



How many oceans is Russia washed by? What are they?
 How many seas is Russia washed by? What are they?
 How many countries does Russia border on? What are they?
 Does Russia have sea borders?



What types of scenery can be found on the territory of Russia?

What types of trees are widespread in Russian forests?

What are the most famous Russian trees?





Fauna

What animal is usually considered as a symbol of Russia?

What Russian animals are in Red book?

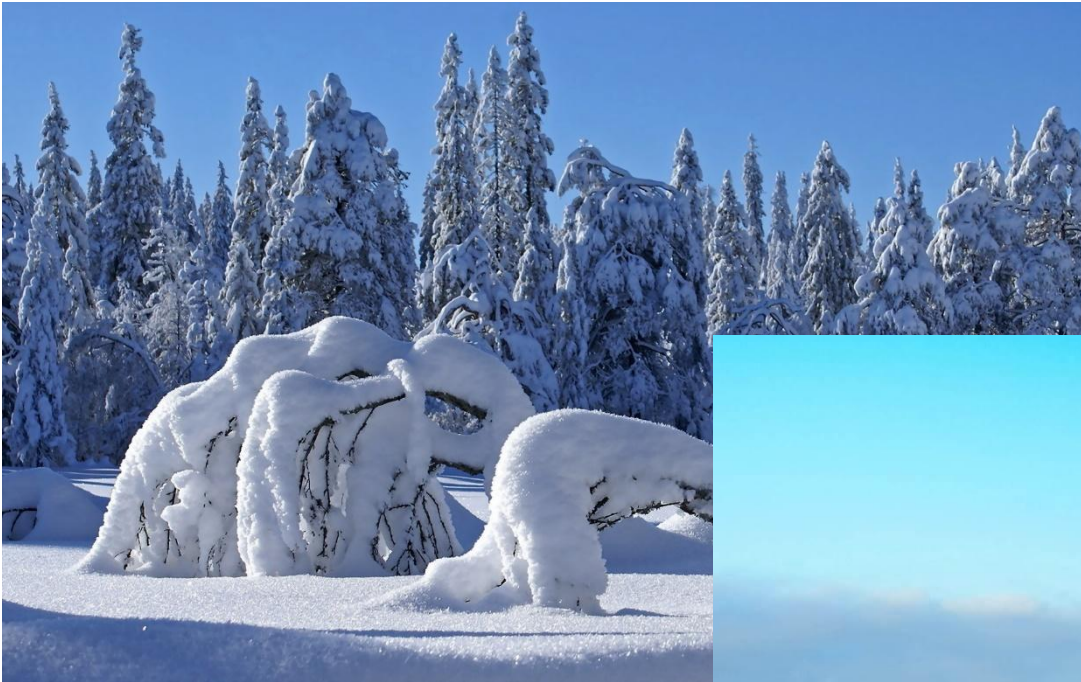


What are the highest mountains in Russia?

What are the biggest rivers in Russia?

What is the most well-known lake situated in Russia and what is it famous for?





How many time zones are there in Russia?

What types of climate are there in Russia?

What climate is in the north and in the south of Russia?





What types of mineral raw materials are mined in Russia?

What industries are developed in the Russian Federation?



The Russian Federation

The Russian Federation is the largest country in the world. It occupies about one-seventh of the Earth surface.

The Russian Federation is a multinational state. It comprises many national districts, several autonomous republics and regions. The population of the country is about 140 million people.

Russian is the official language of the state.

The national symbols of the Russian Federation are a white-blue-red banner and a double-headed eagle.

The country is situated in Eastern Europe, Northern and Central Asia.

Its total area is over 17 million square kilometres.

Our land is washed by 12 seas, most of which are the seas of three oceans: the Arctic, the Atlantic and the Pacific.

In the south and in the west the country borders on fourteen countries. It also has a sea-border with the USA.

There are no countries in the world where such a great variety of flora and fauna can be found as in our land. Our country has numerous forests, plains and steppes, taiga and tundra, highlands and deserts.

In Russian forests you can see deciduous and coniferous trees. The most famous Russian trees are birches, oaks, pines and fir trees (spruce).

The highest mountains in our land are the Altai, the Urals and the Caucasus.

There are over two thousand rivers in the Russian Federation. The longest of them are the Volga, the Ob, the Yenisei, the Lena and the Amur.

Our land is also rich in lakes with the deepest lake in the world, the Baikal, included.

On the Russian territory there are 11 time zones. The climate conditions are rather different: from arctic and moderate to continental and subtropical. Our country is one of the richest in natural resources countries in the world: oil, natural gas, coal, different ores, ferrous and non-ferrous metals and other minerals, etc.

The basis of the Russian economy is the extraction, processing and export of various types of mineral raw materials.

The food industry is relatively well developed, oriented mainly to the domestic market. Other important sectors of the economy include the oil refining industry, metallurgical production, chemical production, engineering (defense industry, automotive, railway and agricultural machinery).