

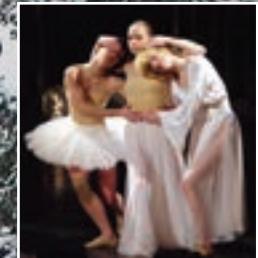
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The Statue of the Angel
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MUNICIPAL COAT OF ARMS

The oldest coat of arms in Europe

When King Louis the Great of Anjou issued a document, awarding the city the privilege to use its own coat of arms in the castle Diósgyőri on May 7, 1369, he did not expect to create such a complicated heraldic situation for his successors. The coat of arms of Košice went through a very interesting development. When creating it, Louis used the royal and Anjou coats of arms. He added the upper blue field with the three golden lilies to the four horizontal silver cross-bars in the red field. However, he did not solve the appearance of the jewel and covers. The city solved it itself, by means of their imagination and used a person of an angel, the shield-carrier. Only after 55 years the coat of arms was modified to reach this appearance officially, by Emperor Sigismund of Luxembourg, who issued a normal official document certifying the coat of arms, in Bratislava on January 31, 1423. The angel holding the coat of arms shield had beautiful red clothes, which were replaced with light blue by King Ladislaus Posthumus thirty years later, on February 7, 1453.

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The city is rich in its history, however, it has much to offer at present as well. Its geographic location in the middle of the Košice Valley was suitable for settlement already in the paleolithic period, which is proved by an archaeological finding of a municipality in the present town district Barca. Later historical events in the given location confirm the significance of Košice, where important trade roads of this part of Europe intersected, which provided the city's prosperity. Košice used to be a significant economic, cultural and social centre of former Hungary, which in fact influenced its development.



THE CITY OF KOŠICE

Košice, the second largest city in Slovakia, is the administration centre of the Košice region and the metropolis of Eastern Slovakia at the same time.

Visitor's attention is drawn mostly by the historic centre, rich in architectonic and art monuments. It is represented by well preserved and perfectly developed type of town with a lenticular square.



The city historical monument reservation in Košice is the largest one in Slovakia, with 556 protected cultural monuments on its area of over 85 hectares.

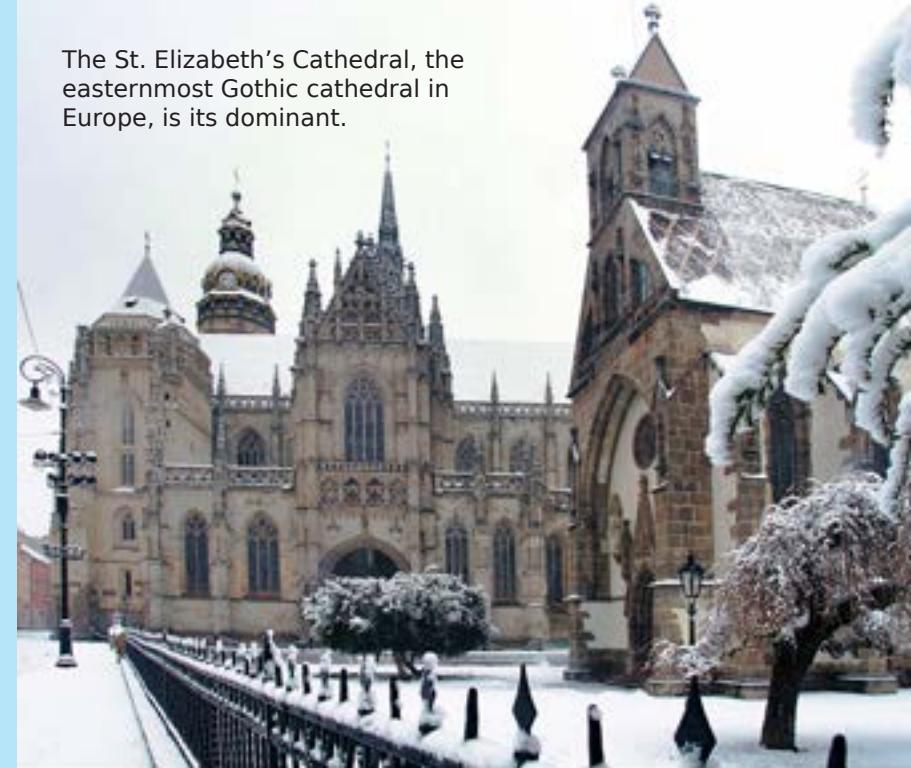


Behind the theatre there is a beautiful Baroque-styled Immaculata statue, reminding of the plague epidemic which raged here in the 18th century.

When walking down the Hlavná Street every visitor stops at the attractive building of the State Theatre and spends a while relaxing at the singing fountain in the nearby park.



The St. Elizabeth's Cathedral, the easternmost Gothic cathedral in Europe, is its dominant.



There are several museums and galleries worth visiting in Košice.



East Slovakian Museum



Košice Marathon. The oldest marathon in Europe Since 1924. 97th running takes place on Sunday 4 October 2020.

