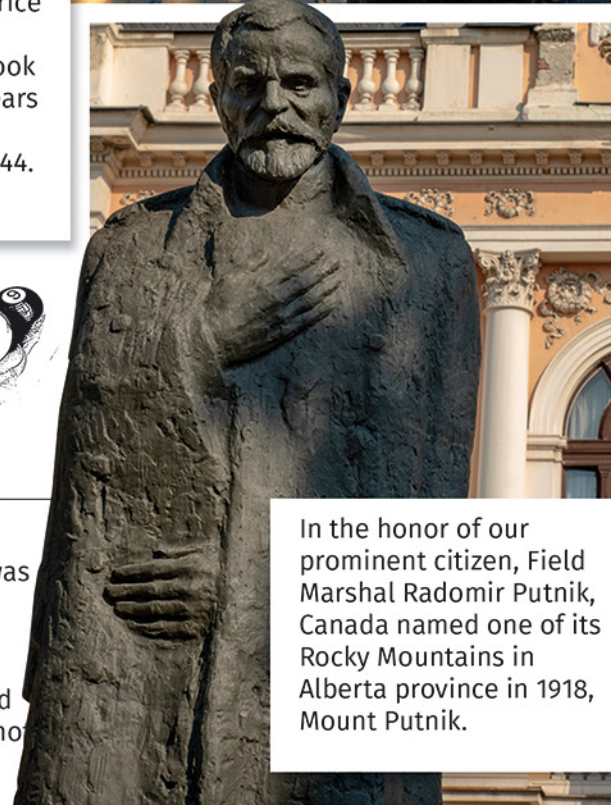
this area for hunting with kraguj (falconry). In the year 1427, returning from hunting, Despot Stefan Lazarević died on his way to Belgrade.



The First Grammar School of Kragujevac was founded in 1833. It got its first building in 1887 (54 years later), and its first day of work was October 21. The execution in Šumarice (to which students of Gymnasium were taken) took place on October 21 (54 years later). Kragujevac was liberated in October 21, 1944.



The first billiard room was owned by Prince Miloš. It was built based on western palaces way back in 1822. There are written records that he liked to play billiard but, unfortunately, he did not like to lose.



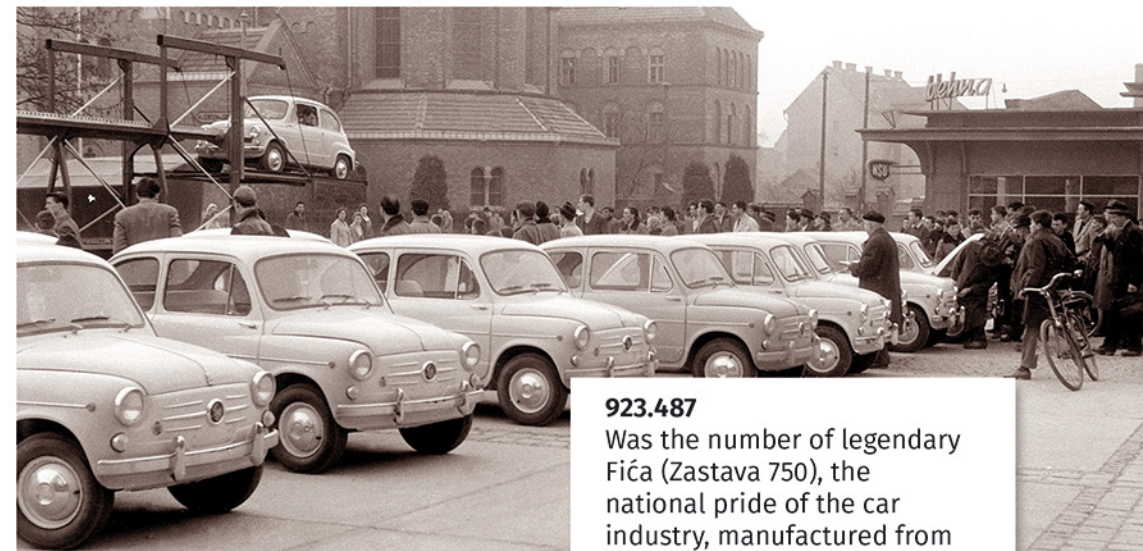
In the honor of our prominent citizen, Field Marshal Radomir Putnik, Canada named one of its Rocky Mountains in Alberta province in 1918, Mount Putnik.



The first light bulb shone at the Arms Factory in Kragujevac, in 1884, only two years after this “glowing miracle” was presented at the World’s Fair in Paris. It was lit, in Čaurnica, a part of the Military Technical Institute back then, by the factory technical director, engineer Todor Toša Selesković.



Prince Miloš singed the first smoking ban in December 3, 1824, in order to prevent fire and protect general health. It was the first smoking ban at public places in Serbian territory. Chibouk and tobacco pipe could be lit only after crossing “trošarina” (excise point) hence the neighborhood got its name “Palilule” (meaning “light a pipe”).



923.487

Was the number of legendary Fića (Zastava 750), the national pride of the car industry, manufactured from 1955 to 1985, in the Crvena Zastava Institute.

First Serbian Ball

It was held in 1834, at the National Court’s building in Kragujevac, in the honor of Prince Miloš who had received the high Turkish order form sultan. Knjazevska-srbska banda played, conducted by Jozef Scherzinger.



