



**Digital Nomadism in Tourism** 

# Introduction to Digital Nomadism in Montenegro

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- Overview of Montenegro's growing popularity as a digital nomad destination.
- The role of digital nomads in the global workforce and their flexibility in choosing locations.
- Key factors driving the attraction of Montenegro to digital nomads.







### Growth of Digital Nomadism in Montenegro

- Statistics: Over 10,000 digital nomads visited Montenegro in 2023.
- Factors driving growth: Natural beauty, affordable living costs, and improving infrastructure.
- Government recognition and initiatives to support this trend.







#### Favorable Business and Legal Framework

- Introduction of a special digital nomad visa in 2021.
- The visa allows foreign workers to stay and work in Montenegro for up to one year.
- Attractive tax benefits and low living costs compared to Western countries.







#### Support for Local Communities

- Integration of local communities with the influx of digital nomads.
- Key steps taken in cities like Podgorica, Budva, and Tivat.
- Enhancing infrastructure (e.g., coworking spaces, internet facilities) and supporting local businesses.
- Nomads' contribution to small businesses, tourism, and local economies.
- Increased spending on accommodation, food, transportation, and services.
- Example: Boost in local cafes, coworking spaces, and restaurants in tourist cities like Kotor and Budva.







## Challenges in Attracting and Retaining Digital Nomads

- Seasonal tourism: Digital nomads tend to leave during the winter months, affecting economic activity.
- Internet infrastructure challenges in some areas, although major cities are well-equipped.
- Income and cost-of-living differences between nomads and the local workforce.







#### Seasonal Tourism and Economic Impact

- The impact of digital nomads' seasonal presence on Montenegro's economy.
- The struggle of maintaining economic activity during the off-season months.
- Strategies to address the seasonal nature of the digital nomad trend.







#### <u>Issues with Internet Infrastructure</u>

- The need for high-quality internet access in less urbanized areas.
- How Montenegro's major cities meet the demands of digital nomads but rural areas need improvement.
- Ongoing efforts to address these gaps in infrastructure.







#### Integration with Local Workforce

- Challenges of integrating digital nomads with the local labor market.
- The disparity in wages and living costs between nomads and locals.
- Potential solutions to bridge this gap for a more harmonious community.







#### Conclusion and Future Outlook

- Montenegro's potential to become a global hub for digital nomads.
- Opportunities for economic growth and strengthening the country's position on the global tourist map.
- Addressing challenges to ensure sustainable growth in the digital nomad sector.







### Questions & Answers

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