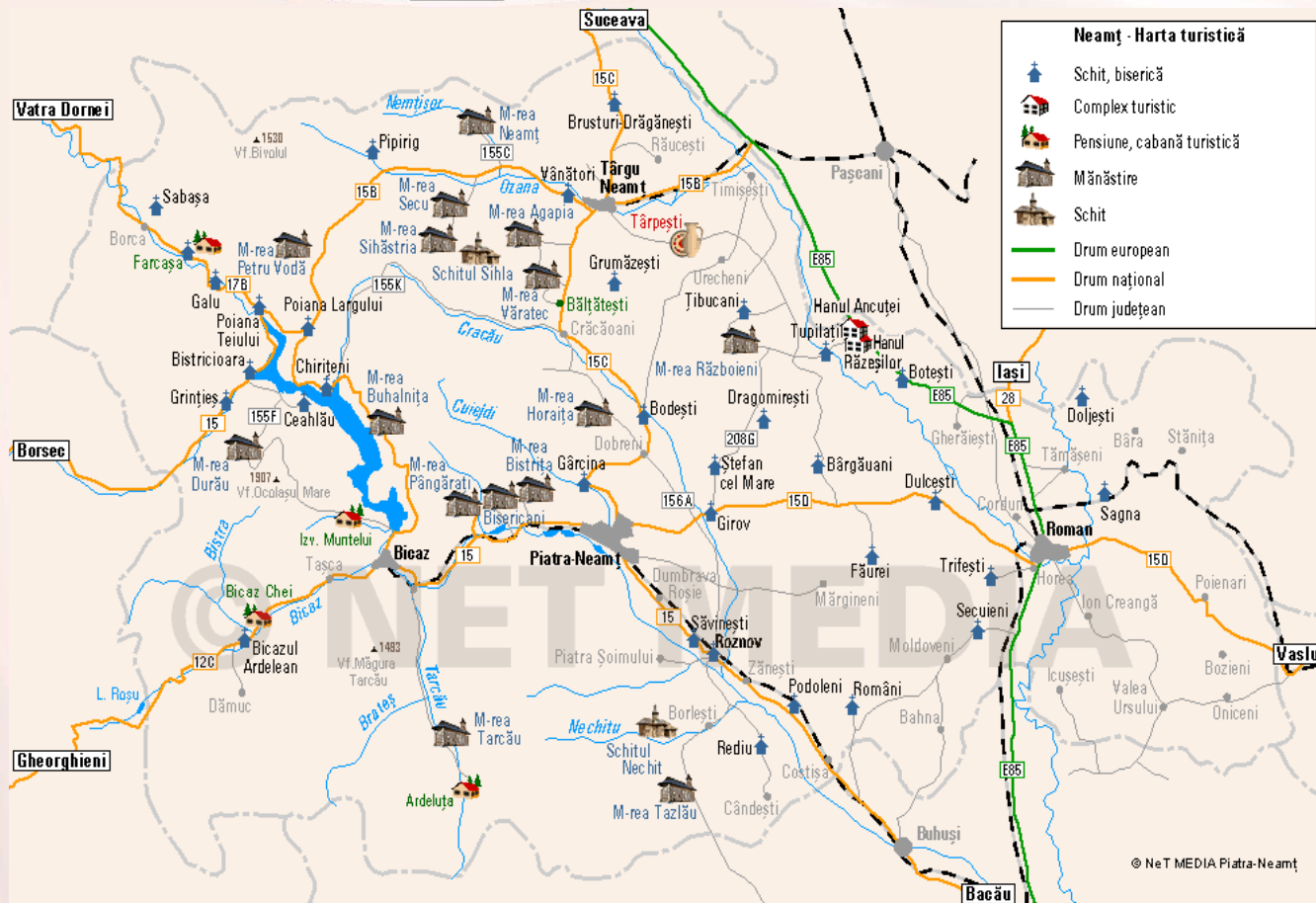


# PIATRA NEAMT

## OVERVIEW



# LOCATION



The city is located 350 km north of the capital city of Bucharest, in the historical region of Moldavia. The nearest airport is Bacău, situated at 60 km south. Piatra Neamț is linked by Romanian railway trunk number 509 to Bucharest and Iași and by DN15 national road to Bacău (therefore DN2 to Bucharest), Iași, Suceava and Târgu Mureș.

