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HISTORICAL FACTS AND CONTEXTS



Habitation of the territory and its significance

- **prehistoric period –**



Finding the skull fills
„Homo neandertalensis“

- **migrations + colonization waves :**
 - 4 – 3 th century BC. - Celts, oppidum
 - 5 -6th century – the end of migration of nation -
 - 11 – 16th century – Hungarian colonization
 - 12 – 18th century - German colonization (4 waves)
 - 14- 17th century - Wallachian colonization
 - 17 th other ethnicities

- **crossing of historic trade routes :**
 - Amber way
 - Czech way
 - Magna via



Via Bohemica



- **Prague - Budin** (hun. Buda; today Budapest)
- crossed the **southwest of Slovakia**
- was part of a longer European journey from the **Bosphorus to the Atlantic Ocean**
- **in 1335/1336** officially recognized by Karl Róbert (Hungarian king) + Ján Luxemburg (czech king)
strategic importance already in **Great Moravia**



the area of Great Moravia



today's appearance the way – Prievaly, SK



Ostrý Kameň - passage through the small Carpathians

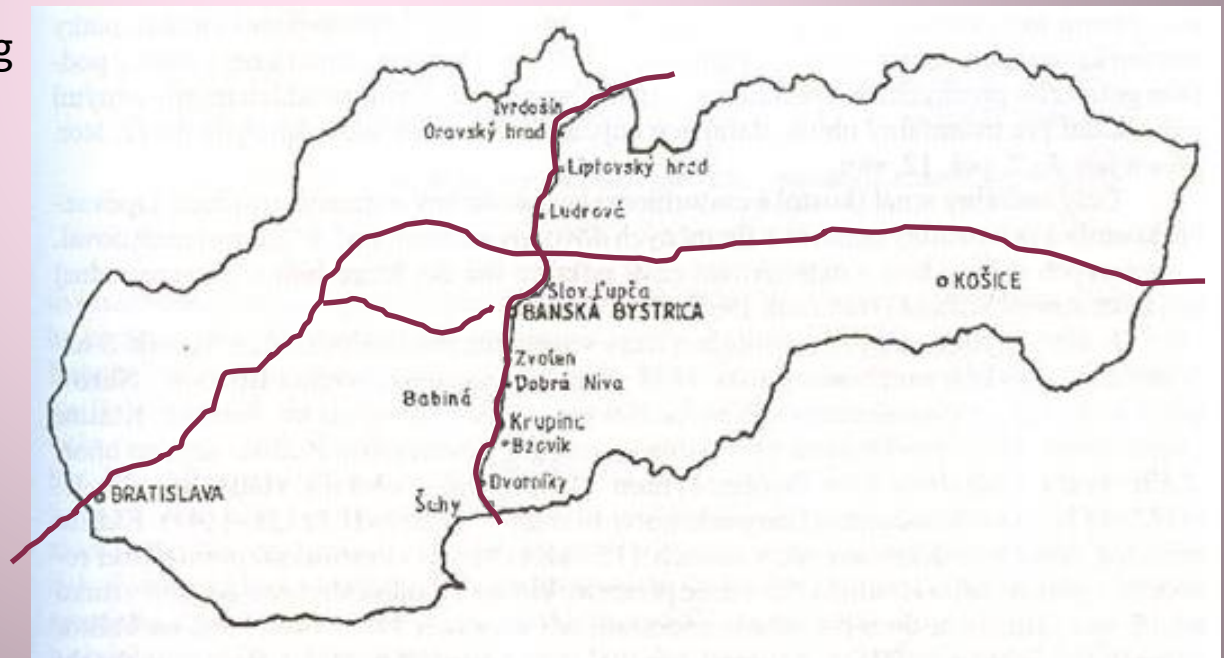
Amber way



- **Aquileia** (Jadran) - **Emona** (Ljubljana) - Savaria (Szobmbately) – Carnuntum (Hainburg) – Devín – Moravian gate – Vroclaw - Calisia (Kalisy) - a Torun - **Balt** (the mouth of the Visla River)
- crossed the **southwest of Slovakia** „Devín gate“ - led along the Little and White Carpathians to Bohemia
- Ptolemaios menchioned it
- Transportation - amber, animals, fur, leather, feathers, slaves in the South and glassware, bronze, silver to the North
- the most used since the **end of the 7th century BC to the 5th century**

Magna via (Austria– Hungary)

- major imperial - royal postal route
- very important especially after the battle at Mohac (1526) - breaking the connection of Vienna with the mining towns (BŠ, BB, Kremnica)
- the longest post and road, built in 1550
- Vienna – Mukacevo – Debrecen - Hermannstadt (Sibiu, RO)
- 18th century - expansion + developing (station for horses, taverns with accommodation)
- their arrival was announced by a trumpet that has remained the symbol of the post.