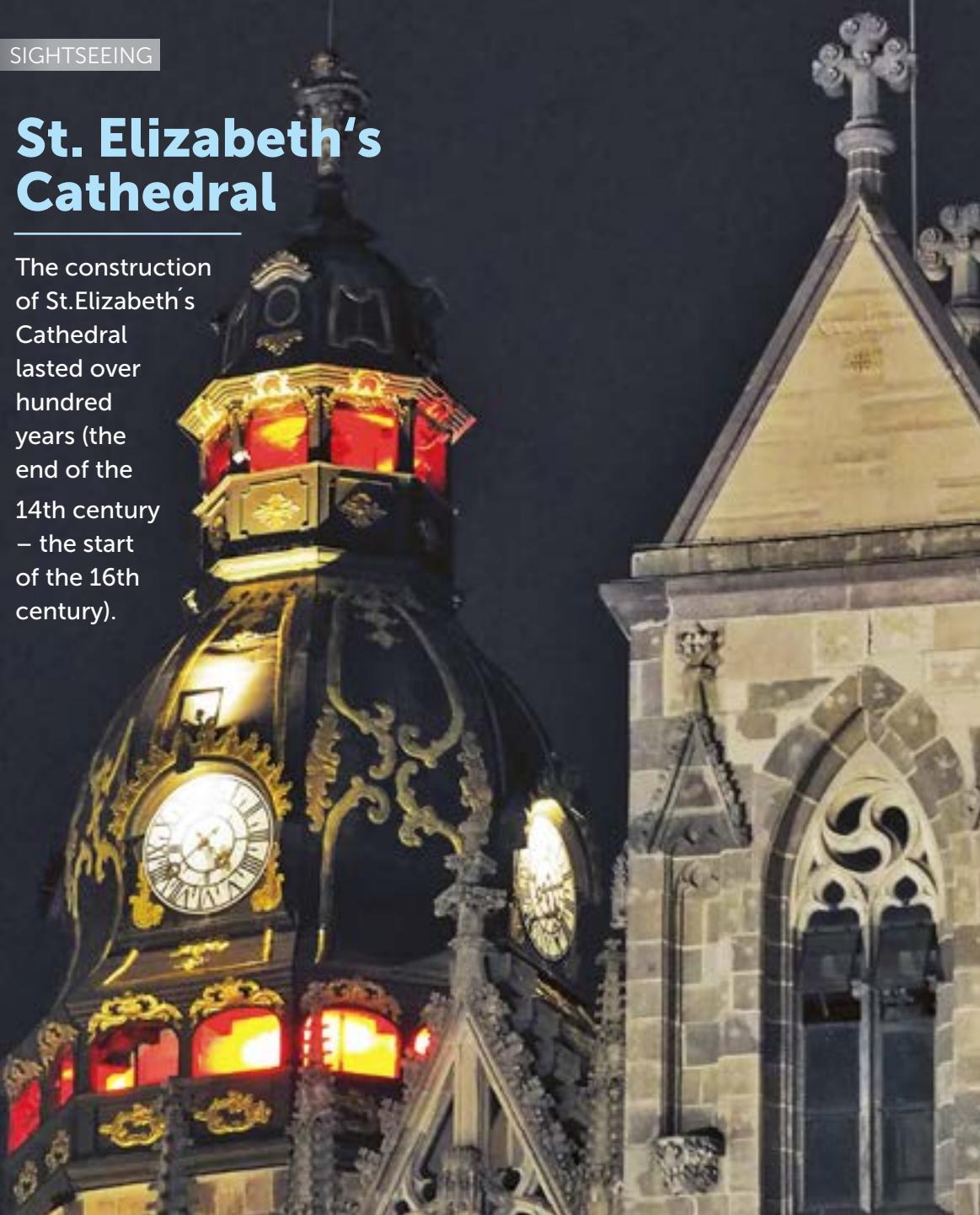


The city visitors willing to buy something original shouldn't miss the Street of Potter's (Hrnčiarska), known as the street of handicraft, where artistic artifacts are sold in individual shops and historic handicrafts are demonstrated.



St. Elizabeth's Cathedral

The construction of St. Elizabeth's Cathedral lasted over hundred years (the end of the 14th century – the start of the 16th century).



It is the easternmost cathedral in Western Gothic style and the biggest church in Slovakia. There used to be one smaller church in the place of the cathedral before. Because of the city's expansion and after the fire a new church construction was started, in a very interesting way.

They built the circumferential walls at first, then they demolished the original church and built the roof of the new one. The cathedral is dissymmetrical, because when the construction was to be completed, there was not enough money to finish the southern tower. A sundial from 1477 has been preserved next to the southern tower, above a Gothic window. St. Elizabeth of Hungary became the patron of the church, who lived in the 13th century and although she was noble, she would help the poor. We can find her statue with a spoon in her hand on the right hand side on the main and the most precious altar from 1474 - 1477. On the altar wings there are scenes from her life. The altar can be shut twice. Closing it first time, next pictures appear, showing scenes from the life of Jesus Christ. After closing the altar a second time, we can see the picture from a cycle about the Virgin Mary. In total the altar contains 48 pictures painted under the influence of the Dutch painting school. A 16-metre high pastoforium on the left hand side of the altar is a Gothic stone jewel. There are several wall paintings from the 15th century in the cathedral and a bronze baptismal font, apparently from the former church. The only double Gothic spiral staircase in Europe leads to the imperator balcony on the right in the cathedral. Opposite there is a mausoleum of the leader of the biggest anti-Habsburg uprising – Francis Rákoczi II.

