



Plovdiv is the second largest city in the Republic of Bulgaria after Sofia and ranks 83rd by population in the European Union. This is the administrative centre of the South Central Planning Region, the District of Plovdiv and the four municipalities: Plovdiv, Maritsa, Rodopi, and Kuklen. The city is an important economic, transport, cultural, and educational centre for the whole country.

Plovdiv is a city with population of 379,493 people. [1] It is situated in the central part of Northern Thrace, on the two banks of the



Antique Amphitheatre

Maritsa River. It is located some 15 km north of the Rodopi Mountains and 50 km south of Stara Planina. The city is situated at the feet of seven syenite hills,

hence it is often called „The city on the hills“ or „The city on the seven hills“.

Plovdiv is the venue of a host of business and cultural

events, among which are the International Fair Plovdiv, The Stage at crossroads International Theatre Festival, the Golden Chest Television Festival, to name a few. A number of antiquity monuments have been preserved in the city, among which are the Antique Amphitheatre, The Roman Odeon, the Agora (Roman forum), The Roman Theater, the late antiquity building of Eyrene and many others. In the 12th century BC, the prehistoric settlement on the Guards' Hill (Nebet teppe) grew into the ancient Thracian town of Evmolpia to be one of the first urban centres in South-East Europe. Remains of that city can still be seen today.

The hotels



Hotel Novotel Plovdiv, where the contestants are accommodated, is situated on the Northern bank of the Maritsa River in close proximity to International Fair Plovdiv, the city centre and the Old Town. An added value is the serene and friendly neighbourhood with its tasteful and modern business buildings contributing to the ennobling of the surrounding urban environment.



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Park-Hotel Sankt Peterburg hosts for a week the guests of the Olympiad, as well as the team leaders. This is the tallest, the most modern complex in Plovdiv has an air of bears the classical sophistication of the city. Situated in the heart of Plovdiv, the hotel creates the atmosphere of unique harmony, aesthetics, comfort, and modern European style.



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