

# 16 Days Sofia-Bucharest-Iasi-Chisinnau-Vinnysta-Lviv-Krakov-Budapest-Sarajevo-Ulcinj-Tirana-Skopje-Bitola-Kalambaka-Thessaloniki

**VALIDITY : 05.10.2019 to 31.05.2020**

## Itinerary

### **Day 1 SIN – Doha – Thessaloniki Thessaloniki city tour – Sofia ( 300 km )**

Arrival Thessaloniki and eat our lunch in the hearth of city. After lunch we make panoramic city tour of Thessaloniki. White tower , Agios Dimirius church, Rotanta ( old bektashi tekke ), Aristoteles square. Later we drive bus Sofia. Overnight and dinner at Sofia

### **Day 2 Sofia – Veliki Tarnovo – Bucharest 420 km**

Early morning we drive bus to Bucuresthi. We stop lunch time PLOVDIV to eat our lunch and drive bus Bucuresti. Afternoon we will begin city tour of Bucurest. Bucharest city tour will start with a drive through Piata Unirii and reach the Palace of the Parliament, the largest building in Europe, currently hosting the Romanian Parliament. Also known as the [People's House](#), the massive building has 12 stories and 8 underground levels, with the last one being an anti-atomic bunker that is linked to the main institutions of the city through 20km of catacombs.

Your visit includes a standard tour through the huge marble halls, and you will also climb on the roof of the building for some stunning views. You'll have the opportunity to admire the city from the Parliament's terrace, and you will enjoy your lunch at a 200-year old traditional Romanian restaurant.

Fun fact: The Palace of the Parliament's volume exceeds that of the Great Pyramid of Giza by 2%, thus some consider it a "pharaonic" construction. Due to its weight, the building sinks by 6mm each year.

In the second part of your city tour in Bucharest, we will drive through Calea Victoriei in order to reach Bucharest Old Town, a place brimming with life and history. Calea Victoriei is one of the most important arteries of Bucharest, stretching for over 2.700 meters, from Piata Natiunilor Unite (United Nations Square) to Piata Victoriei (Victory Square). Once in Bucharest Old Town, we will take a sightseeing tour of this part of the city, filled with lively cafes and street food, and the most active area of the city at night.

Fun fact: Did you know that Bucharest also has an Arch of Triumph, just like Paris? This is one of the reasons why Bucharest is called Paris of the East. Our last visit will be at Bucharest's Village Museum, a genuine time portal to the realm of traditional medieval villages built in a unique architectural style. Even though it is located in the heart of Bucharest, near Herestrau Park, the surrounding nature helps you escape the noise and the rush of the city. Here, you will take a walking tour around the premises and take a look at what the traditional Romanian life looked like, in a village completely reconstructed with a church, a windmill, a watermill, and hundreds of folk arts and hand-crafted decorations. The [Village Museum](#) is an attraction that you just can't miss. After city tour we will go our hotel dinner and free time

### **Day 3 Bucharest – Sinai – Bran – Brasov – Iasi**

This is a small group full day tour from Bucharest to Transylvania on a very picturesque route through Carpathian Mountains allowing you to discover two of the most beautiful Romanian castles. On the way, you will stop in Sinaia mountain resort to visit Sinaia castle, known as Peles royal castle. Erected between 1873 and 1914, the monument has been the summer residence of the Romanian Royal family and it is the most visited museum in Romania. Bran Castle (14th century) has been serving for ages as a military fortress

controlling the entry route to Transylvania and it is nowadays frequently associated with Dracula's myth. On our way back, we will stop for a short walk in Brasov downtown, just to show you how a typical Transylvanian old city looked like, and to admire the most important sites of this beautiful city: The Council Square, The Council Tower, The Black Church (view from outside), The Rope Street, The White and Black Towers, The Schei Gate. After our tour we drive to Iasi. Overnight and dinner at Iasi.

