

BIODIVERSITY of DRIN BASIN



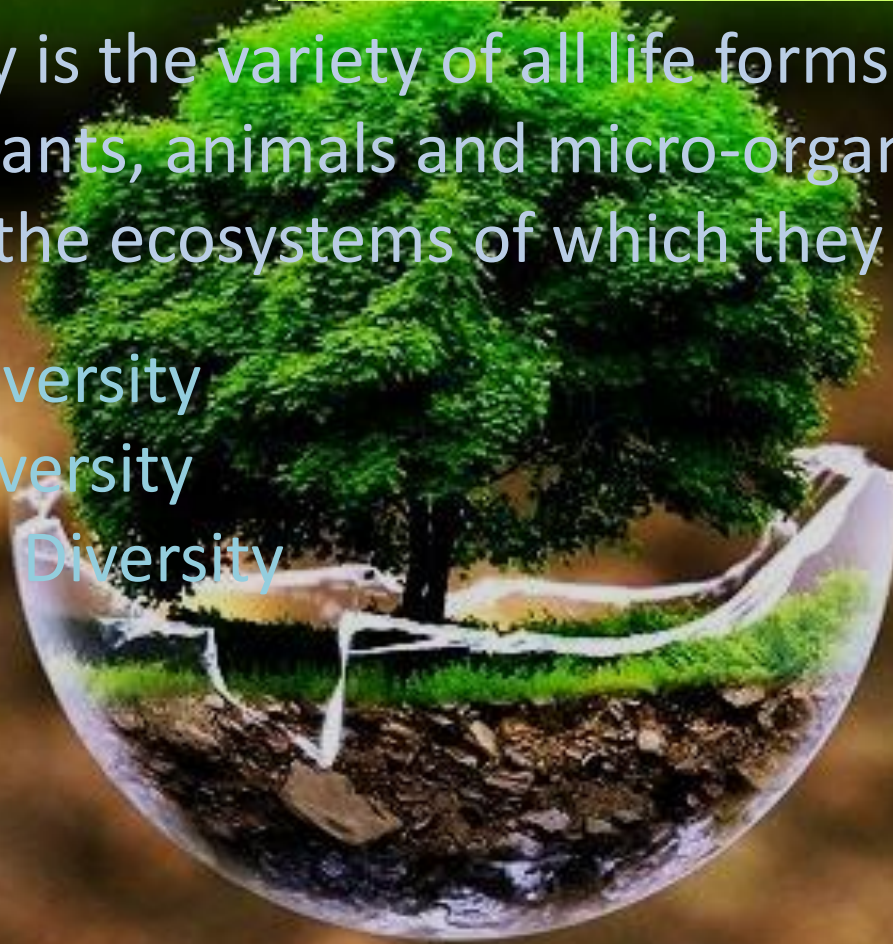
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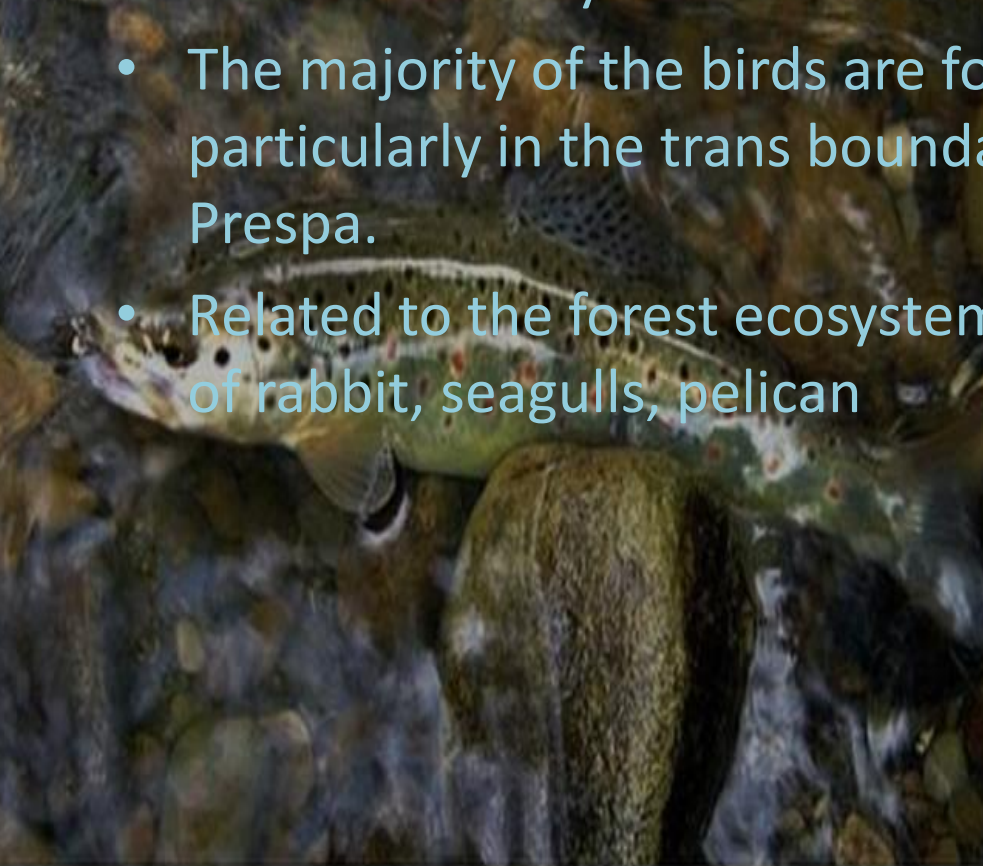
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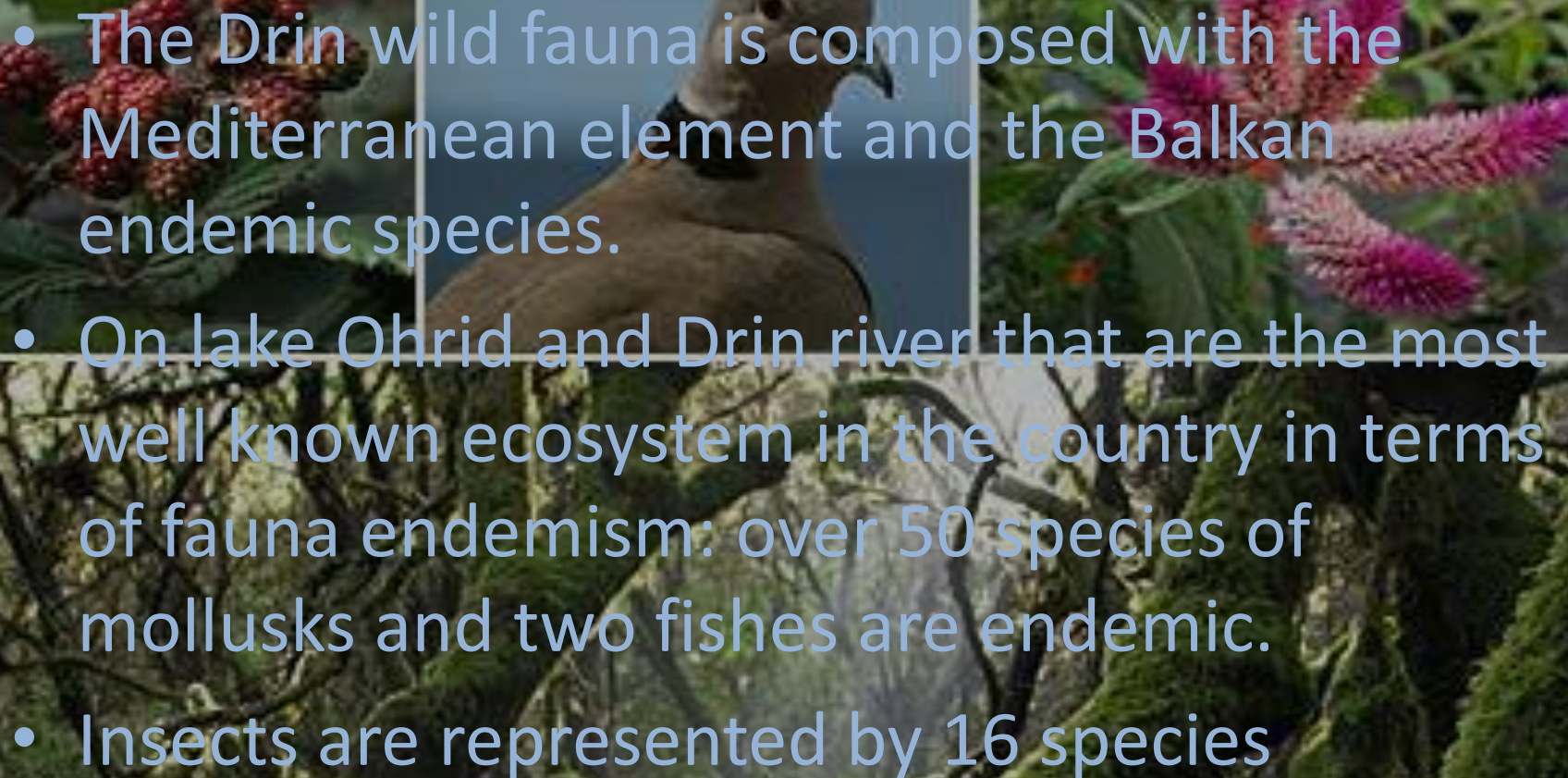
- Biodiversity is the variety of all life forms: the different plants, animals and micro-organisms, their genes and the ecosystems of which they are part
- Genetic Diversity
- Species Diversity
- Ecosystem Diversity