Sretenje Constitution

The National Day of Serbia, February 15, is celebrated as a day when The Constitution of the Principality of Serbia was adopted at the Sretenje state assembly, in Kragujevac, 1835. Dimitrije Davidović, the secretary of Prince Miloš, journalist and diplomat, was the creator of one of the most contemporary constitutions of that period.



History

The first capital of modern Serbia



Kragujevac is the city of rich history and rightfully narrated as first in everything. It was first mentioned in 1476, in Turkish land legislation books, as a settlement of 32 houses. The most significant period of its history was from 1818 to 1841, when it was the first capital of contemporary Serbia, during the ruling of Prince Miloš Obrenović. During that period, in Kragujevac,

the first Serbian institutions were established: Court (1820), Gymnasium (1833), Theatre (1835), Licej (1822), the first pharmacy was opened (1822), art gallery (1832), and the first newspaper was printed (1834). In 1841, the capital moves to Belgrade, but Kragujevac still remains the center of political life.



It is considered that when the Foundry was moved from Belgrade, in 1851, and the first cannon was cast in 1853, Serbian industry developed. With the outgrowth of the Foundry into the the Military Technical Institute, in 1883, labor force need immerged. Consequently, new neighborhoods (Palilula, Kolonija, and Pivara) were formed. Workers, who had moved to Kragujevac with their families, lived there. In the Military Technical Institute, in Čaurnica facility, the first light bulb in Serbia shone.

From the end of the nineteenth century and during the early twentieth century new city center forms, in the place of shabby, single-story houses new buildings were erected in the Secession style, inspired by those in Vienna and Pest.



At the beginning of the First World War, from July, 1914 to October, 1915, Kragujevac was the administrative and military center of the country; Regent Aleksandar I Karadjordjevic resided in Kragujevac, while the supreme military command, led by Field Marshal Radomir Putnik, was stationed in the court building. Strategies, which have been studied by military academies around the world up to the present day, for famous Cer and Kolubara battles where developed in Kragujevac. March to Drina, a master piece of the composer Stanislav Binički, was finished and first performed in the court building.





Kragujevac is also known as one of the main victims of the World War II. The Memorial Park "October in Kragujevac" in Šumarice is a bearing witness to it. At this place, on October 21, 1941, the Nazis executed thousands of innocent people from Kragujevac. The Memorial Park was built in 1953. It covers 352ha of landscaped area with artistic monuments.



After the World War II, when the factory "Zavodi Crvena zastava" was founded, Kragujevac became the symbol of the car industry. In 1955, the factory started cooperation with Fiat. Under their license, first Zastava 750, well known in the area as Fića, was produced in Kragujevac on October 18, 1955. "Zastava" ceased to exist on November 21, 2008, when Fiat Automobiles was established.



Milošev venac

The old city center

If you wish to see where the modern Serbian country was born, you are in the right place! Cultural-historical complex “Milošev venac” is part of the city center area. The most important buildings, constructed during the period when Kragujevac was the first capital of the modern Serbian state, as well as, those built in the second half of the nineteenth and first half of the twentieth century, are located there. Court complex was not preserved (except for the “Amidža konak”), but other landmarks, positioned on the left and right Lepenica river bank, connected by an old reinforced concrete bridge, are of immense importance for modern Serbian history.



The Old Church

The Old (Court's) Church, dedicated to the Descent of the Holy Spirit onto the disciples, was built in 1818. Nearly all important decisions for Serbian people (hatt-i humayun, constitutions) were proclaimed in the churchyard. The state assembly, where Sretenje Constitution was adopted, was held there in 1835. All assembly sessions till 1853, were held in the churchyard. The church was decorated in frescoes on its bicentennial, in 2018.



The Old Assembly

The Old Assembly building was built in 1859, in the yard of the Old Church. The entire building, which served for assembly sessions, is dominated by the vast hall with columns. Very important decisions of the state were proclaimed there during the nineteenth century. Berlin treaty provisions, which granted independence to Serbia and Montenegro, were read there in 1878. Since 2014, the art setting “National Assemblies in Kragujevac in XIX century” has been exhibited here.



The Monument for the fallen soldiers of Šumadija

The Monument for the fallen soldiers of Šumadija is on the left side of Lepenica, in the “Mali park” (Small park). It was set up in 1932. It is the work of the famous sculptor Antun Augustinčić and it is dedicated to the fallen soldiers in liberation wars from the year 1804 to 1918.

The Market

The City building market was built in 1828/29, as one of the most beautiful market halls in Serbia, and it is one of the first that was covered at that time in Europa. The building has not changed its purpose till the present day.



Amidžin konak

"Amidžin konak" (Residence of Amidža), built in 1818, in Balkan-oriental style, is the only building from Miloš' court complex that is still preserved. It was named after the prince's court administrator, Sima Milosavljević – Paštrmac, called Amidža (uncle). It served to accommodate men, members of prince's entourage, as well as dukes of nahias and other prominent guests during their visits. It is a part of National Museum.



Mihailov konak

"Mihailov konak" (Prince Mihailo's Residence), built in 1860, is not far from Amidža's Residence. In the oriental complex, the Residence of Prince Mihailo represents one of the first European constructions, designed in Austrian style. The National Museum administration and Museum's library are located in it nowadays.