Piatra Neamț has a population of 126,000 inhabitants, distributed over several districts.





*Situated at the exterior limit of the Oriental Carpathians, at 345 m altitude, the town of Piatra Neamț marks the intersection at 46°56' northern latitude and 20°20' eastern latitude, being approximately 220 km closer to the North Pole than the Equator.*



*Piatra Neamț lies in the Bistrița Valley, surrounded by mountains - Pietricica (590 m), Cozla (679 m), Cernegura (852 m), Bâta Doamnei (462 m) and Cărloman (617 m), at an average height of 345 m. The city has all the advantages offered by a kind and unique nature.*

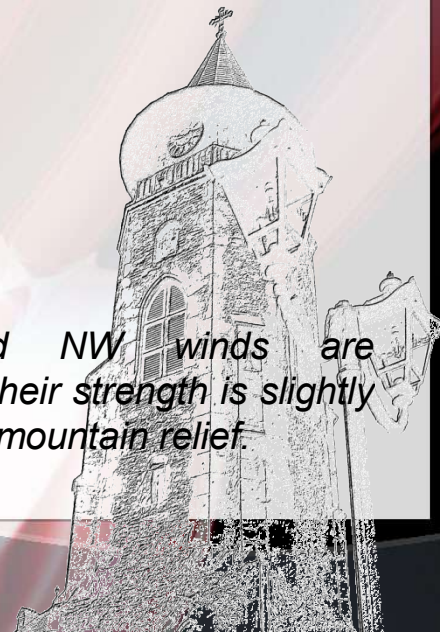




*Piatra Neamt enjoys a unique background, a temperate continental climate, with short, chilly and pleasant summers, long, serene and romantic autumns, mild winters, deprived of frosts, but with lots of snow with a mean annual temperature of 8.4 °C (47.12°F).*



*The West and NW winds are predominant and their strength is slightly diminished by the mountain relief.*





# HISTORY - MONUMENTS

*The area around Piatra Neamț is one of the oldest inhabited areas in Romania. The oldest traces of human civilisation in the present territory date back to the higher Paleolithic, about 100,000 years BCE.*

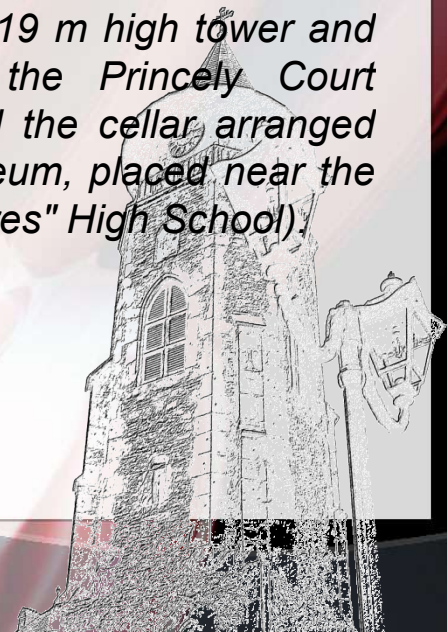


*Excavations just outside the city revealed the ruins of a large Dacian city, Petrodava, mentioned by the Greek geographer, Ptolemy, in the 2nd century. As far as the existence of a local leader is concerned, historians tend to suggest the identification of the Kingdom of Dicoemes in the very political centre at Petrodava.*



