

Alpha by the River

"I wish I had a river so long. I would teach my feet to fly" Joni Mitchell. Alpha Woodward once lived in a float home near the mouth of the Fraser River, an industrial, satiated and muddy brown confluence of urban waste and nutrient rich soil. But in 2004 Alpha moved to Bosnia and Herzegovina where another river, the Naretva, entered her life. This tempestuous and willful raging torrent that rushes through the town of Mostar, inspires much of this blog. ...but there is more here than rivers

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Mystical landscapes inspire notions of unicorns and other mystical creatures....

There is a universal notion of mystical landscapes that appear in childhood stories everywhere in the world. I am certain that many of them must have been spawned here in the Balkans.



Maybe Rory from Scotland is a young man who does not believe in unicorns....

But enjoys exploring the possibilities....



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But no camera can capture the spell Bosnia and Hercegovina casts - particularly the landscape in the north eastern region. It wraps around you like a magical cloak - verdent greens, fields of corn, rolling hills that intrude into the sky and cow bells ringing as the cows make their way home for milking - peaceful sheep munching away in the pastures that are carved from the deep green forests..... and it all feels so close and personal - like it touches you - and you touch it and it belongs to you. The irony of this amazing country is its perfect idyllic setting shaped by - and

disrupted by - beautiful, stupid humanity. You must see it. I will never forget it - and I have been a lot of places.

Posted by [Alpha By The River](#) at 11:09 AM 



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[iamreesse](#) said...



hey nice shot ! i admire the place so much it seems so unexploited . thank you and may i ask where is this place located?

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[mostarmomma](#) said...



Thank you for leaving a comment - and I agree that this area is totally unexploited (so rare and special) Its rugged aesethic beauty is quite magical. The locals refer to the waterfalls as Kravica and they are near Caplinje in BiH. Well worth the exploration to find.

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