Theatre

The Theatre building was constructed in 1928, as the need for the first theatre emerged. At the invitation of Prince Miloš, in the fall of 1834, Joakim Vujić came to Kragujevac and founded "Knjaževsko srpski teatar", in 1834. The monument of Joakim Vujić stands in front of the theater building.



Gymnasium

Gymnasium building is one of the most monumental school buildings erected in the 19th century Serbia. It was built in 1887, and that was when the First Grammar School, founded in 1833, got its building. There is a monument of Vuk Stefanović Karadžić in front of the Gymnasium. Numerous prominent individuals were students and professors of the First Grammar School of Kragujevac.

Đura Jakšić, is the greatest lyric poet of Serbian Romanticism and one of the most gifted Serbian painters of the 19th century.



Field Marshal Radomir Putnik, during his great military career, was two times the Chief of the General Staff, five times Minister of the Army and Chief of the General Staff of the Army, in the Balkan Wars and in the First World War.



Mija Aleksić, Serbian film and theater actor, won the "Steria award", "Golden Arena", "Statuette of Joakim Vujić", and other acknowledgments for acting.



Field Marshal Živojin Mišić, one of the greatest Serbian military leaders, whose Cer and Kolubara battles are being studied in military academies around the world, was the leader of breakthrough of Thessaloniki.

Memorial Park Kragujevački oktobar

In the memory of
the executed victims

Memorial Park “Kragujevački oktobar” is located in Šumarice, the place where Nazi, on October 21, 1941, executed several thousand people of Kragujevac. In the memory of the executed victims, 1953, Memorial Park was founded. At the very entrance of the Memorial Park, there is a grandiose building, Museum “October 21st”, established in 1976. The Memorial Park spreads over 352ha, through which seven kilometers path goes. Near the Monument of the executed students and professors, every October 21st “Veliki školski čas” manifestation is held.



Visitors can see places where 30 mass tombs and 10 monuments are located:

- Pain and Defiance monument, Ante Grzetić, 1959.
- Monument to shot students and teachers, Miodrag Živković, 1963
- Crystal flower, Nebojša Delja, 1968
- Stone sleeper, Jelica i Gradimir Bosnić, 1969
- Monument to resistance and freedom, Ante Grzetić, 1966
- A hundred for one, Nandor Glid, 1980
- Memorial of the people of Croatia Circles, Vojin Bakić, Silvana and Josip Sajls, 1981
- Against the evil Miguel Romo, 1991
- Monument to shot Serbs and Jews, Milorad Zorbić, 1991
- Monument to friendship, Anton Stojku, 1994

At the area of Memorial Park, there are “Slovakian cemetery” and “Old military cemetery.”



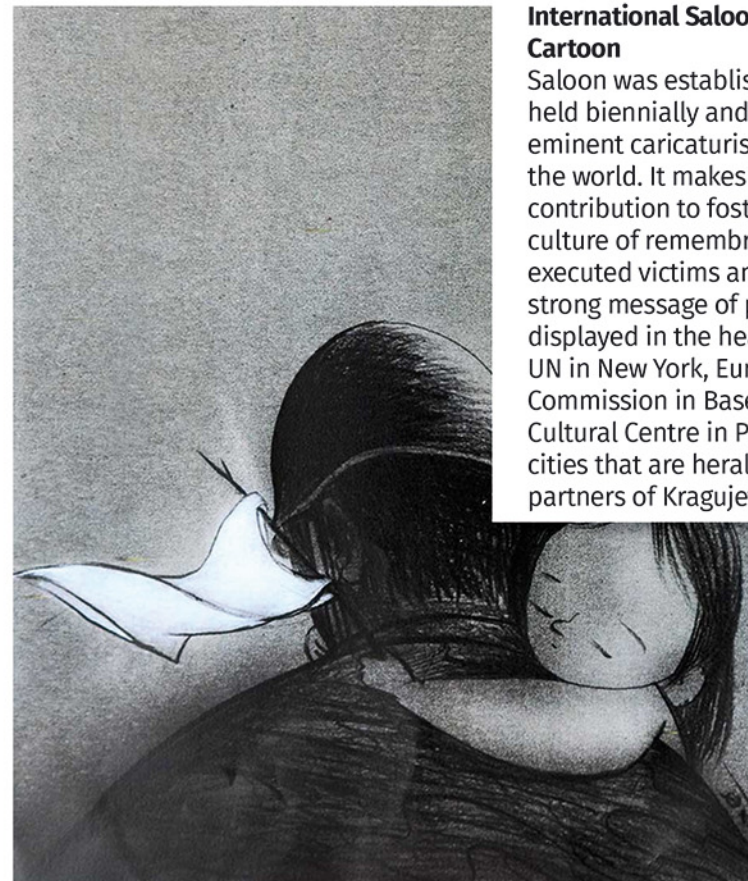
Old military cemetery in Šumariće

It is one of the oldest military cemeteries in Šumadija. Between the two wars, people referred to it as "Serbian Zeitenlik". Many soldiers from Balkan and First World War were buried at the preexisting military cemetery from the period of Serbian – Turkish wars (1876-1878). It is assumed that there are around 2,500 tombs there. Apart from Serbian, here are later buried German and Austro-Hungarian soldiers, during the First and Second World War. There is a statue of a life-size lion in its proximity.