## *The Medieval Complex - Piatra Neamt (center)*

*It was founded in 1498-1499 by the voivode Stefan cel Mare (Stephan the Great) and it is composed of: The Princely Church St. John the Baptist built of stone in a Moldavian style, the 19 m high tower and parts of the Princely Court (walls and the cellar arranged as a museum, placed near the "Petru Rares" High School).*







## *Stephen the Great's Tower*



*Built in 1499, is part of the city medieval complex and became known as the city's symbol.*





## **The “Princely Court” Museum Centre**

*It was established in the latest years in the very basement of the old feudal constructions, on an area recovered and preserved as a result of the 1954 – 1957 archaeological diggings in the vicinity of “Petru Rareș” National College.*

*A part of the pieces discovered here is exhibited (bricks, aqueduct pipes, usual or enameled ceramic fragments, stone-cut sculptures, etc.) together with a rich illustrative material.*





**The History Museum** (10 M. Eminescu street) It was founded by priest Constantin Mătasă in 1934 and stores over 20.000 objects from the Stone Age until our days. There are presented the traco-geto dacic civilisations of the region, the medieval habitat, aspects of local history from modern and contemporaneous epoch, the museum activity and temporary exhibitions.



**The Cucuteni Museum** was opened in June 2005 and is the first museum dedicated solely to Cucuteni culture. The museum holds the most varied and rich collection of Cucuteni and Precucuteni artefacts.



**The Art Museum** (No. 1 Liberty Square) came into being in the latest decades, its beginnings being also a section of the Town History Museum.





The Children's Palace



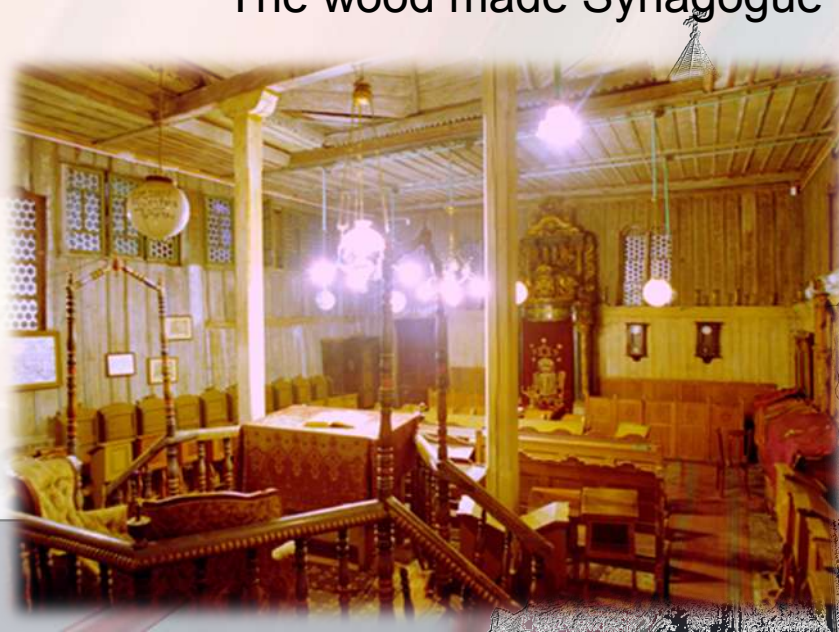
The "Precista" Church



The Youth Theatre



The wood made Synagogue





# ENTERTAINMENT



*Piatra Neamt is the gateway to the most important tourist destinations of the county: Ceahlau Mountain, The Red Lake, Neamt Fortress, Vanatori National Park, Tarpesti Museum, Neamt monasteries and nunneries.*





# Municipal Swimming Pools

*Along with the rehabilitation of the swimming pools and the green plots/areas, other objectives have been built like the athletic fields (tennis, basketball, volleyball, football) and the skate park.*



*The investments will continue with the construction of a sports hall.*







*Piatra Neamt benefits from professional tennis, basketball, volleyball and soccer indoor and outdoor facilities.*