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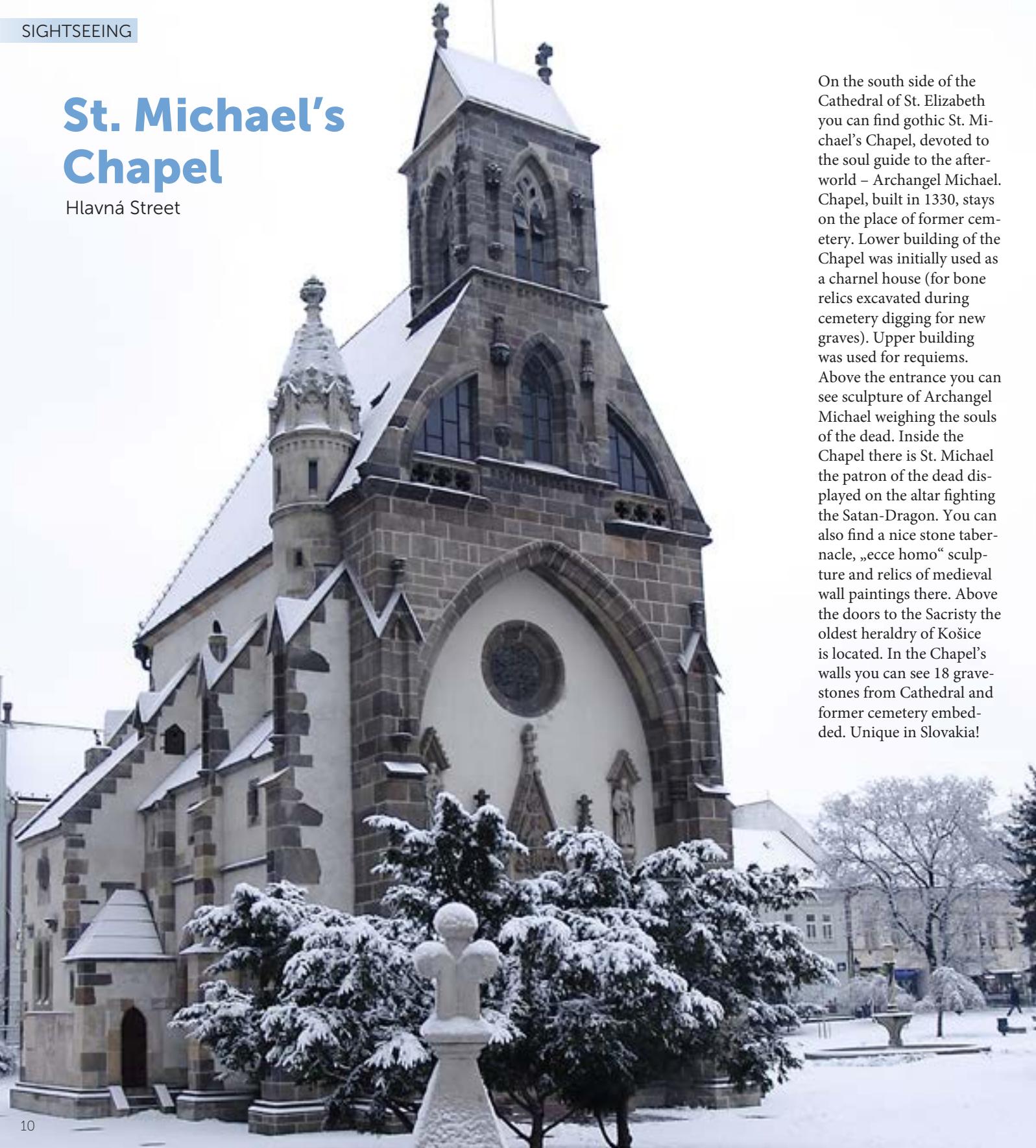
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St. Michael's Chapel

Hlavná Street



On the south side of the Cathedral of St. Elizabeth you can find gothic St. Michael's Chapel, devoted to the soul guide to the after-world – Archangel Michael. Chapel, built in 1330, stays on the place of former cemetery. Lower building of the Chapel was initially used as a charnel house (for bone relics excavated during cemetery digging for new graves). Upper building was used for requiems.

Above the entrance you can see sculpture of Archangel Michael weighing the souls of the dead. Inside the Chapel there is St. Michael the patron of the dead displayed on the altar fighting the Satan-Dragon. You can also find a nice stone tabernacle, „ecce homo“ sculpture and relics of medieval wall paintings there. Above the doors to the Sacristy the oldest heraldry of Košice is located. In the Chapel's walls you can see 18 grave-stones from Cathedral and former cemetery embedded. Unique in Slovakia!

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Hlavná Street

Formerly Jesuitic and today Premonstratensian church was built in 1681 in the place of former royal house where soldiers of Bethlen had tortured three Latin priests to death in September in 1619. The priests were later sainted as the martyrs of the city. Architecture of the Church represents combination of Renaissance and Baroque style.



Immaculata Sculpture

Hlavná Street

Baroque-style sculpture of immaculate conception was built by the city in 1723 as acknowledgement for repel of destructive plague contagion by the end of Rákoczi's uprising. Sculpture was created by famous Šimon Grimmig.



