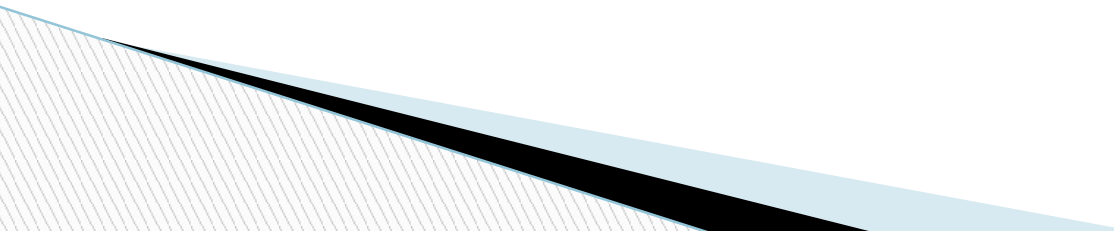


Town walls



- The oldest town centre was surrounded by walled fortifications (7th century).
- The town was divided in: Miljska, Stolna, Osrednja and Poljska.
- As the Town expanded, even the walls expanded, and even the districts.



- The walls that surrounded the oldest part of the city did not change, but they needed to get renovated in some occasions.
 - In the final phase of expansion (16th century) the third town walls embraced the entire peninsula. In the meantime the second town walls had been built. The largest part of the preserved walls dates in the beginning of the 15th century to the 16th century.
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- ❑ The town walls were completed between the years 1470-1534 and had eight towers and battlements. The external side of the walls indicate a typical defensive setting. The walls are even famous for their height and today are accessible and can be visited.
- ❑ The Piran town walls were built gradually, when the wars were changing dramatically, thanks to the discovery of gunpowder, it required new methods of defence.



Town Gates

- Only Seven town gates are today preserved.
- First Rašpor Gate: Gothic style, built as a part of the town walls
- Second Rašpor Gate: built in 1470, surrounds a part of the third wall and has a typically pointed arch with stone hinges.
- Marčana Town Gate: built with the Renaissance style in 1534 and forms a part of the third wall.
- Milje Gate: One of the Oldest preserved gate, it gained its name from a old street in the Punta district.
- Dolphin Gate: Most beautiful Gothic gate, built in 1483 by mayor Dolphin
- Field Gate: dates to the 15th century. Nearby stood the church of St. Jacob.

- St George Gate: In Baroque style is attached to the Court House. In the year 1991 Piran joined the international association Friendly Circle of Walled Towns, which has sit in a English town.



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