

STONE EXTRACTION AND PROCESSING

Exploitation of stone in Jablanica began back in year 1922. Through history Jablanica granite became symbol of all that is hardest, eternal, indestructible and beautiful. Not rain, winds and sea waves can change its constancy, beauty, hardness and durability, even after hundreds of years.

Going to basics, stone is mostly connected to craftsmanship, technique and skills for processing and installments that borders with art and leaves no one indifferent.

CONSTRUCTION OF STONE PROCESSING CENTER (COK)

Development of companies for stone extraction and processing, trade in stone and tools for stone processing, stone carving and installing jobs and improvement of competitiveness are strategic goals of Jablanica Municipality.

Jablanica develops processing of minerals available on the territory of the municipality. Goal is to make Jablanica recognizable as regional stone center. Idea for commencement of this project came from the companies in stone business. Idea is to develop a center that will ensure most quality education in stone exploitation and processing in Bosnia and Herzegovina and wider.

Besides providing best quality education, Center would also provide services of stone processing to all companies from Bosnia and Herzegovina. Center for stone processing will be located in the center of Šljunkara industrial zone.



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INVEST IN JABLANICA

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA



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BASIC INFORMATION

Proximity to the European Union border and good transport connections are characteristics that place Jablanica among municipalities with a favorable geostrategic position.

Coordinates: 43° 39' 35" N 17° 46' 12" E

Location: South-East Europe, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Population: 10.111

Area: 301 km²

Elevation: 202 meters above sea level

Budget: € 4.602.302 with 35% dedicated for capital investments

Average temperatures: Summer—from 20°C to 24°C, Winter—up to 5°C

Time zone: CET (GMT +1)

Area code: (+387) 36

Currency: BAM

Exchange rate: 1€ = 1.95583 BAM

VAT: 17%

Profit tax: 10%

TRANSPORT CONNECTIONS

The municipality is located at the intersection of main roads Sarajevo–Mostar and Mostar–Banja Luka and regional routes Jablanica–Posušje and Ostrožac–Fojnica.

Distance from major cities:

Mostar46 km

Sarajevo83 km

Banja Luka185 km

Tuzla189 km

Closest international airports

Sarajevo (B&H)83 km

Split (Croatia).....162 km

Tuzla (B&H).....189 km

Dubrovnik (Croatia)202 km

Zagreb (Croatia).....371 km

Closest international ports

Ploče (Croatia)115 km

Split (Croatia).....162 km

Brčko (B&H).....250 km

Closest border crossings to EU

Doljani.....92 km

Bijača.....100 km

Kamensko.....132 km

WHY INVEST IN JABLANICA?

- Time for issuing permits is 48 hours from the moment of acquiring all necessary documentation
- Introduced information „System 48“ used for solving problems of citizens and business community in 48 hours
- „Šljunkara“ industrial zone and 13 planned zones
- Established intensive communication between public and private sector through Municipality Council for competitiveness
- Jablanica Municipality continuously works on improvement and efficiency of the administration and improvement of services for citizens and business community

MOST IMPORTANT INCENTIVES AND SUBSIDIES

Financial incentives of the Municipality for:

- Start-up and new companies
- Commerce, tourism and hospitality services
- Craft businesses
- Industrial production for strategic sector (stone processing)
- Subsidies and support to registered agricultural producers of organic food
- Co-funding of joint participation at fairs

BUSINESS FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

- Proximity to the European Union and access to market with 600 million citizens
- Free trade agreements CEFTA and EFTA
- Excellent connection with Adriatic Sea (Ploče port) and the rest of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Stimulating tax policy on state level
- Potential for granite stone exploitation and long tradition in stone processing
- Potential for development of rural, mountain, hunting and fishing, and cultural and historical tourism
- Great conditions for organic agricultural production
- Qualified workforce adaptable to the needs of the market
- Spatial planning documentation envisages establishment of 13 economic zones
- Municipality incentives adapted to the needs of private sector
- Efficient local administration

JABLANICA GRANITE

Today, many recognize Jablanica by granite, popular "gabbro", unusual hard black volcano stone, that found its place across Europe, America and Australia. If you wonder what is the reason behind this fact, answer is given by the great world artist Ivan Meštrović who described granite from Jablanica as: *"indestructible, eternal and more durable than basalt monuments of Nubia and the Egyptian pyramids"*

All cities that wish to create something eternal, monumental, recognizable and for all times ask for granite.

Various machines and famous craftsman shape granite into all desirable forms and products which get their new life and travel the world to their destination.

Hundred-years tradition in stone processing and unique properties of the granite stone make Jablanica a region center in that segment. Thanks to its quality Jablanica granite stone has been used for construction of Vienna Opera House, United Nations building in New York, Justice building in Budapest, grand hotel on Jalta, train station in Sarajevo and many others.

Mineable reserves of "gabbro" granite are estimated at 800,000 m³.

There are 19 businesses in Jablanica engaged in stone processing, stone carving and installation.