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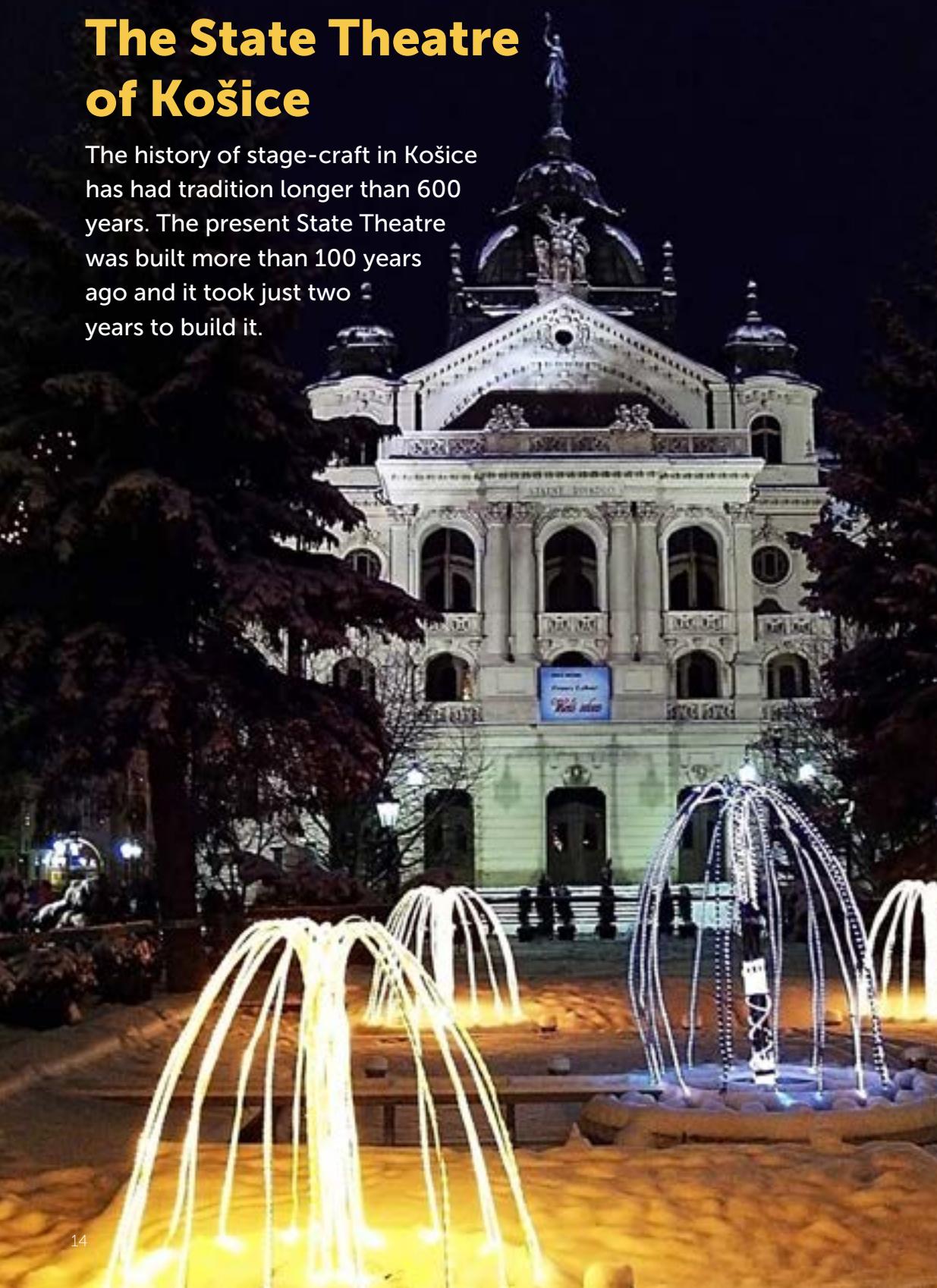
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The State Theatre of Košice

The history of stage-craft in Košice has had tradition longer than 600 years. The present State Theatre was built more than 100 years ago and it took just two years to build it.



Adolf Lang – one of the most talented European architects of 19th century, who projected some buildings in Budapest and taught at universities in Vienna, Romania and Holland as well became entrusted with the construction. It is built

in the style of eclecticism with elements of Neo-baroque style and secession. The interior is richly decorated with plaster ornaments, the stage is lyre-shaped. The ceiling of the building is decorated with scenes from William Shakespeare's tragedies Othello, Romeo and Juliet, King Lear and A Midsummer Night's Dream. The reconstruction of the building was needed in the 90's and after that the theatre was included among the most beautiful theatre buildings in Europe.



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MAP of Košice Downtown

Calvinist Church

Hrnčiarska Street

This Calvinist church was built on the place of former medieval city gate in fortifications called Malovaná (decorated). Its tower is situated exactly instead of it. The church started to be built in 1805 and was consecrated in 1811. At that time it was lacking the tower which was built in two parts, in 1853 and in 1895 when the metal cock was placed there as a symbol used since the 16th century when Calvinists owned the Cathedral in Košice. The neo-Romanesque architecture of the church is very simple.



Dominican Church

In the Dominikánske Square

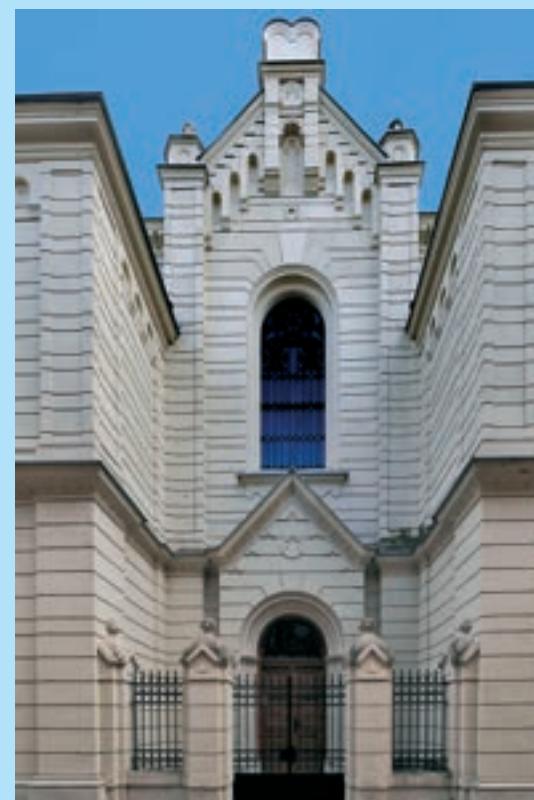
Gothic church of Dominican Order was built during the turning point of 13th and 14th century so it is one of the oldest preserved buildings on the territory of Košice. In 1556 Church was destroyed by fire and dilapidated. In 18th century it was reconstructed in Baroque style with interior decorated with illusive tablatures. Today, it is once again administered by Dominican Order.



