**SLOVENIA**

It´s name is Republic of Slovenia. It is bounded on the west by Italy, on the north by Austria, on the northeast by Hungary, and on the south and southeast by Croatia. On the west it has a narrow, indented coastline on the Adriatic Sea. It´s area is 20,273 square kilometers.

It´s capital city is Ljubljana and also the biggest city in Slovenia. It´s population are 330.000 thousand people. Population of Slovenia are 2 million people. There are 90% Slovens, rest are Italian and Hungarian minorities.Maribor is the second largest city of Slovenia. It lies on the river Drava. Lent is the oldest part of Maribor. Ptuj is the oldest town of Slovenia. It is situated in Podravje. Important for history of Ptuj is Ptuj castle.

The anthem of Sloveina is Zdravljica. Written by France Prešeren. We can find his portrait on 2€ coin.

Coastlines is 46 miles long. The language is Slovene. Most Slovenes speak one of the following languages: English, Italian or German. Alphabet is latin.

It´s head of State is president Danilo Turk and prime minister Borut Pahor.

The Slovenian currency is the euro, wich is devided into the hundred cents. The longest river is the Sava. Its is 221 kilometers long. On February 8th is Culture Day, on June 25th is National Day and on December 26th is Independence Day. Slovenes are almost exclusively Roman Catholic. In Slovenia is a nice lake call lake Bled and it’s got a small island with church. Slovenian's highest peak is Mount Triglav (2864 meters). The longest cave is Postonian cave. In Koper is a harbour and it used many Europin country who haven't got own see.

Economy:

Largest enterprises are: Gorenje, Revoz, Lek, Krka, Mercator, Petrol, Istrabenz

Culinary delights:

Slovenian typical dishes are:

Potica, Carniolan sausage, air dried ham, štruklji, gance, gnocchi

Slovenia is a small country, but it's nice.

Fact file:

-Official name: Republic of Slovenia  
-Capital city: Ljubljana

-Political system: parliamentary republic  
-Area: 20,273 km2   
-Forest: 10,124 km2   
-Vineyards: 216 km2   
-Length of border with Austria: 318 km   
-Length of border with Italy: 232 km   
-Length of border with Hungary: 102 km   
-Length of border with Croatia:  670 km   
-Length of coast: 46.6 km   
-Population: 2.025.866 (31. December 2007)  
-Ethnic origin of population: Slovene(83.06%),

-Language: Slovene   
-Religion: Roman Catholic (60%)   
-Political system: multiparty parliamentary democracy   
-Currency: Euro, 1 January 2007