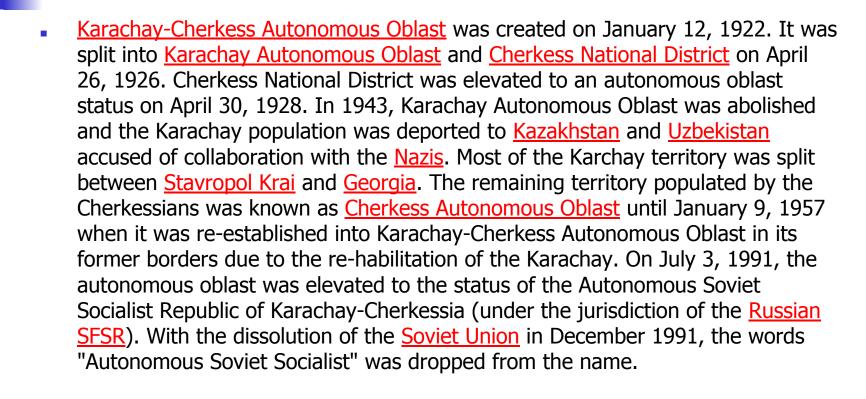
Karachay-Cherkessia Republic

Sights of republic



History



Geography

Karachay-Cherkessia Republic

is situated on the northern part of Big Caucasus, to the east and north from Elbrus, part of

North Caucasian Federal District.

The length of republic territory from north to south is 140 km, from west to east - 170 km. The republic borders on the Krasnodar Territory in the west, the Stavropol Territory in the north and northeast, the Kabardino-Balkarian Republic in the east, and Georgia and Abhazia in the south.



Cherkessk

Cherkessk is the capital of the Karachay-Cherkessia Republic. It is situated on the right bank of the Kuban River. It is a railway station on the way Nevinnomysk-Dzheguta from the way Armavir-Baku. Cherkessk is divided into three districts: central, southern and northern. The central one consists of the most ancient buildings with curved streets of a Cossack village. It is an industrial, administrative, and culture centre of the city. The biggest public buildings are located here: the House of the Soviets, regional library, the Drama theatre. A park A green island, located in the flood bed of the Kuban River, is a part of the district. The northern district is primarily industrial, the southern the place of manors build up. There are put up monuments to V.I. Lenin, to The Hero of the Civil War, to Y.F.Balakhonov in the city. Cherkessk is a cultural centre of the Republic. There is a technological institute, the institute of economy, history, and literature in the city. There is also a regional natural museum-reserve, established in 1918.



History of our capital

Cherkessk was founded in 1804 as a Russian military fortress on the Kuban boundary, where Russian army under General I.I.Herman defeated 40-thousands Turkish army Batal-Pashy in 1790. In honour of this victory, Batalpashinskaya village was established, meaning it is situated on the place Batal-Pasha defeat. The village has been an administrative centre of the Kuban region since 1880. It has become a city Batalpashinsk since 1931. In 1934 the city was renamed into Sulimov after the chairman of the Council of People's Commissars. Sulimov was arrested in 1937 and the city was renamed into Ezhovo-Cherkessk after N.I. Ezhov, an executive of arrests and decimations. In 1939 Ezhov was arrested as well, and the city has kept its second part Cherkessk, the centre of Cherkessia. It has been the centre of the Karachayevo-Cherkess Autonomous Region since 1957, and since 1991 it has been the capital of the Karachayevo-Cherkessian Republic.





The climate in the region is relatively warm, with short winters and long and warm summers. The average temperature in January is -3°C, and the average temperature in July is +22°C. The highest recorded temperature is +39°C, and the lowest is -29°C.





Nature

Our republic is good not only for travelling and tourism. It is the place where a man can merge with nature.



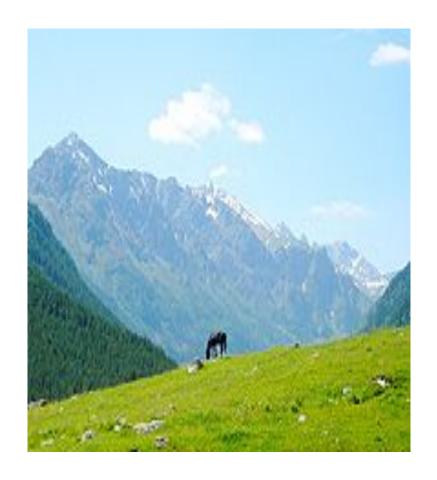




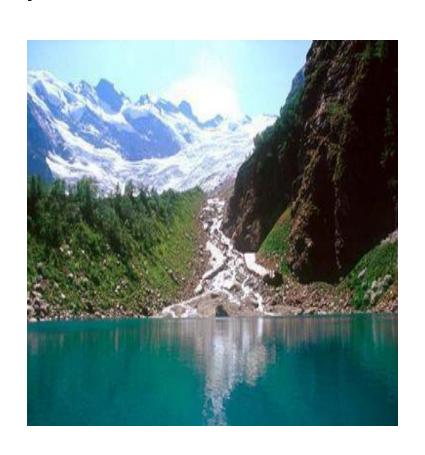
Mountains

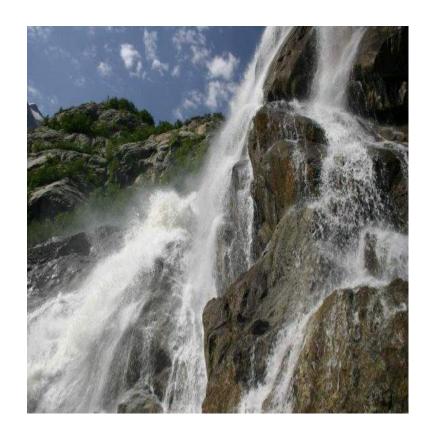
About 80% of the territory of the republic is mountainous.





Mountains, air, clean rivers and lakes, wonderful fields and forests, hospitable people are our pride.





Forests cover a large part of the territory. The republic has an abundance of water resources. 172 small and large rivers flow through the republic, the largest is Kuban, Bolshoi and Maly Zelenchuk, Urup, and Laba rivers. There are about 130 glacial alpine lakes and numerous alpine waterfalls.







The republic's fauna includes deer, Caucasian goats, chamois, roe deer, bears, squirrels, foxes, muskrats, martens, mink, jackals, wolves, raccoon dogs, European hares, otters, forest cats, badgers, lynx, grey partridge, pheasants, Caucasian grouse, Caucasian snow cocks, and ducks. Flora includes more than 1,260 different plants (235 of them endemic).







There are a lot of places of interest in our republic.







There is a place which every tourist wants to visit. It is the Face of the Christ on a rock in Arkhyz.





Nature reserves Teberdinskiy in Karachay-Cherkessia





Karachay-Cherkess Republic is one of the most wonderful places in the world. Welcome to our republic!



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