Franciscan Church

Hlavná Street

Gothic Franciscan Church was built during the turning point of 14th and 15th century. For certain period of time Church was abandoned and used as imperial ammunition warehouse and for military church services. Founder of University in Košice - bishop Benedikt Kišdy - was buried here. In 18th century Church was reconstructed in Baroque style with sculptures of Šimon Grimmig installed on the façade. Today, building is used by nearby seminary as seminary church.



Old Jewish Synagogue

Zvonárska Street



Orthodox Synagogue

Puškinova Street

Jews could move to Košice not earlier than 1840 but the number of them increased rapidly and in the era of the first republic of Czechoslovakia the every fifth inhabitant of Košice was Jew. Orthodox Jews built the synagogue in 1927 on Puškinova Street in



Neolog Synagogue

Moyzesova Street

The first synagogue of Jewish Košice originated in 1886 and was named Status Quo. Orthodox Jews did not like it because it seemed to be too neo-gothic and therefore built next to it out of spite their own synagogue. Both these buildings were replaced in 1927 by one big neolog synagogue designed in oriental style by Ludovít Kozma. After the WWII was this building modified in the style of socialist realism into the present House of Arts (Dom umenia).

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1 December - 6. January
CHRISTMAS MARKET



Hlavná Street near Immaculata sculpture

6 December 19:00
NABUCCO, opera
Giuseppe Verdi



The most played opera by Verdi returns after five years. A new production, directed by the legend of the Czech opera direction, Václav Věžník, whose view of Verdi's operas is also known to the significant European opera houses.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

7 December 19:00
LA TRAVIATA, opera
Giuseppe Verdi



The immortal story of love based on the romantic novel by Alexandre Dumas Jr. The Lady of the Camellias returns to the stage of the State Theatre Košice for the fifth time, this time under the leadership of the international implementation team.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

8 December 16:00
THE WIZARD OF OZ, ballet
Giorgio Madia

During a great storm, a tornado takes Dorothy to a foreign land. She wants to go home, so she asks the wizard Oz for help. On her way, she experiences various things and makes many friends.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

10 December 19:00
DON GIOVANNI, opera
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart



The opera of operas. That is what they call this opera from the last years of Mozart's life. A story of a debauched nobleman who seduces, cheats, and has no scruples about anything in order to get what he wants.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

20 December 19:00
SAMSON AND DELILAH, opera
Camille Saint-Saëns



The French opera with the Old Testament theme about Israeli people desperate to be liberated from the subjection to the Philistines.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

21 December 16:00
THE NUTCRACKER, ballet
Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

Classical ballet fairy-tale about prince Nutcracker and kind Clara develops children's imagination and at the same time it helps adults with their search for real happiness and justice.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

22 December 19:00
SWAN LAKE, ballet
Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky



Perhaps the most played classical ballet returns to the stage of the Košice Theatre after less than a year, in a new production made by two important world ballet personalities.

*The State Theatre Košice
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28 December 19:00
OTELLO, opera
Giuseppe Verdi



Shakespeare in a romantic, musical form. Another great combination of two geniuses – Giuseppe Verdi and William Shakespeare. The world-famous tragedy in a brilliantly recomposed musical form.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

29 December 19:00
THE HOMELAND, ballet
Ondrej Šoth, Zuzana Mistríková



The new author's project by the director and choreographer Ondrej Šoth.

*The State Theatre Košice
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8 January 19:00
M. R. ŠTEFÁNIK, ballet
Ondrej Šoth



An exceptional historical personality in a multimedia dance theatre. The production will be a modern theatre seeking the answer to the question of how a small man feels in the great history, whose strong belief that the world can be changed stops at nothing.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

17 January 19:00
FALSTAFF, opera
Giuseppe Verdi

Two brilliant artistic personalities meet in this work, two masters in their craft: William Shakespeare and Giuseppe Verdi who had at his disposal one of the best librettos in the history of opera.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

21 January 19:00
JÁNOŠÍK, ballet
Ondrej Šoth, Zuzana Mistríková



Nations have their legends and the Slovak one has it in Jánošík. Do you know his story? Watch it in a spectacular dance performance with a live music accompaniment by the folk ensemble Železiar.

*The State Theatre Košice
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14 January 19:00
LA TRAVIATA, opera
Giuseppe Verdi



*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

22 January 19:00
NABUCCO, opera
Giuseppe Verdi



*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

24 January 19:00
SAMSON AND DELILAH, opera
Camille Saint-Saëns



*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

15 January 19:00
SLEEPING BEAUTY, ballet
Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky



The Sleeping Beauty in the form of a romantic ballet

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

28 January 19:00
DON GIOVANNI, opera
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart



In exotic background of beautiful India, in a tense atmosphere, where you can inhale the smell of wonderful sandal wood a classical story of forbidden love takes place.

*The State Theatre Košice
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29 January 19:00
LA BAYADÉRE, ballet
Ludwig Minkus



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1 February 19:00
OTELLO, opera
Giuseppe Verdi

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4 February 19:00
LA TRAVIATA, opera
Giuseppe Verdi

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6 February 19:00
FALSTAFF, opera
Giuseppe Verdi



*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

21 February 19:00
FIDELIO, opera - 1st première
Ludwig van Beethoven

The only opera by L. van Beethoven. The story of Leonora who, disguised as a prison guard Fidelio, rescues her husband, political prisoner Florestan from death in a political prison.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

22 February 19:00
FIDELIO, opera - 2nd première
Ludwig van Beethoven

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24 February 19:00
THE HOMELAND, ballet
Ondrej Šoth, Zuzana Mistríková



The new author's project by the director and choreographer Ondrej Šoth.

