

Primorska

After Ljubljana and Gorenjska, Primorska is the third most visited region in Slovenia. Primorska is a province located in western Slovenia and is comprised of three distinct regions - The Soca Valley, Slovenia's stretch of Adriatic coastline and the wine growing central region.

Pri morju in Slovenian means near the sea – and one of the Primorska's main attractions is the 46km stretch of coastline that separates it from Italy and Croatia. The coastline is underdeveloped and not yet flooded with tourists – with one of the highlights being the delightful Venetian city of Piran which juts into the sea on a compact peninsula.

It is believed that the first walls of the city were built in the 7th century and then extended in the 12th century, and achieved their present appearance in the 16th century as protection against marauding Turkish raiders.

Piran has a distinct Italian influence and charm but the standard of living here is cheaper. It is a lot closer to Italy than many people think and Venice is just 1.5hrs away. In fact, the lights from Venice can be seen on a clear night across the Adriatic from the town.

Piran is relatively small, compact and friendly and has not changed much in the last 400 years.

Being the centre of the tourist trade on the coast, close to Venice and beautiful in its own right more people are looking at buying property in the area and one area set to boom with more tourists is Piran.

An indication of the building that has taken place in anticipation of developing the coastline, can be seen at the Portoroz Marina, which is arguably the best equipped on the Adriatic.

Primorska is actually Slovenia's most diverse region and offers far more than just coastal attractions, with other distinct regions each with their own unique charm and attractions.

The So a Valley

The So a Valley is a beautiful area, dominated by the Soca River which gives the region its name. With its crystal clear turquoise water, the So a River and its mountainous backdrop captivates all who visit it. The So a runs from the north-west of Slovenia down to the casino town of Nova Gorica in the west. The region is famed for offering great outdoor pursuits including: Slovenia's highest ski resort at Kanin, its best water sports including white water rafting and world class fly fishing on the So a River. Bovec is a small town and a popular place to buy property, located at the northern end of the So a Valley, at the base of the Kanin mountain range. It is used as a base for water sports and is popular for kayaking, white-water rafting.

Central & North Primorska

Is perhaps one of the most interesting in Slovenia, with its rolling hills and valleys, dotted with vineyards. This is the main wine growing region in Slovenia and appeals more to the person who wants to get away from it all and remains underdeveloped and property as a result is cheaper than in many other areas.

This is a fine wine growing area and Goriska brda Dolina and Vipavska dolina are the best known vineyards producing excellent quality red and white wines finally, Brinjski okoli; has a renowned Rebula and White Pinot. The Primorska wines are dryer, contain more minerals and more pigment than wines of other regions.

Karst.

The Karst region is located between the Trieste Bay and the Vipavska Valley and is a forested limestone plateau dotted with picturesque stone villages, vineyards and features UNESCO protected caves and the world's largest underground canyon at Škocjan.

It also gives its name to amazing shapes created by waters in the fusible stone. This karst phenomena can be found in over half of all Slovenia. There are more than eight thousand known karst caves and potholes, there are also karst springs, disappearing lakes, swallets and swallow holes.

In Conclusion

Due to its location, Primorska has become an attractive real estate destination. Its proximity to the Italian Alps, Austria, and sea coast offer several different areas all with excellent growth potential and a variety of different locations to suit all tastes