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WHY EVERYONE SHOULD VISIT BELARUS

Belarus is a unique and beautiful country that has many attractive sights and interesting places to visit. It is known for its picturesque natural landscapes, well-maintained parks and gardens, architectural sights and rich cultural heritage. Belarus is also famous for its hospitable people, national traditions and delicious Belarusian cuisine.

One of the main reasons to visit Belarus is the cultural heritage. Belarus has a rich history that is reflected in its architecture, art, museums and other places. You can visit ancient castles, Orthodox churches, museums and galleries.

Belarus remembers and respects its history. This is evidenced by many sights related to the Great Patriotic War, the Stalin Line, the Brest Fortress, the Khatyn memorial complex and many others.

The cultural life of Belarus is not only connected with the historical heritage. Many young tourists may be attracted, for example, by the nightlife in the city of Minsk. The main places of attraction for all lovers of outdoor activities are Oktyabrskaya and Zybitskaya streets. Zybitskaya is a classic party quarter with many bars, pubs and clubs. You can dance in a Latin bar or have a shot of whiskey in a typical English pub [1].

The next reason to come to Belarus is its unique nature, which includes national parks, nature reserves, lakes, rivers and forests. It offers a huge number of opportunities for excursions, outdoor activities, photography and simply enjoying the beautiful scenery. The country is located in the centre of Europe and has a unique combination of forests, water spaces, marshes and fields. One of the main symbols of Belarus' nature are its forests. There are over 10 000 lakes in the country and most of them are surrounded by forests [2].

One of the most famous forests of Belarus is the Belovezhskaya Pushcha. The national park is one of the oldest nature reserves in the world and the oldest forest area in Europe. Many rare and unique plants and animals can be found here, including the famous bison. There are giant trees that are 400–600 years old. They have been growing here since the times of kings and rich nobles who hunted in the beautiful Pushcha lands. Many representatives of flora and fauna of the Belovezhskaya Pushcha are included in the Red Book of the Republic of Belarus [3].

In addition to forests, Belarus is rich in water resources. Rivers and lakes stretch all over the country and create excellent conditions for active recreation and fishing. One of the most famous lakes is White Lake, which is famous for its sandy beaches and clear water. In addition, Belarus has a large number of bogs, which are a unique ecosystem complex. Finally, the field landscapes of Belarus offer incredible views:

wide fields dotted with flowers and greenery create a unique feeling of spaciousness and harmony with nature.

The third reason is the national cuisine. Belarusian cuisine is rich and varied, combining elements of Slavic, Polish, Lithuanian and Jewish cultures. The food of Belarus is characterised by its own flavour and unique dishes that are a reflection of the country's historical and cultural heritage.

One of the most popular and famous dishes of Belarus is pancakes. These are potato pancakes that are usually served with sour cream, sauces or meat additions. Draniki can be found in many restaurants and cafes, as well as cooked at home. It is important to note that the most delicious draniki are made only in Belarus. Draniki are an excellent choice for people who are health-conscious or follow a vegetarian or vegan diet. They contain many nutrients such as fibre, vitamins and minerals. Potatoes are a source of energy as well as an important source of nutrients. When you try draniki, you can experience the authentic flavour of Belarus and immerse yourself in its cultural heritage [4].

And the last reason is characterised by its uniqueness and unusualness. Belarus will give you the opportunity to go back to the USSR. If you are interested in seeing what the Soviet Union looked like, or if you want to remember your childhood and youth, here is another reason to come to Belarus.

Belarusian cities were almost completely destroyed during World War II. The USSR leadership decided not to rebuild them, but to erect them anew.

Striking Stalinist avenues and squares, mosaics and panels about socialist construction, monumentality characteristic of the Soviet era. If you want to get into the spirit of the Soviet era, we advise you to visit the Museum of the Great Patriotic War and admire the construction of Independence Avenue in Minsk. You can book a separate thematic tour.

To sum up, a visit to Belarus promises to be a fascinating and memorable experience for anyone who appreciates beauty, authentic cuisine and a variety of cultural and natural attractions. Belarus is a unique blend of culture, history and nature, which makes it an amazing and unique place to visit.

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