***Slatina***

Slatina is the capital city of [Olt County](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Olt_County), [Romania](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Romania), on the [river Olt](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Olt_River). It is located in the south of Romania, on the eastern side of the river Olt, in the historical region of [Muntenia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muntenia). The population was 70,293 in 2011, being an important industrial center.

It’s the place where I spent my childhood, i did the primary school and the highschool. I have a lot of memories in this city and I made a lot of friends which I will keep for the rest of my life.

Slatina has a lot of attractions for visitors: Gradiste Hill, Museum of History, Cantonament, Esplanada, “Parcul Tineretului”, “Parcul Pitești”. You can go out and eat on various restaurants, go with the bike on parks or go to see the Olt river. Recently, on July 2019 it was opened the first McDonald’s in the city next to Tineretului Park and it’s planned to be built the first mall in the city too.

The town of Slatina was first mentioned on January 20, 1368 in an official document issued by Vladislav I Vlaicu, Prince of Wallachia. The document stated that merchants from the Transylvanian city of Brașov would not pay customs when passing through Slatina. The word Slatina is of Slavic origin, and means "marsh, swamp, watery plain".

Alro Slatina, the largest aluminum producing factories in Southeastern Europe, is located in the city. Other companies based in Slatina include ALPROM (which, like ALRO, is a subsidiary of VIMETCOGROUP), Altur (engine set manufacturer), Pirelli Tires Romania (tire-manufacturer), Steel Cord Romania (steel cord for tires), TMK Artrom (seamless steel tubes), Prysmian (electronic and electric wires and cables) and Benteler.

In Slatina, tourism is based a lot on culture, but mostly on religion because Romania is known as a religious country. Historical tracks are not missed, because monuments and historic landmarks can be seen in Slatina City and also in other areas of the county. Beside Olt County’s capital, cities like Caracal or Corabia worth a visit. They are smaller, quieter cities, but they have interesting tourist objectives and attractions which for sure won’t disappoint you. Olt River, with its reservoirs and beaches, represent one of the biggest attractions from Oltenia and in county’s south, where Corabia port is situated, Danube River is the king on the territory it crosses. In Olt, hunting and fishing character is very visible.

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