Drin Basin biodiversity

- A well known fish on Ohrid lake, Koran is one of the many reasons this area it is highly desired by people and has its own role in economy.
- The majority of the birds are found in the wetlands particularly in the trans boundary lakes of Shkodra, Ohrid and Prespa.
- Related to the forest ecosystem: the Balkan lynx, special type of rabbit, seagulls, pelican



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- The Drin wild fauna is composed with the Mediterranean element and the Balkan endemic species.
 - On lake Ohrid and Drin river that are the most well known ecosystem in the country in terms of fauna endemism: over 50 species of mollusks and two fishes are endemic.
 - Insects are represented by 16 species

Flora & Fauna

What to know more?

- The Drin and its surrounding mountainous areas have a great variety of flora and fauna.
 - About 30 species of crops are native to Albania, and 4 of them are extended on the Drin Basin.



- There is a massive number of medical and aromatic plants, which represent about 4% of the Albanian flora.

The Importance of the eco-friendly area

Human



Food

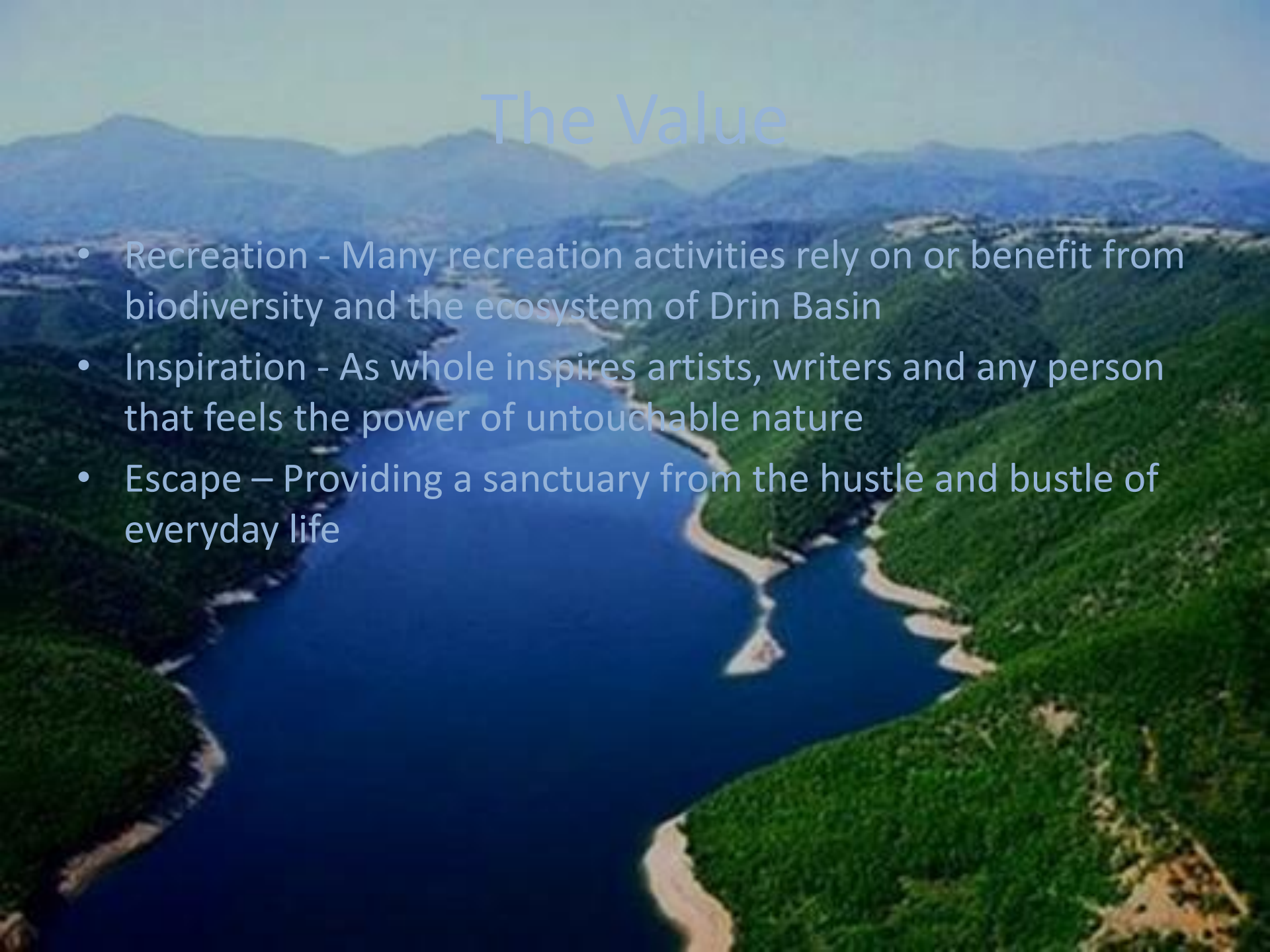


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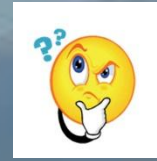


The Value

- Recreation - Many recreation activities rely on or benefit from biodiversity and the ecosystem of Drin Basin
- Inspiration - As whole inspires artists, writers and any person that feels the power of untouchable nature
- Escape – Providing a sanctuary from the hustle and bustle of everyday life



Possible Threats



- Habitat loss and fragmentation
- Competition from invasive species
- Pollution
- Global climate change
- Population growth and over consumption
- Unsustainable use of natural resources



How can we protect it

- Consume conscientiously
- Educate yourself about pesticides
- Increase biodiversity in urban landscapes



(your opinion matters)

And a thank you goes to
you for listening!