Memorial complex "Old Slovakian cemetery"

It was established in 1924, at the place where 44 Slovakian and Czech soldiers were executed at the end of the WWI. Today, in front of it, there is a memorial with two stone lions and carved names of the executed soldiers on the monument. In early June, 1918, a mutiny took place within Austro-Hungarian troops stationed in Kragujevac. The uprising was suppressed, a trial to its leaders was organized, and 42 Slovakian and 2 Czech soldiers were sentenced to death by shooting.



International Saloon of Antiwar Cartoon

Saloon was established in 1981, it is held biennially and gathers eminent caricaturists from all over the world. It makes significant contribution to fostering the culture of remembrance of executed victims and sends out a strong message of peace. It was displayed in the headquarters of UN in New York, European Commission in Brussels, Serbian Cultural Centre in Paris, numerous cities that are heralds of peace and partners of Kragujevac.

Grand Prix Herald of Peace 2015, Ksjankjang Hou, China

Left

Grand Prix Herald of
Peace 2019,
Manuel Ariaga, Spain

Right

Grand Prix Herald of
Peace 2017,
Izabela Kovaska
Vječorek, Poland





Culture

The thing that makes life more beautiful

National Museum

Beginnings of museum establishment in Kragujevac could be tied to the first half of the XIX century. Prince Miloš started to assemble his collection of paintings in June, 1823, when he received his first valuable painting as a gift. Present-day National Museum in Kragujevac opened on June 1, 1949. Museum activities operate in buildings dating from 19th century: Amidža's residence, Mihailo's Residence, Old Assembly, Protopriest Miloje Barajaktarević's house, as well as in two galleries (National Museum Gallery and Small Art Salon).



National Museum Gallery

Gallery is the biggest exhibition space within the National Museum intended to showcase theme exhibitions, contemporary art exhibitions, and permanent collection of Serbian painting and sculpture of 20th century. Display area of the National Museum covers the area of 432 square meters.





The Old Foundry Museum is located in the former Foundry edifice from 1882. That is the oldest preserved part of the Old Foundry and Military-craftsmen's school, first of the kind in the Kingdom of Serbia. It was founded in 1953. The building itself is a historical monument and is protected by the state as cultural heritage. It contains collections of guns and equipment, machines and tools, archival materials, photographs, art objects, and collection of decorations, seals, goblets, and medals, around 5,800 items in total. The permanent display follows history of the Old Foundry, from its establishment in 1853 till 1973, as well as exhibition of arms.

Museum "October 21st"

Museum "October 21st" is located at the entrance of the Memorial Park. Its architecture accentuates symbolism of tragedy of Kragujevac. The building is red, which symbolizes shed blood, it comprises 33 domes, which symbolize thirty mass graves in the Memorial Park and three in nearby neighborhoods, whereas see-through plexiglass pyramids on their rooftops represent the last thing the victims saw directed towards the sky. Base of the building has shape of a cross, Christian symbol of suffering. Museum houses disturbing documents related to October 21st, 1941, the most tragic ones are those written by executed citizens at the last moments of their lives, their documents and photographs found on them. From the artworks in the Museum, series of 27 paintings by Petar Lubarda named "Enough of blood, enough of killing" stand out.



Nikola Koka Janković's Legacy

In this unique building dedicated to the greatest sculptor of Kragujevac, renowned in Yugoslavia and worldwide, Nikola Koka Janković, heritage of 1700 works of art which the author bequeathed to his birthplace – Kragujevac, are displayed. The framework of the permanent display are sculptures and drawings, as well as original objects from Janković's atelier. In Legacy Gallery, small exhibitions, book promotions, music performances are being organized.

"Mostovi Balkana" City Gallery

Gallery is mostly oriented to present contemporary fine arts and most current events, on local as well as on international art scene. Art exhibitions are followed by publications catalogues.



"RIMA" Gallery work is based on presenting the greatest artworks of modern and contemporary painting. Its collection includes works of distinguished Serbian painters and arts movements of the first half of the 20th century, and an important segment of its operations is related to presenting creations of contemporary artist through exhibitions and catalogues.

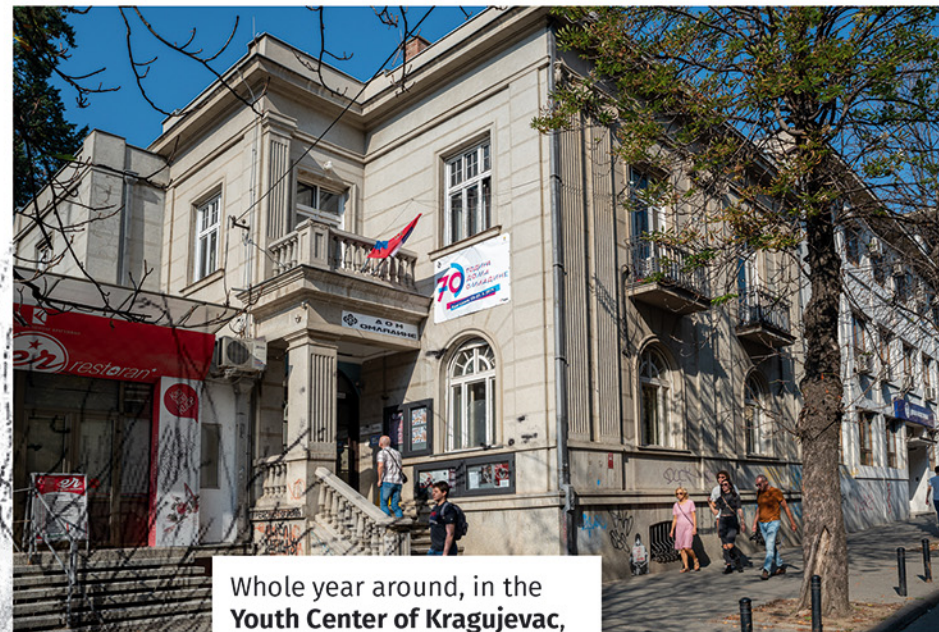
The University Gallery is located in the building of the Faculty of Law and represents space for arranging versatile programs – exhibitions, concerts, literary evenings. Different forms of art join at this place: fine, allied, musical, and literary, which makes this gallery unique and recognized.



