

# THE TOWN OF SPIŠSKÁ NOVÁ VES

## Gateway to the Slovak Paradise



**Slovak Republic, Europe**  
**N 48° 56' 39,01"**  
**E 20° 34' 0,32"**

Spišská Nová Ves with its more than 740-year long history is an ideal starting point for the lovers of tourism along harsh but picturesque gorges of the Slovak Paradise National Park, for the admirers of monuments included in the World Heritage List of



the town, which will enable an even better utilisation of Spišská Nová Ves as a place for yearlong relaxation and entertainment.

An increasing interest in Spišská Nová Ves is reflected every year in the growing number of its visitors, services concentrated not only in its centre and also in increased business activity.

Spišská Nová Ves - this is the gateway to the Slovak Paradise.

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the UNESCO and for those interested in obscure but even more precious Gothic Route monuments.

The town features the longest lens shaped square in Europe, the highest publicly accessible church tower in Slovakia (87 m high), the smallest and youngest ZOO in Slovakia. A rich offer of cultural and sports events all year round provides sufficient opportunities for a pleasant stay. The town is also attractive thanks to a theatre, cinemas, gallery, museum, indoor swimming pool and a lido, tennis courts, saunas, a riding area and suburban sports airfield, where you can take your first parachute or tandem jumps.



In its surroundings there are the longest river canyon in Slovakia, 25 named waterfalls in 8 accessible rocky gorges, 216 km of tourist paths and 65 km of bike tracks.

The combination of nature, history and active relaxation in the middle



of Spiš are complemented by other available natural beauties, among which belong the High Tatras which are just 30 km away, thermal swimming pools in nearby Vrbov, the nearby Pieniny National Park, the caves of the Slovenský Kras or the quickly reachable metropolises of Prešov and Košice.

In the future a large ski resort will be built up close to



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## Detva



DETVA is situated in the heart of Slovakia, about 220 km from Slovak capital Bratislava. Its area is known

with precious natural and cultural values. Detva is the centre of Podpolanie region, one of the most original Slovak regions, which was named after natural dominant feature of the area – Polana volcano. From 1996 Detva is the centre of the district. Its area is 6,809 hectares and it has about 15,000 inhabitants.

Geographical location of Detva in the centre of Slovakia enables good traffic connection with the



neighbouring regions as about roads and railways. The road I/50 (Bratislava – Zvolen – Lučenec – Košice) is the traffic axis of the area. It will be soon improved by building the R2 highway. Detva is connected with the railway line Zvolen – Lenártovce – Košice, which runs through southern part of the town. The nearest cargo railway stations are in neighbouring villages Viglaš and Kriváň. Airport in Sliač is only 27 km from Detva.

Good technical and civic infrastructure is available in the town. In the Strategy of Slovak Republic Improvement Detva is one of innovative progress poles.

Business and employment support is one of the priorities so

that the new business zones are being created.

With the EU support of its structural funds (2004-2006) Detva town realized reconstruction of some producing parts in PPS factory so that it prepared industrial park for some new investments and for the creation of 538 job positions, mostly in engineering professions.

The goal of building of industrial parks and zones for business in Detva and surrounding villages Kriváň and Viglaš is to provide the opportunities for domestic and foreign companies with working places in production, service and quaternary sectors, so that for domestic companies' goods and services consumption.

Detva town owns also allotments of 10 ha area, which is considered to be the future industrial park Detva – Trstená. There is the project documentation prepared for this business plan for building the underground services.

In southern part of Detva there are some areas and building sites of stores, services and production. This site is the most lucrative as about the connection with infrastructure but it is capacity limited because of planned road R2 and also because of limits of protective zones biotopes around Slatina River.

They say that the potential of Detva and its surrounding is not used properly. There is a good opportunity not only for visit and getting known of this region but also for investment into business and living in this environmentally pure, clean and beautiful town in the heart of Slovakia.

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## Town Hlohovec



Hlohovec is economic, cultural and administrative centre of the region. It is situated in West-

ern Slovakia, it is a part of Trnava Self-Governing Region. The distance from the capital city of the Slovak Republic Bratislava is 60 km. There are around 22,000 inhabitants in Hlohovec.

The first written evidence of its existence dates back to 1113 – the castle and the hamlet called Golguz are mentioned in the so-called Zobor Document. In 1362 Hlohovec obtained town privileges. During the feudalism Hlohovec was the centre of trade, developed crafts, and the town was famous for its markets and fairs.

The most significant architectural sights include a Renaissance-Baroque castle surrounded by a large castle park with French terraces, the Empire theatre built in 1802, the Church



of St. Michael Archangel, the Chapel of St. Anna, the Church of St. Spirit from 14th century and the Franciscan monastery with the Church of All Saints.

The town develops peer activities with its twin towns – the Belgian town of De Panne, the Czech town of Hranice, and the Slovenian town of Slovinské Konjice.



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## Velký Meder



Velký Meder is one of the most significant touristic destinations of South Slovakia. It is

a spa town offering plenty of free-time and outdoor sport activities for the visitors. The town is famous for its rural hospitality and services of high standard. The spa and the 100-hectare wood park are the main

attractions of the town. The beauty of the countryside offers remarkable moments for bikers and other outdoor sport lovers. Velký Meder is an agricultural centre with significant food processing industry and with plants of the automotive and injection moulding industry.

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## Town Čierna nad Tisou



Town of Čierna nad Tisou is relatively young town situated in a corner of conjunction of Slovak, Hungarian

and Ukrainian border. Dominant commercial industry is connected with railway transit shed, which belongs to the one of the biggest in central Europe. Town provides possibilities of business

activities development connected mainly with transit of good from European Union to East countries and vice-versa. Considering the traveling activities town surroundings offers wide possibilities of nature exploration in national bird reservation and alluvium of Tisa river, which is a natural reservation protected by Ramsar convention.

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