

## Living and working in Belgrade

A February 26<sup>th</sup> 2026 Daily Telegraph article described Belgrade,

“As one of Europe’s most dynamic cities, a capital transforming centuries of complexity into a vibrant cultural destination”.

Belgrade is a lovely place to live and work with a friendly, largely English speaking population. The Serbian capital is escaping the shadow of its 1990s conflicts and over the past decade, its vitality and creativity have picked up pace, with new galleries revitalizing derelict warehouses in Savamala and major museums reopening. A vibrant café culture sits alongside a diverse food culture, ranging through traditional Serbian cuisine, street food and great pizza to many Michelin starred restaurants.



Alongside this, the buildings of Belgrade are an architectural parade, spanning from the Romantic style through Art Nouveau and Deco, to the very modern polished marble and steel and all in between. It is a fascinating urban landscape built to wander around. In the centre of the old town, you have the lovely park of the Kalemegdan Fortress, with amazing views of the Danube, from where you can drop down to the Sava promenade and enjoy wonderful walks, perhaps taking in the biggest shopping centre in the Balkans and its many riverside restaurants.

Young Serbians are pouring energy into everything from specialty coffee roasteries and bakeries to contemporary art and cultural spaces that attract the best of Serbian and international talent. Its nightlife is now renowned throughout Europe from theatre to clubs. There are also plenty of opportunities to watch and play sport with a multitude of professional and leisure based clubs, including a number offering the on trend padel.

Spring and Autumn are warm and pleasant, with Summer warmer still. The Winter is cold, with a possibility of snow but not comparable to the worst of north European countries. Public transport is good and getting better, and you can easily connect to all parts of the city and beyond. The quality of life is good but the cost of living is below that of other major European cities.



The Dedinje area, around the school, is green and leafy with calm streets, luxury villas, foreign embassies, and historic royal compounds. The school's staff are a welcoming group, professional and international in outlook. The school pupil body is predominantly international or dual nationality Serbian/ international. Many are the children of diplomatic families. Dedinje has a pleasant feel and is a safe area in Belgrade which itself is a safe city when compared to others worldwide.

