

The **Golden Gate of Kyiv** ([Ukrainian](#): Золоті ворота, Zoloti vorota) was the main gate in the 11th century fortifications of [Kiev \(today Kyiv\)](#), the capital of [Kievan Rus'](#). It was named in imitation of the [Golden Gate](#) of [Constantinople](#). The structure was dismantled in the [Middle Ages](#), leaving few vestiges of its existence. It was rebuilt completely by the Soviet authorities in 1982, though no images of the original gates have survived. The decision has been immensely controversial because there were many competing reconstructions of what the original gate might have looked like.^[1]