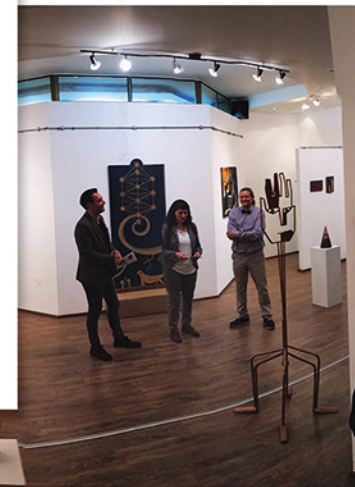
“Knjaževsko-srpski teatar” was founded in 1835, at the initiative of Prince Miloš, who invited Joakim Vujić to set up the theatre company and be its director. Theatre building was erected in 1928. Shows are performed three times a week (Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday). Since 2016, every second week in October, “JoakimInterFest” is held. Till present day, 140 theater shows, from 25 countries, in which more than 700 theatre workers participated.



Children’s Theatre is located in the Union Hall building, where shows are performed two times a week (Wednesday afternoon and Saturday morning). It performed 41 premiere for preschool and school children. It annually preforms 172 shows and attracts more than 30 thousand visitors. It holds prestigious Puppet show festival “Golden Spark”.



Whole year around, in the **Youth Center of Kragujevac**, rock, punk, metal, jazz and pop concerts, performances, exhibitions, and promotions are organized, while during summer months part of their program is held in the garden. Youth’s Center also organizes festivals: BASTeatar, Arsenalizacija, Šumadija Blues and Jazz Fest, Festival of Street Musicians, and Tribute Fest.



Two galleries which are located within Student’s Cultural Centre, Contact Gallery and SCC Gallery, purposed to showcase already renowned authors, as well as to support young generations of authors. Musical program of Student’s Cultural Centre is characterized by diversity of concerts in styles and genres, so except for jazz, world music, pop, rock, experimental and electronic music concerts, classical music concerts are organized as well. Aside from engaging in amateur theatre art, SCC organizes visits from professional theaters, drama workshops and ensures cooperation with many other amateur theatres.



Cultural Centre UMMUS

Cultural Centre for artistic and moral specialization at its premises organizes: concerts, cultural-entertainment events, book promotions, exhibits, movie projections, educational workshop with young people and creative workshops for children. C.C. UMMUS organizes concerts and musical workshops which in a very professional manner introduces listeners and performers with the basic knowledge in the area of popular music (jazz, blues, rock, gospel, soul, pop, folk, classical).



Events in Kragujevac

Each day, something new for each of you



Arsenal fest is held in the second half of June at the open area of Prince's Arsenal. Since 2011, some of the greatest rock groups from the country and region, as well as great number of foreign musicians performed. Approximately 30 thousand people visits the festival. There are three performing stages: Main stage, Garden stage, and Explosive DJ stage. Camp, in the "Veliki park", is organized for festival guests.

Wine Expo

Wineries from Serbia showcase themselves at the Wine Expo. Part of the expo are workshops with degustation. Manifestation has been held since 2015, every first Saturday in April, in Hotel Kragujevac. Wine Order of Šumadija is the organizer.



Fića fest

Although it has not been manufactured since 1985, even today it can be sometimes seen in the streets of Kragujevac, and other cities too. The fact that it has not been forgotten is confirmed by traditional Fića Fest, which has been held every June since 2005, in Kragujevac, where lovers of this four-wheeler gather from the whole region.



The City Day

Kragujevac City day is being held on May 6th, on Djurdjevdan. On that day, 1818, Prince Miloš proclaimed Kragujevac as the capital, in Vračevšnica Monastery. In the honor of this important day for the city history, during whole month of May various festivities are being held. The cheerful carnival procession of Djurdjevdan passes through the main streets, and ends with an artistic program and the best mask selection on the stage, at the "Cross". In the evening, on the same stage, a concert is held, which is followed by fireworks.



VIBE Festival is electronic music festival founded in 2013. It is held at the beginning of September, in the area of Prince's Arsenal. Interactive creative zones are organized within the festival, so participants have the opportunity to enjoy the mixture of music, unique visual effects and "live" performances.





JoakimInterFest is international theatre festival which is being held every second week in October in Knjaževsko-srpski theater. Since the founding of this festival till today, over 140 shows, with more than 700 theatre workers from 25 countries, have been held.

