

Year 4 Red Kites Geography Autumn 2

Mediterranean Europe



Map of Mediterranean Europe

Key Vocabulary	Definition
agriculture	Food and crops grown in an area.
border	A physical or political line that separates geographic areas.
capital city	The main city in a Country. The capital of England is London.
climate	The weather system in an area.
ecosystem	Community of plants or animals found in a particular place.
equator	An imaginary line around the centre of the earth. 0° latitude.
Europe	A continent that the United Kingdom is in.
Gulf Stream	A current of warm water that flows from the Gulf of Mexico in Central America, across the Atlantic Ocean to Europe.
human geography	Study of people and their communities, cultures, economies and how they interact with the environment.
inhabit	To live or dwell in a place.
Mediterranean Europe	An area of Europe near the Mediterranean Sea.
mountain ranges	A line of mountains.
peninsular	A region of land that sticks out into a body of water with water on three sides.
physical geography	Geographical features that appear naturally and are not man-made.
population	The number of people living in a certain place.

Mediterranean Countries

The Mediterranean Sea is the body of water that separates Europe, Africa and Asia. The Mediterranean Sea is connected to the Atlantic Ocean by a narrow passage called the Strait of Gibraltar. It is between the southern tip of Spain and northern Morocco. The countries surrounding the Mediterranean in clockwise order are Spain, France, Monaco, Italy, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Albania, Greece, Turkey, Syria, Lebanon, Israel, Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Algeria, and Morocco; Malta and Cyprus are island countries in the sea.

Country	Croatia	France	Greece	Italy	Malta	Portugal	Spain	Turkey
Capital City	Zagreb	Paris	Athens	Rome	Valetta	Lisbon	Madrid	Ankara
Language	Croatian	French	Greek	Italian	Maltese	Portuguese	Spanish	Turkish
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Why do people visit Mediterranean countries?

The Mediterranean region is particularly popular as a holiday destination because of the mild climate and physical features (beaches, mountains and lakes). People visit the cities in this region because of its human features e.g. Leaning Tower of Pisa, Parthenon, Colosseum and La Sagrada Familia. The climate in the Mediterranean, is warmer than England, so it allows different foods to be grown.