*The Equestrian Club of Piatra Neamt organized the following events: Dunhill Cup, Volvo Cup and two Balkan Cups. The club organizes Novice-Advanced riding schools, basic riding, demonstrations and presentations for various groups.*





**The cultural events taking place in Piatra Neamt** attract a lot of tourists from all parts of Romania. These events are:

- Piatra Neamt Celebration Days, late June;
- Musical Holidays in Piatra Neamt Town;
- The Folk International Festival Piatra Neamt, on 1-8 August (every odd year)
- Autumn Fest, early October
- Wine Fest, late October







- *'Sadoveniana', a pilgrimage event, in November;*
- *The Traditional Customs Festival, Piatra Neamt, in December'*
- *Yorick Theatre Festival, Piatra Neamt, dedicated to unprofessional actor companies;*
- *Neamt County Minorities Festival;*
- *Arts Biannual Holiday, in October ( every odd year);*
- *The Symphonic Concerts Season;*
- *The Individual and Collective Displays of Piatra Neamt Artist Union;*
- *The Craftsmen's Fair, in July.*





# Cable Transport installation and touristic infrastructure on Cozla Massif – Piatra Neamt



*Offering a town view, telegondola will allow the access to all the ski slopes, but also to other attractive places on Cozla Mountain, this tourism site can be exploited every season.*

*Construction started in August 2006 and is due to be finished in the 1st quarter of 2007.*





Departure station



Arrival station





*The ski slope will have a ski-lift with a 1.200 persons/hour capacity, a center for services and renting sports equipment.*

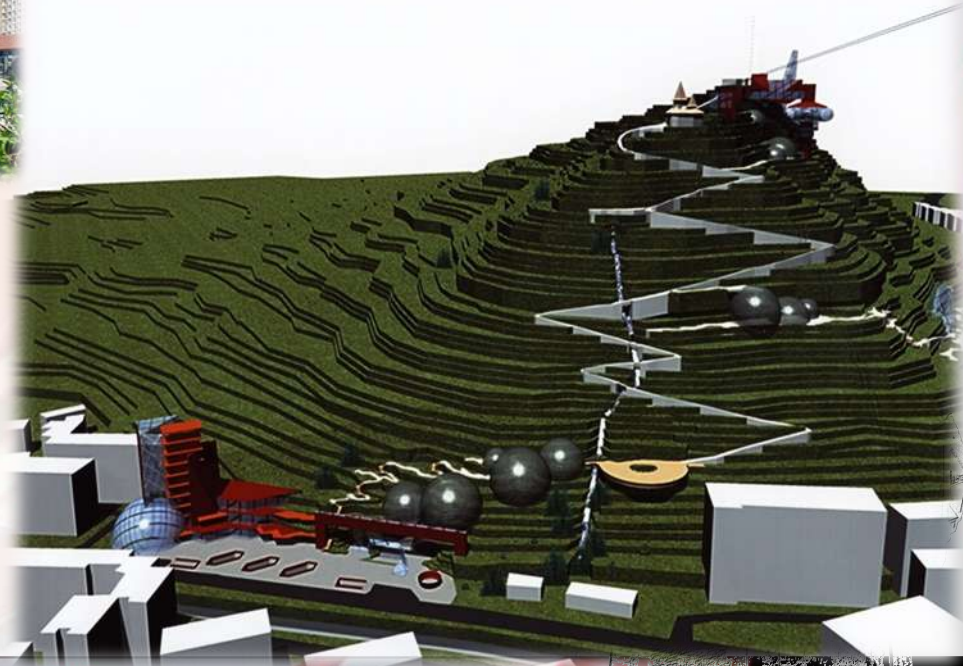






## ***The tourist trail on the Pietricica mountain***

*The hiking trail will have sections with stairs which will alternate with sections with escalator and on the trail will be arranged belvedere platforms, supplied with public refreshment stations, benches and on the top of the mountain will be build a rotating restaurant.*





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