*The State Theatre Košice
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26. February 19:00
FIDELIO, opera
Ludwig van Beethoven

The only opera by L. van Beethoven. The story of Leonora who, disguised as a prison guard Fidelio, rescues her husband, political prisoner Florestan from death in a political prison.

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4 March 19:00

OTELLO, opera
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*The State Theatre Košice
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6 March 19:00

THE SWAN LAKE
Piotr Iljič Čajkovskij



Perhaps the most played classical ballet returns to the stage of the Košice Theatre after less than a year, in a new production made by two important world ballet personalities.

*The State Theatre Košice
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8 March 16:00

FALSTAFF, opera
Giuseppe Verdi



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*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

10 March 19:00

ANNA KARENINA, ballet
Kirill Simonov, Lev N. Tolstoj,
Rodion Ščedrin



Young Russian director and choreographer Kirill Simonov chose Anna Karenina exclusively for Košice's ballet because it unfolds the human's changeability, desire for happiness and effort for moral self-improvement.

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

15 March 16:00

THE WIZARD OF OZ, ballet
Giorgio Madia

*The State Theatre Košice
Historical building*

18 March 19:00

SAMSON AND DELILAH, opera
Camille Saint-Saëns



*The State Theatre Košice
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19 March 19:00

ROMEO AND JULIET, ballet
W. Shakespeare



*The State Theatre Košice
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20 March 19:00

FIDELIO, opera
Ludwig van Beethoven
The only opera by L. van Beethoven. The story of Leonora who, disguised as a prison guard Fidelio, rescues her husband, political prisoner Florestan from death in a political prison.

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25 March 19:00

M. R. ŠTEFÁNIK, ballet
Ondrej Šoth



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Historical building*

31 March 19:00

DON GIOVANNI, opera
Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart



The opera of operas. That is what they call this opera from the last years of Mozart's life. A story of a debauched nobleman who seduces, cheats and has no scruples about anything in order to get what he wants.

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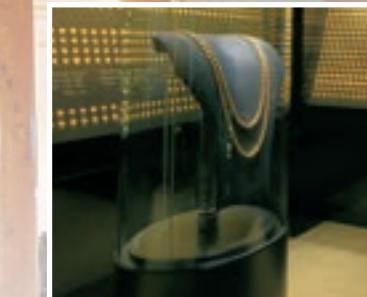
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The Tokaj wine region in Slovakia

“Vinum regum – rex vinorum” Louis XIV.

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Contrary to common perception, the Tokaj wine region does not exist only in Hungary but also in Slovakia, currently comprising 22 communities and about 1,000 hectares of vineyards.

The dispute between the two countries over the right of Slovakia to use the name Tokaj that started in 1958 for its wines was resolved in 2004. They came to an agreement in June 2004 under which wine produced on 565 hectares of land in Slovakia would be able to use the Tokaj label, providing that common regulations are applied. The basis of the agreement was that both countries will consider both wine regions as one single region again. In effect, this should reintegrate the two wine regions, but will require a substantial adjustment to the current Slovak wine region. With the accession of both Hungary and Slovakia to the European Union, the Tokaj name (including other forms of spelling) is being given the Protected Designation of Origin status.

In future, (since 2007), only authorised wine producers from either the Hungarian or the Slovak Tokaj region will be able to use the Tokaj. The Tokaj wine region, with 998 ha, is the smallest of the six wine

regions in Slovakia. It comprises 7 towns in the Trebišov district: Bara, Čerhov, Černochov, Malá Tŕňa, Slovenské Nové Mesto, Veľká Tŕňa and Viničky. Only 65km from Košice.

The history of the Tokaj region reaches back to the 3rd and the 4th century AD. Hungarian King Belo IV arranged a revival of the Tokaj vineyards after they had been destroyed by Tartar raids.

The royal towns of former Upper Hungary – Prešov, Bardejov, Levoča, Košice and Kežmarok – contributed to the growth of viticulture in the Slovak part of the Tokaj region in the 17th and 18th century, where they owned and leased vineyards. At that time, Polish Tokaj wine was much a sought-after article.

The authenticity of Tokaj wine was indicated by the designation “samorodný” (wine from selected grapes). Tokaj wine achieved its greatest fame and admiration at the French royal court under the rule of Louis XIV. The famous phrase “Vinum regum – rex vinorum” comes from this era, meaning ‘wine of kings – king of wines’.

TOKAJ WINES

The quality and exceptionality of Tokaj wines is due to the natural and climatic conditions as well as the varieties grown, which are capable of noble ripening and the formation of cibeba (a grape which has dried on the vine almost to raisin consistency and is usually covered with a type of fungus), the special processing technology and the unique form of storage and long-term aging. Three basic varieties comprise the character of Tokaj wines: Furmint, Lipovina and yellow Muscatel. During the course of a long and warm autumn, these varieties use the help of the fungus Botrytis cinerea to create the cibeba-raisin. At present, the Slovak Tokaj vineyard area produces variety of wines – Furmint, Lipovina and yellow Muscatel; dry wines – Omšové (altar wine), Tokajské samorodné suché; and sweet wines – Tokajské samorodné sladké and Tokajský výber (sweet, world-famous select, graded from 2 to 6 “putňa” according to the amount of sugar in mature wine).