Golden Spark International Puppet Festival "Golden Spark" is a unique festival in Serbia acknowledged in European region. It is held in the month of May when Kragujevac becomes the point of reference for presenting the latest accomplishments in international puppeteering. It gathers numerous theatres from the country and abroad.



International Festival of Chamber Choirs and Vocal Assemblies

The festival is founded in 1995, and is held biannually. The aim of the festival programme is presenting its scheme for whole night concerts of chamber choirs and vocal assemblies - presenting findings in audio and music theory researches in the field of dramaturgy programme for small choirs and vocal assemblies, with or without instrumental entourage.



International JazzFest Kragujevac

International JazzFest Kragujevac, a multi-day music festival, which is traditionally held at the last weekend of October, was founded in 2000. The purpose of this event is to bring fresh air of art and culture to professional audience as well as to jazz lovers. Visitors to the festival have been given the chance to enjoy the distinguished jazz musician performances for years.



International Accordionist Festival

International festival of accordion artists was founded, in 1988, in the same year when the accordion school of Kragujevac was established. Since then, almost two hundred most prestigious accordionists have performed on the First Gymnasium Stage, while, Kragujevac became world recognized center where wide circle of classical music veneration formed.

OKTOH

“Oktobru hododarje - OKTOH” event is comprised of an array of chamber music concerts, where established national and international artists bestow their art on the tribute to students and residents of Kragujevac, shot in October 1941. Concerts are held during the October Festivities, right before and after the “Veliki školski čas”. Soloists, chamber assembles, jazz groups, philharmonics, ballet companies, chamber operas, and other national and international artists of various musical backgrounds and artistic orientations perform.



Kragujevac Half Marathon

Kragujevac Half Marathon has been organized for many years and has become recognizable event which goal is to promote sport and healthy life style. It takes place every first weekend in October. The 21km long race starts in front of the City Hall and moves along the main city streets. Half marathon is usually preceded by a humanitarian and recreational race “For Happier Childhood”.



Kragujevac is the only city in Serbia with two lakes in its urban area.

Natural Attractions

“Bubanj” Lake is just a kilometer away from the city center and it is located at the entrance to the city from the direction of Batočina. It is an ideal place to take a rest or a walk by the water, but also, an excellent spot for fishing enthusiasts. There are benches around the lake, and a restaurant with a nice garden.



Šumarice Lake is situated three kilometers from the city center, within the “Kragujevački oktobar” Memorial Park complex. The lake abounds in fish. Aside from fishermen, it is an absolute heaven for swimmers and visitors seeking good fun, too. Its left shore has man-made infrastructure and 800 meters long beach with a promenade, benches, tables, volleyball courts. Not far from the beach, there are different hospitality venues. In 2017, Adventure Park was added to lake’s varied selection of activities.



Aquarium

The first public aquarium in Serbia was opened in Kragujevac. It is located in the Faculty of Science facilities. Aquariums and aqua terrariums of 60,000l in volume are displayed within the area of around 500 square meters. A rich collection of fish, amphibians, reptiles and different species of invertebrates from our country, Balkan peninsula, Europa, Asia, Africa, America, and Australia is displayed in exhibition area.



Botanical Garden

It covers the area of more than 18ha. At the entrance of the Botanical Garden there is a space where boy scout camps and other events take place. The garden is divided into several zones where plants from Asia, Europa, Balkans are planted. Each zone is marked by information board, whereas name and country of origin of plants is marked with plates. Jewel of the botanical garden is newly forming labyrinth comprised of our indigenous species. Panciceva omorika, our local endemic species, is also planted in the labyrinth.



Active Vacation

For the moments that last too short

For those who love active vacation and spending time in nature, Kragujevac and the area opens up various possibilities and attractions. Šumadija's gently undulating hills are ideal for cycling, hiking, running, (horse back) riding, swimming, fishing, hunting, or others.

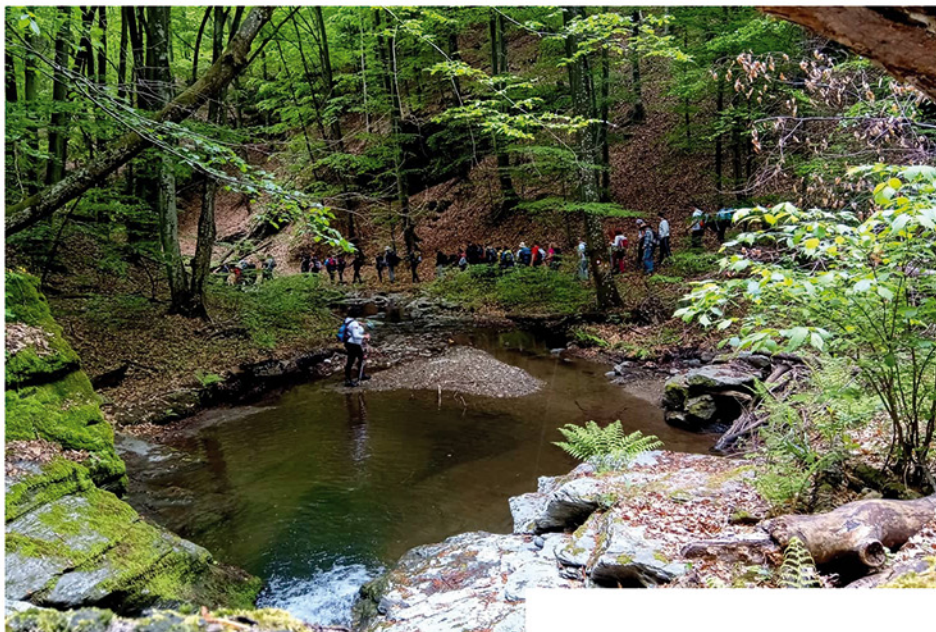
If you are in Kragujevac and have your bike with you or you get a wish to rent one and familiarize with picturesque landscape of Šumadija, you can embark on a two-wheel adventure.

