

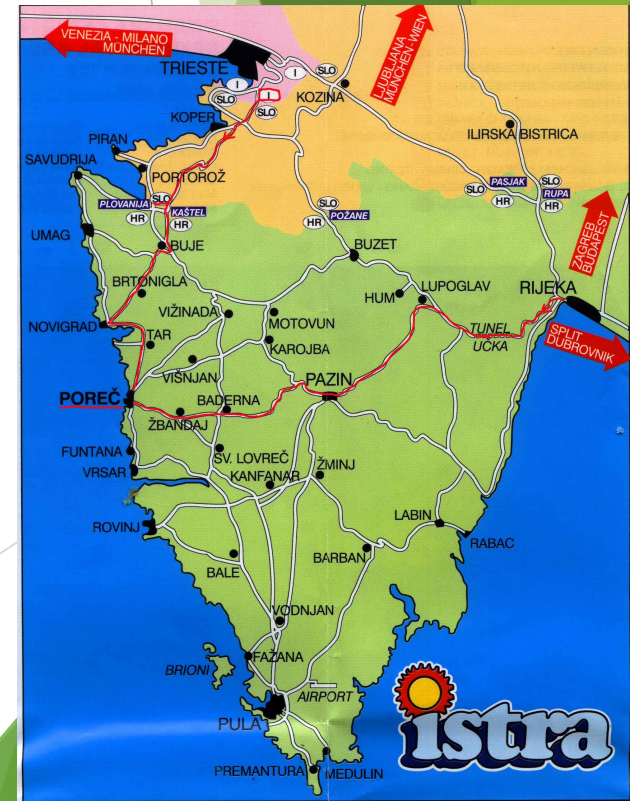


Labin, my hometown

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Geographical location

- Labin, a picturesque town situated on a 320 high hill on eastern side of Istria
- It's old name Albona was first mentioned in 280 A.D.
- Today Labin is a cultural and administrative center



The history of Labin

- *Labin was created on the place of Roman city Albona.*
- *From 1420. to 1797. he was ruled by Venetian Republic.*
- *After that, he belonged to Austria.*
- *After World War I. it was occupied by Italy.*
- *After World War II. it became a part of Croatia, who was part of Yugoslavia.*
- *In 1991. Croatia became independent and so did Labin*

- *Here are some pictures of Labin then and now:*



Now



Now



19-th century

Population

- In the city center of Labin live 6000 people, all together in Labin municipality there are 11642 citizens.
- Before the war which started in 1991. Labin municipality included: Raša, Sv.Nedelja, Kršan and Pićan.
- Labin is known as a multicultural and multiethnic city

Sights

- At Dubrova, sculpturist from Labin, have founded the Mediterranean sculpture Symposium in 1970. Every year artist from Croatia and other countries came to Labin to create beautiful art works at open. They celebrate the beauty of white Istrian lime stone. Today we have more than 70 sculptures and art project called White Road and the visitors can enjoy the beautiful nature and sight at the same time.



Tourismus

- A part of Labin is certainly the touristic place Rabac situated on the Adriatic coast. Years ago it was just a fisherman village, but in the 1960-70 it started to develop in a popular touristic place with nice hotels and especially nice beaches.
- Today thousands of tourist came during the summer to enjoyed in crystal clean sea, good fod and hospitality of Rabac and Labin.



Rabac now



Rabac before

Coal mine

- The story of Labin is not complete without its coal mine. During the time Italy ruled over Istria, started the big exploitation of coal. Miners work hard for insufficient money, in very bad conditions. That caused rebellious behavior in 1921 when the miners took the mine in their hands by their leader Ivan Pipan and founded Labinska Republika. It lasted for about a month. Today the mine is not working, but the organization Labin art republika tried making it an underground city for cultural and touristic purposes.



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