

PLJEVLJA - the Northern Gate of Montenegro

The municipality of Pljevlja is situated in the far north of Montenegro surrounded by wooded and gentle mountainous countryside and carved with river beds of the Tara, Cehotina and

Breznica rivers. The Town of Pljevlja is the third largest in Montenegro. It covers one tenth of the national territory or 1,346 km² and has a population of about 32,000. The earliest traces of human

settlements go back to the Illyrian time in the third century BC. The remains of the town Municipium S in Komini from the second century BC testify to the Roman presence in these areas.







ATREASURY OF SILVER, GOLD AND GILDED OBJECTS

The Monastery of the Holy Trinity is about 1 km from the Town of Pljevlja. It is straitened by rocks, surrounded by lush greenery and immersed into a tranquillity which is only disrupted by the murmur of the River Biserka. The renovated monastery lodgings with the centrally positioned

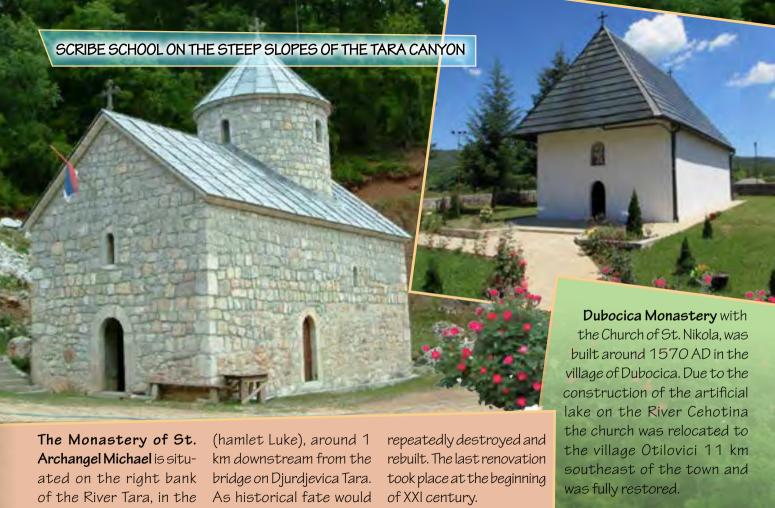
church form a beautiful and harmonious architectural unit. The earliest written reference to this monastery dates back to 1537 AD.





Husein Pasha's Mosque is located in the very centre of the town. It was founded by Husein Pasha Boljanic, an imperial vizier and the ruler of Baghdad, Herzegovinian sandzak (province) and Bosnian ejalet (autonomous province), originally from the village Boljanic near Plievlja. It was built in 1569 and had been designed by master builder Hajrudin, the constructor of the famous Mostar Bridge. Next to the mosque there is a beautifully designed sedrvan (water fountain) and a 25-meter-high sahat-kula (clock tower), one





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village of Djurdjevica Tara



The Roman city, also known as "Municipium S" in the scientific literature, is the most significant finding from the period of Antiquity. It is situated in the village of Komini, 2 km southwest of the Town of Pljevlja. The contours of the Roman town with walls, monumental buildings, streets and cemeteries stretch on several acres under a thin layer of soil.

Koznik or Jerina's town is a medieval fortification. The relatively well-preserved ruins are located in the village of Kozica, 20 km southeast of the Town of Pljevlja. Koznik is first mentioned in the documents from the first half of the fifteenth century.



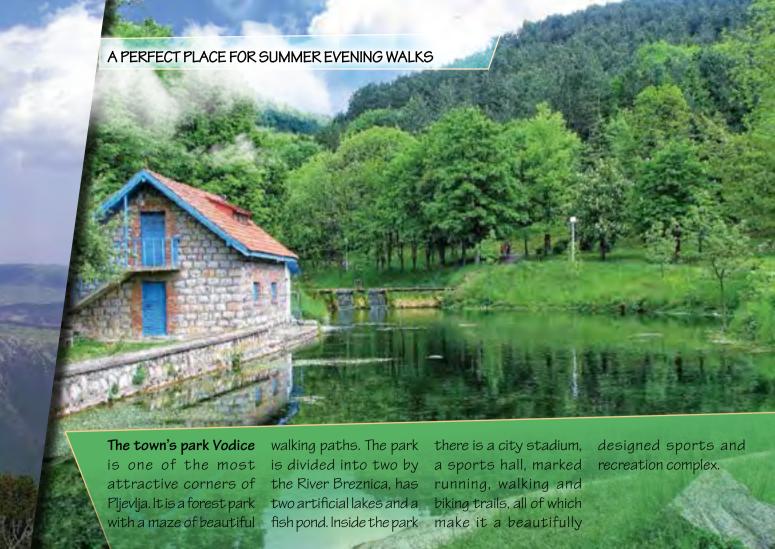
















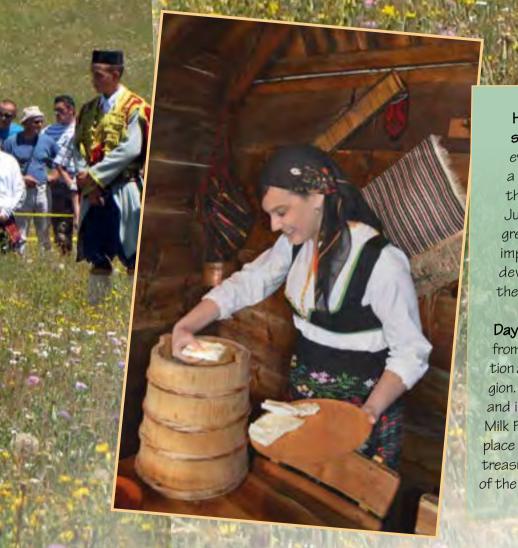
Days of Humour and Satire "Vuko Bezarevic" is a regional manifestation of humour which has been organised by the Town of Plievlia for three decades. It first started in 1986 in memory of late Vuko Bezarevic, a high school teacher and a triple winner of "Radoje Domanovic" prize.

The Town of Pljevlja's November Celebrations - a cultural and entertainment event taking place during the whole month and organized to commemorate the Pljevlja Municipality Day, held each year on November 20.

Tambouritza Music

- the festival participants come from neighbouring countries in which this sort of music is played as a part of the tradition and national cultural heritage. For 7 years now, in the course of a week's festival perform numerous tambouritza musicians from the Town of Plievlja and the region.





Hand-mowing contest "The first scythe of Montenegro" - a unique event presenting village tradition and a combination of the traditional and the modern, which has been held on July 7 for 20 years now. It gradually grew and today it is one of the most important events dedicated to the development and popularization of the village.

Days of Pljevaljski cheese - the cheese from Pljevlja has a long standing reputation as one of the best cheeses in the region. This event was established in 2000 and is organised by the Association of Milk Producers "Pljevlja 2000". It takes place in October each year, promoting and treasuring the traditions and the culture of the Pljevlja region.