Cycling route 105

Kragujevac – Drača Monastery – Kutlovo – Donje Grbice – Šljivovac – Kragujevac
Length: 43km, ascent: 880, height: maximum height: 480. Cyclists can start their adventure from the "Veliki park". A track leads forward through Šumarice to Male Pčelice. 5km long stretch of macadam road starts at the exit from Kozujevo and ends in the vicinity of Drača. After visiting Drača Monastery, cyclists follow another 3km long macadam road section to Kutlovo. After the small road branches off to the nearby

Pravedni Jova (Prekopeča) Monastery it goes through Drača chine where macadam road after 1.5km turns into metaled road, and in places dirt road. Although this part of the trail is demanding, you can enjoy in greenery, serenity and get a feeling of being far from civilization. After descend into Donje Grbice, the road goes through Šljivovac, then to Veliko brdo, afterwards it gets back to Šumarice lake, its starting point.





Horseback Riding

If you love horses and riding, in Kragujevac and surrounding area, you can get to know some tourist spots in the city like Memorial Park in Šumarice, or beauty of Šumadija's villages, while riding. There are individuals and clubs that organize, by high standards, riding schools or riding tours which are couple of hours or couple of days long.

Hiking

For hiking enthusiasts, there is a tidied up and marked trail on Bešnjaja, 19.6km long. The trail starts in the Village of Bukurovac at around 11km from the city center. You can get there by bus – number 601 from Ciftina Cuprija bass stop or by car.

Trail is circular and goes by attractive sights, and its route is the following:

Bukurovac (local community office, school) – mill – Ridge of Bešnjaja – Canyon of Voljevica – former resort of children, Djura's fountain – outdoor classroom - Vrletnica – Bukurovac (local community office, school). A resting place is constructed at the Bešnjaja ridge by Kestenova Šuma, near weather station.

Adventure Park

is located at the lake in Šumarice, in the pine woods near the beach. Children and beginners can overcome 15 obstacles, with modern safety equipment and the help of instructors, whereas, adults overcome 20 obstacles before they finish. The youngest visitors can use Agility polygon, equipped with a see-saw, suspension bridge, tunnel. This polygon is free of charge. At the end of this adrenaline rush experience, you can take zip line ride across the lake to the other side and come back by boat. The biggest attraction in the park is dinosaur model, which was named by citizens, Šumadino. It opens and closes its mouth like a real one, emits authentic sounds, moves its head, forelegs, and tail.



Open Pool Complex It is positioned at one of the most beautiful locations in the city, nearby "Veliki park" and the sport complex. It is between Šumarice, on one side, and city center on the other. It takes 35,000m² and includes pool for children, non-swimmers, Olympic, diving pool.



Indoor pool in Kragujevac is the most contemporary architectural object with Olympic-size pool and all necessary elements for professional and recreational swimming. It is open through the week in accordance with prescheduled swimming and water polo club's timetables.



Gastro Offer and Fun

A visit to Kragujevac is incomplete without tasting specialties of Šumadija cuisine prepared by following original recipes. A traditional meal in Šumadija starts off with aperitif - rakija which is served along with appetizers - "Šumadijska zakuska", before the main course. Besides good barbecue you can order "svadbarski kupus" and "proja, sarma, pasulj sa suvim rebrima", and other national dishes. Fine roast, pork and lamb, as well as veal under "sač", are irreplaceable part of gastronomical menu of Šumadija. Apart from traditional cuisine, Kragujevac has a great number of international restaurants and wide selection of fast food.