Taste the Tokaj wine at the local restaurant or a wine bar of your choice.



The Spiš Castle

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The ruins of Spiš Castle in eastern Slovakia form one of the largest castle sites in Central Europe. The castle is situated above the town of Spišské Podhradie and the village of Žehra, in the region known as Spiš.

This imposing fortification stands 634 metres (2080ft) above sea level on cliffs dominating the Spiš region and was included in the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites. The castle was one of those few, which resisted the Tartar invasion (1241). Spiš Castle was built in the 12th century on the site of an earlier castle. It was the political, administrative, economic and cultural centre of Szepes County of Hungary. Before 1464, it was owned by the kings of Hungary, afterwards (until 1528) by the Szapolyai family, the Thurzo family (1531-1635), the Csáky family (1638-1945), and (since 1945) by the state (Czechoslovakia, and since 1993 Slovakia).

Originally a Romanesque stone castle with fortifications, a two-story Romanesque palace and a three nave Romanesque-Gothic basilica, were constructed by the second half of the 13th century. A second extramural settlement was built in the 14th century, by which the castle area was doubled. The castle was completely rebuilt in the 15th century; the castle walls were heightened and a third extramural settlement was constructed. A late Gothic chapel was added around 1470. The Szapolyai clan performed late Gothic transformations, which made the upper castle into a comfortable fam-





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Majestic mountains, flawless untouched ski pistes with fresh snow, safe and comfortable cable cars, delicious food, friendly staff, crackling wood in stylish hotels and a family-like atmosphere – there are countless reasons why to spend a holiday in the smallest grand mountains of the world – the Tatras.

I experienced flexible skiing personally

The Slovak ski resorts of JASNÁ and VYSOKÉ TATRY introduced a pricing revolution last year before the winter season. They were among the first resorts in Europe to launch flexible prices of ski passes based on the system used in the airline industry. This means that ski passes purchased in advance were available at much better prices than ski passes bought at regular ticket offices at the last moment. Flexible prices are now coming hand in hand with more new offers.

Before the end of the season, I felt like getting some fresh air on the snow once again. The ski pass pricing storm that the Tatras had experienced during holidays was long gone. One look at the flexible prices was enough. I didn't hesitate, dusted off my skis and set out for new adventures to the High Tatras. I was welcomed by freshly groomed ski pistes with flawless corduroy and a delicious coffee aroma on the restaurant terrace in Skalnaté pleso.

However, my goal was much higher. When I looked down from the longest and highest located ski piste in Central Europe, I felt my adrenalin pumping. More than five kilometres of curves tested my courage perfectly. I did my best on the most difficult sections and relaxed a bit in the easier "beginner-style" terrain. Once I arrived in Tatranská Lomnica, I was flooded with absolute euphoria. "This is what experiencing the mountains really means."

Štrbské Pleso was my destination number two on the following day. I came long before the pistes were opened officially. They say Fresh Track is fabulous there so why not try it? Carving on the morning corduroy is really worth getting up early. Almost no people, stunning morning views. After the unforgettable adventure, I recharged my batteries with morning coffee and a breakfast on the slope. Thanks to the special ticket pricing system which is the same as with flight tickets, I could enjoy my winter holiday in the Tatras to the fullest. My ticket cost EUR 28 when others were sold for EUR 35 at ticket offices. I will definitely come back again next year.





New in the High Tatras this winter

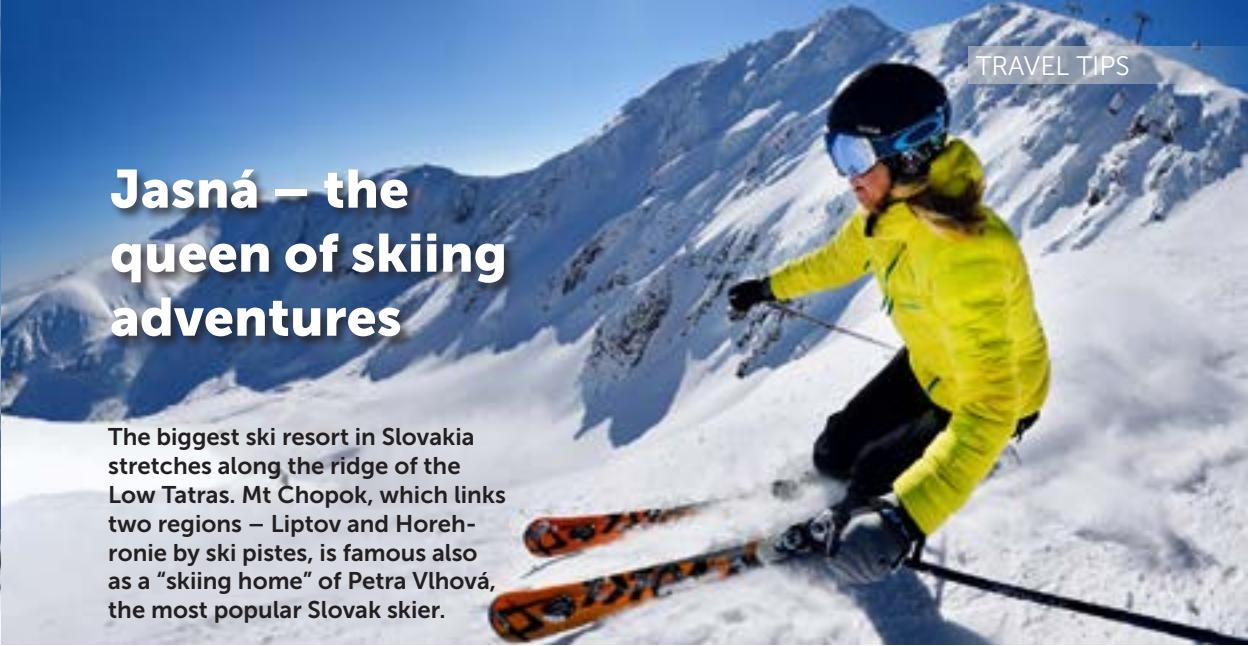
Tatranská Lomnica will have a new client centre this season, with AOM (Gopass Tickets – self-service ticket machines), the resort information centre, ticket offices, the ski rental, the ski school and the Tatry Motion shop under one roof. Time and tested winter events will be offered again, e.g. Snow Dogs in Tatranská Lomnica, Snow Camp and Dinner under the Stars in Skalnaté pleso, Tatra Dinner of Emotions, 75 Secrets of a Cable Car, the international ski cup of Smart Season Pass holders known as the Hero Season Trophy. Adventurous snow groomer rides will guarantee unforgettable moments for clients who

