

INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

Angličtina: Australia - Geography

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Způsob využití	Snímky seznamují se základními zeměpisnými fakty o Austrálii. Vše je doplněno o ilustrace a fotografie. V průběhu kontrolní otázka a odpověď.
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Basic facts

- 7, 686 million sq km / 6th largest in the world /
- situated in the Southern hemisphere
- washed by the Pacific, Indian and Southern Oceans
- The smallest, flattest, driest and least populated continent
- called Down Under
- consists of 6 states and 2 territories

Do you know that about Australia ?

- Australia has more beaches than any other nation
- The national hazards include cyclones, forest fires and severe droughts.
- Eucalyptus - the fastest growing tree in the world / 10 m per year /
- The nearest country - Papua New Guinea
- The national flower - a wattle
- The major colours of the countryside :
 - red / Red Centre /
 - blue / the sky /
 - green / rainforests, eucalyptus trees /
- Australia follows a decimal currency
 - 5, 10, 20, 50 cent coins
 - 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 dollar notes

The landscape

- hills, mountains, deserts, rainforests, wonderful beaches
- 3 main parts:
 - Western Plateau
 - Central Lowlands
 - Eastern Highlands
- 2/3 of the continent is desert / Gibson, Great Victoria, Great Sandy /
- mountain ranges in the South East and Tasmania / The Blue and Snowy Mountains
- the highest mountain – Mt. Kosciusco /2,228m, the A. Alps/
- lowlands stretch from QLD down to NSW and VIC



The Blue Mountains

The Snowy Mountains



Big Red – The Simpson Desert

Do you know the answers?

1. What does Australia consist of?
2. How much of the country is desert?
3. Which part of Australia is the hottest in summer?
4. What is the highest mountain ?
Where is it?

The answers

1. 6 states and 2 territories
2. 2/3
3. The outback / The Red Centre /
4. Mt. Kosciusco The Australian Alps

The climate

- tropical , subtropical, temperate
- in the North – 2 seasons / wet and dry /
November – April heavy rains
June - October sunny , dry
- Tasmania - wetter and cooler
- the outback - often above 50 degrees C
- the seasons are opposite to our country

Transport

➤ by car

- the Pacific Highway / Sydney – the Gold Coast/
- the Stuart Highway / Darwin – Augusta/ SA/
- the Eyre Highway / Perth – Adelaide /

➤ by train

- the Ghan / Adelaide - Darwin /
- the Indian – Pacific / Sydney - Perth /

➤ by plane



Transcontinental

trains



Economy

- **rich in minerals / gold, silver, diamonds, iron ore, zinc, copper, oil, .../**
- **wheat, wool / $\frac{1}{4}$ of the world's production /, wine, fruit**
- **cattle and sheep breeding**
- **export - Asia, the USA**
- **70 % population - in services**

Resources

- www.en.wikipedia.org/australia
- www.en.wikipedia.org/australia/economy
- www.en.wikipedia.org/transportinaustralia