Fortifications and Castles - defense and road safety



Diversity of urban and rural architekture - Profane architecture



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Archaeological finds and locations



Bzovík, fortified monastery



Sitno, ruin



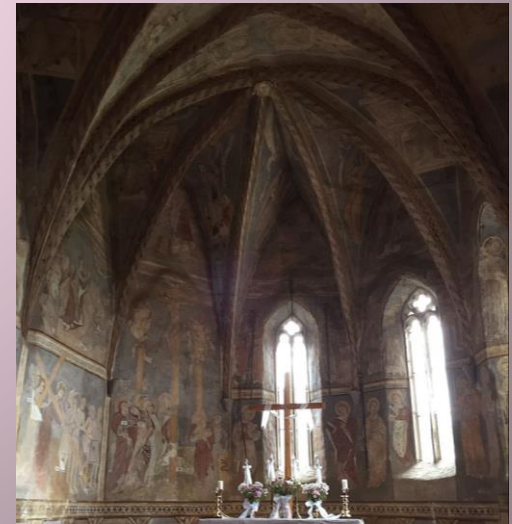
fortified dwelling

Sacral buildings

- monasteries, churches, chapels, calvary



Medieval churches (Gemer) – beauty of Gothic



Industry and technical monuments



Historic regions of Slovakia



Historické regióny Slovenska - Historic regions of Slovakia



Sources of livelihood



winemaking, agriculture

catle + domestic animals
breeding,



forest management



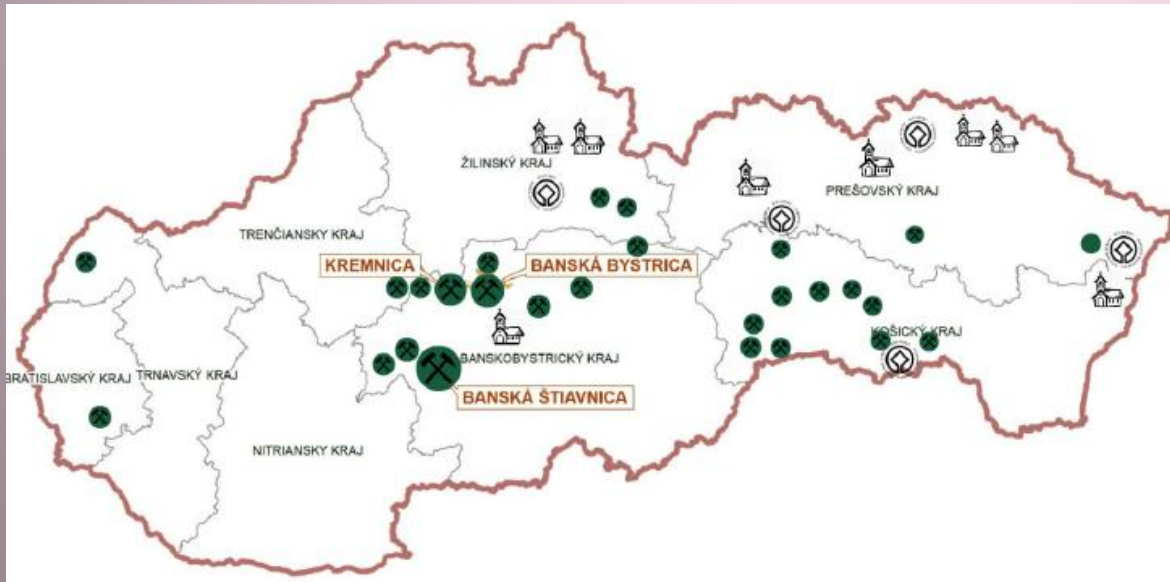
shepherding sheep
horse breeding,



transport of wood along the water and in the mountains



Mining of ores and minerals



Craftsmanship and livelihood



wire products



Blacksmith - iron and metal products (horseshoe, lock, iron cross, gargoyle, decorative fittings,...)



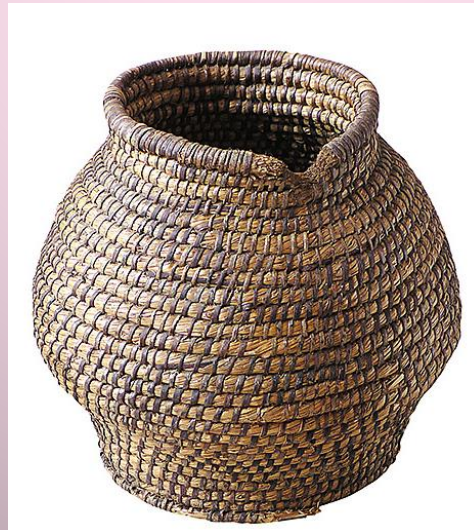
Glass products – bottles, pepettes, wineglasses ...



Clay products, ceramics



Straw products



Blueprint



Leather products - furry, garbiar manufacture of pipes



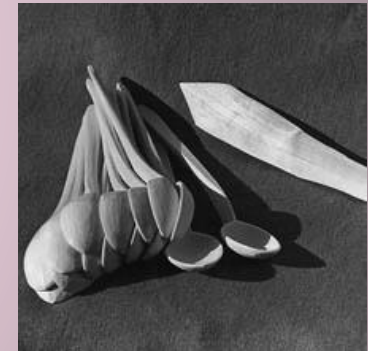
Laces, embroidery



Spinning, weaving, combing the feathers



wooden products — bowl, cup, trough, teaspoons, wooden crosses, whistles, fujara



Puppetry



Folk costumes



Dances, singing



Slovak traditional dishes — gingerbread,

potato gnocchi with sheep cheese and bacon, smoked cheese, pasties from potato and buckwheat flour, gnocchi with poppy



Customs, rituals



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The diversity of the cultural expression of the nation The Carpathians are our common wealth.



Thank for your attention

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