**Year 4 – Southern and Eastern Europe – Knowledge Organiser**

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| **Vocabulary** | **Definition** |
| Mediterranean | From the latin word meaning ‘middle of the land’ |
| Europe | A continent located between Asia and the Atlantic Ocean |
| country | A nation with its own government |
| continent | A large solid area of land |
| capital city | A city in a country where the government functions |
| climate zone | An area that has its own distinct climate |
| environmental regions | A specific area that has common features |
| human features | things made or built by humans like cities, houses, roads, bridges, |
| latitude lines | We use lines of latitude to find out how far north or south a place is. These lines run parallel to the Equator. |
| physical features | natural features on Earth’s surface |
| tundra | A large, barren region with no trees |
| mountainous | A region that has many mountains |
| topographical features | The shape of physical features on a surface |



**Southern Europe**

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| Country | Capital city |
| Italy | Rome |
| Spain | Madrid |
| Portugal | Lisbon |
| Greece | Athens |
| Turkey | Ankara |
| Malta | Valletta |

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| **Southern Europe - things to know**  **Climate**  Southern Europe has a **Mediterranean climate**, which features warm to hot, dry summers and cool to mild winters and frequent sunny skies. |

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| **Eastern Europe - things to know**  Eastern Europe is the eastern part of the European continent.  • Eastern Europe is dominated by Russia and the countries formerly a part of the Soviet Union.  • Eastern Europe is surrounded by four seas – Caspian Sea, Black Sea, Adriatic Sea and Baltic Sea  **Climate**  Eastern Europe is classified as having a Continental climate, which features warm to hot summers and cold winters. |

**Eastern Europe**



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| **Country** | **Capital city** |
| [Belarus](https://worldpopulationreview.com/countries/belarus-population) | Minsk |
| [Bulgaria](https://worldpopulationreview.com/countries/bulgaria-population) | Sofia |
| Czechia | Nicosia |
| [Hungary](https://worldpopulationreview.com/countries/hungary-population) | Budapest |
| [Moldova](https://worldpopulationreview.com/countries/moldova-population) | Chisinau |
| [Poland](https://worldpopulationreview.com/countries/poland-population) | Warsaw |
| Romania | Bucharest |
| Russia | Moscow |
| Slovakia | Bratislava |
| Ukraine | Kiev |