A little piece of Kragujevac you carry with you

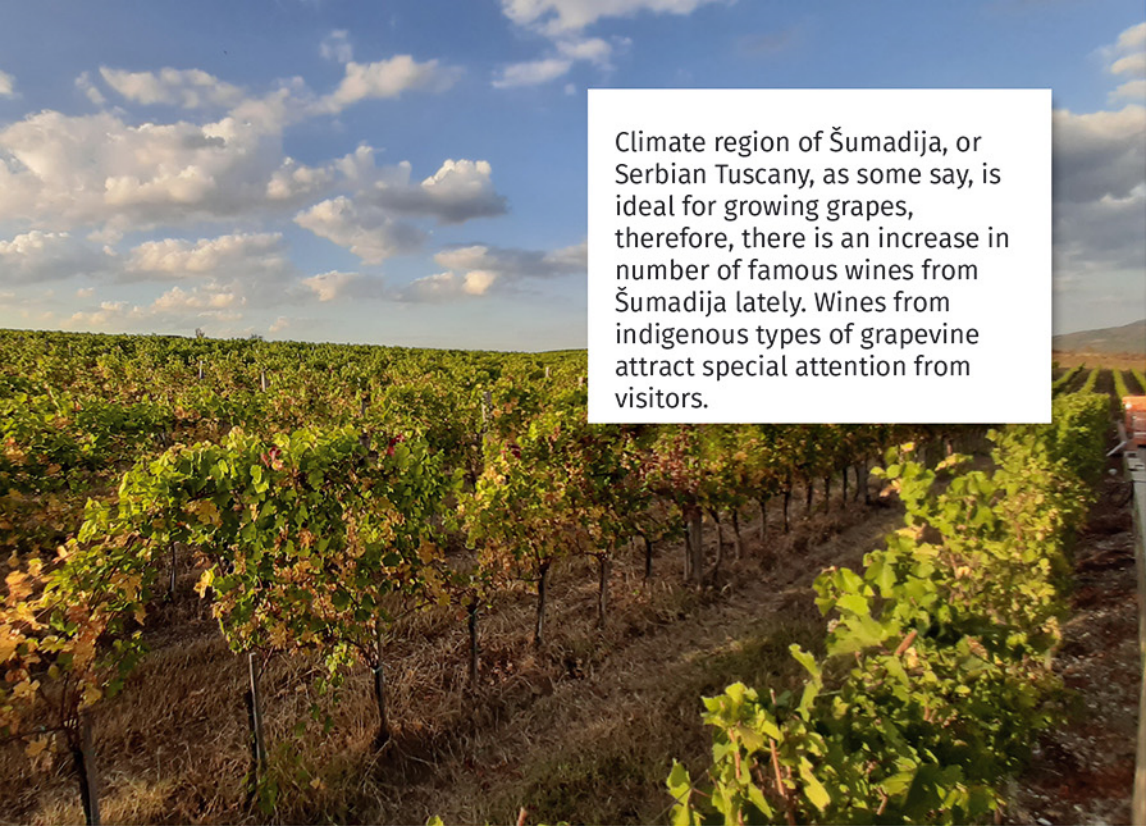


In order to really enjoy in flavors of Kragujevac and Šumadija food, it is necessary to taste national drink - rakija. A number of distilleries in Kragujevac produce excellent rakija from plum, as well as from other fruits (pear, quince, peach, grapes, and raspberry).



Regional Association of Rakija Manufacturers "Šumadijska rakija" received protected designation of origin for "Šumadijska šljivovica" in 2019. So be sure that you will drink the best "šljivovica" in Kragujevac.





Climate region of Šumadija, or Serbian Tuscany, as some say, is ideal for growing grapes, therefore, there is an increase in number of famous wines from Šumadija lately. Wines from indigenous types of grapevine attract special attention from visitors.



Experienced travelers say that the best way to familiarize with a city is to visit local markets. "Free attractions", just like this one, give insight into culture and public mood of the people, and represent an ideal chance to fuse with the local people who regularly visit markets, see their shopping habits, everyday life, behavior, get to know what local food and products are on offer, and if possible try some of them. At different locations in Kragujevac, there are three farmers' markets. We recommend you the oldest one which takes the central place at the area of "Milošev venac". It represents valuable architectural heritage of city, as well as, regional and national identity.

Cafés and restaurants with tables and chairs outside on the streets of Kragujevac are full of people from early spring until first frost, while cafés and clubs remain active throughout the year. For those who think of themselves as bohemians, there is a wide choice of old town kafanas. Bohemians, as a part of urbane folklore, emerged in Kragujevac in the second half of nineteenth century. Since then bohemian – kafana's lifestyle has been developing. During two-year stay in Kragujevac, Djura Jaksic was a frequent guest of "Stara Srbija". Writers, actors, students, and other artists most frequently moved in bohemian circles. Anecdotes about postwar bohemians of Kragujevac are being told to this day.



More and more people come to Kragujevac, not only in quest for good food, breathtaking scenery, fun, culture or business, but in a wish to do shopping. Considering the fact that prices in Serbia are more favorable than in other European countries, it is reasonable that many foreign tourists always buy something during their stay in our country.



Kragujevac is, of course, more than up to this, because it has shops, that could be found all over the world. From the best technology to top brands of shoes and clothing, watches, and jewelry – Kragujevac has it all and is ready to welcome the most demanding shoppers. Those on a low budget, as well as, those who like to wander around second-hand shops, can find something for themselves, since it is easy to stumble upon "second-hand" and "kilo" stores.

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Founded in 2005, with the main field of work in the city marketing and presenting its tourist offer. This implies arranging informational and advertising activates, publishing brochures, postcards, advertising city tourist offer in events and the country and abroad, cooperation with businesses in the city, as well as with other tourist organizations in Serbia and surrounding countries, organization and sub-organization and advertising support for tourist, cultural and sporting events.



Tourist Info Center

TIC was founded way back in 1985, but as of 2006 it operates within GTO (City Tourist Organization) "Kragujevac."

Among others, its main functions are setting up the tourist information database, tracking tourist traffic of the city, providing information on accommodation capacities, current events in the city, hospitality units and their offers...

In the pleasant ambience of TIC, one can find various souvenirs, monographies, and book guides through the city and Serbia, maps, postcards... There is also an art gallery that shows numerous works by painters from Kragujevac, as well as other parts of Serbia.



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