can now spend one hour in a grooming machine and see how ski pistes are groomed by professionals. Special Evening ski tours will be organised in Tatranská Lomnica and Štrbské Pleso as a brand new product. „A separate FLEXIBLE pricing model in the biggest ski resorts of the High Tatras will be the TOP innovation of the 2019/20 winter. This means that ski pass prices in Tatranská Lomnica and Štrbské Pleso can be considerably different on one and the same day. One thing is certain – the sooner you decide, the better is the price,” explained Andrej Árendáš, the TMR CCO.



THE HIGH TATRAS IN FIGURES

- 24 km of ski pistes in three ski resorts: Tatranská Lomnica, Starý Smokovec and Štrbské Pleso
- all types of courses for beginners, advanced skiers, freeriders
- 20 cable cars, chairlifts and ski lifts
- a stylish 15-person cable car between Štart and Skalnaté pleso
- 2 ultra modern chairlifts: an 8-seater one with attractive blue bubbles and a special kids-stop system; and a 6-seater one with orange bubbles and heated chairs



Jasná – the queen of skiing adventures

The biggest ski resort in Slovakia stretches along the ridge of the Low Tatras. Mt Chopok, which links two regions – Liptov and Horehronie by ski pistes, is famous also as a “skiing home” of Petra Vlhová, the most popular Slovak skier.

If you choose to ski in Jasné, it means you prefer the most complex skiing offer in Slovakia. Ski pistes tested by World Cup stars, freeride zones accessible by cable cars and chairlifts and the biggest Slovak ski kindergarten for kids guarantee the best adventures for beginners as well as experienced skiers. The advance sale of ski passes via GOPASS combined with flexible pricing enables the skiers to choose when and at what price they ski.

JASNÁ – great adventures all day round

Skiing can be magical in Jasné at any time, depending on the personal priorities of skiers. “We begin with Fresh

Track early in the morning, on perfectly groomed and empty ski pistes before the cableways start to operate officially. Competitive skiers love our course with a time measuring system and gates, snowboard and freestyle skiing fans enjoy our SNOW PARK designed for beginners as well as experienced riders. Night skiing in the area of Biela Púť and regular evening mass ski tours to Luková and Rovná hoľa complete the all-day skiing offer perfectly,” explained Jana Kňavová, the brand manager of the resort. Eventful APRÉS-SKI entertainment in Jasné is entrusted in the capable hands of top-class DJs and attractive artists on the so called Ratrak Stage and in the Happy End music club.



JASNÁ IN FIGURES

- 12 freeride zones
- 50 km of ski pistes
- 35.5 km of pistes with man-made snow
- 23 cable cars, chairlifts and ski lifts
- 28,000 skiers transported per hour





NEW IN WINTER 2019/20

Skiers can look forward to several new products that will improve their comfort in the resort. FIRST CLASS SKIING is meant mainly for clients who are staying at hotels in Jasná and prefer skiing without queuing. SKY PICNIC in a special car of the Kosodrevina – Chopok Juh cable car will premiere this winter. The Full Moon Dinner will be offered in the Habarka restaurant for all gourmet fans who can enjoy a delicious dinner and ski down to the lower chairlift station of Lúčky along a piste lit by the full moon, which is a truly unique adventure. The self-service Rotunda restaurant is being redesigned and will serve as an à la carte restaurant from the 2019/2020 winter season.

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MAXILAND – the biggest winter complex for kids in Slovakia, with an area of more than 7,000 m²

TATRA DINNER OF EMOTIONS – begins with an unforgettable "Tatrak" (special snow groomer) trip, continues with breathtaking views of the Tatras at dark and a delicious 6-course menu served in the stylish Von Roll restaurant.

Ice sculpting art surrounded by wild nature in Hrebienok – The Tatra Temple of Ice will be designed as the Notre Dame cathedral this year and opened to the public from 22 November 2019. Beautiful ice creations will be presented also during the popular Tatry Ice Master event. Ice sculptors from ten countries will come to breathe life into 50 tonnes of ice and change it to spectacular sculptures.

Sledging in the area of Hrebienok – Day and night sledging is a popular attraction with families and groups of friends. Take a comfortable funicular to Hrebienok and enjoy an adventurous downhill along a 2.5km-long course.

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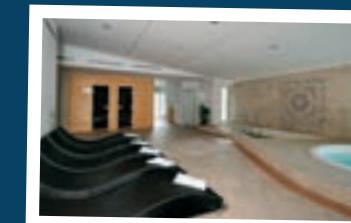


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