#### **Day 4 Iasi - Chisinau**

Milestii Mici, Victory Memorial and Eternal Flame, Stephen the Great Monument, Afghan War Memorial To Sons of Motherland - Eternal Memory, Dormition of the Theotokos, Parliament of the Republic of Moldova, Chisinau City Hall, Philharmonic Hall, Chisinau Mosque, Monument to A.S. Pushkin, Colorful Alley, Memorial to Victims of Stalinist Repression, water tower, Holly Gate..

#### **Day 5 Chisinau – Vinnytsa**

After late breakfast we drive bus Vinnytsia. We will make city tour and we see Vinnytsia Water Tower, St. Nicolas Wooden Church, Monument in Honour of Ukraine Air Force Creation, St. Trinity Cave Church - Voroshylov's Bunker Later check in hotel. Dinner at hotel.

#### **Day 6 Vinnytsa – Lviv**

We drive bus one of the important city of Ukraine. Market Square, Lviv City Hall, Potocki Palace, Lviv Railway station, citadel, St. Yura Cathedral, Lviv Theater of Opera and Ballet, Adam Mickiewicz Monument, Chocolate Museum, Venice Palace, Lubomirski Palace, Zuchorowicz's Palace, Shopping Center Roksolana. After city tour free time and check in hotel.

#### **Day 7 Lviv – Krakow**

Krakow is the city of UNESCO HERITAGE list. We will visit Rynek Glowny, Wawel Kalesi, St. Mary Kilisesi, Sukiennice, Vistul river, Shindler's Factory (we remember the movie), Cave of Dragon, St. Florian gate, Barbican,

#### **Day 8 Krakow – Budapest**

Today we get up early because we will pass 4 border. Afternoon late we will be Budapest and we will make city tour. Danube River, Parliament House, Fisherman's Bastion, Szechenyi Chain Bridge, Castle Hill, Heroes' Square, Matthias Church, Liberty Bridge, Buda Castle after our tour free time at the city

#### **Day 9 Budapest – Sarajevo**

After breakfast drive bus to Sarajevo. Arrival Sarajevo begin to tour We visit City Hall/National Library Spite House Sarajevo fortresses Streets Bravadziluk and Kazandziluk (old handcrafts) Sebilj Street Saraci Morica han (caravan-saray) Ghazi Husrev Bey's Mosque and Maddressah Clock tower Sarajevo Assassination 1914 Ghazi Husrev Bey's Bazaar Sephardic neighbourhood and synagogues Cathedral of Holly Hearth of Jesus Synod Orthodox Church Eternal Flame. Overnight Sarajevo.

#### **Day 10 Sarajevo – Mostar - Ulcinj**

After breakfast We drive bus Mostar. On the way we stop Konjic. We visit **TITO s BUNKER**. This is old Nuclera head quarter of Old YUGOSLAVIJA. After our finish our tour we drive Jablanica. We stop lunch reason near the Neretva river and we will eat **SPIT ROASTED LAMB**. Following that, head out to Mostar, a picturesque city spanning a deep valley of the Neretva River. Follow your tour guide and amble along the magnificent Old Bridge for an extraordinary panorama over the river. Bask in the lively atmosphere of the Old Bazaar. After our tour we pass Montenegro and begin to Kotor tour. Upon arrival at Kotor, proceed for city tour visit Kotor City walls, Arms Square, Clock Tower, Prince's Palace, Napoleons Theatre, Cathedral of St. Tripun, Maritime Museum and Orthodox Square Depart to Ulcinj. Check in hotel. Dinner and overnight

#### **Day 11 Ulcinj Shkoder – Berat - Tirana**

After breakfast drive to Berat - a wonderful Museum town and UNESCO site. On the way stop in Durres for a quick visit of the amphitheatre considered the largest in the Balkans. Continue on to Berat a strikingly beautiful town representing the best of Ottoman architecture outside of Turkey. Visit the Fortress, Onufri Museum and several churches and

mosques. Onufri was an Albanian master painter of the 16th century who had a weakness for a particular red colour he used so much that it is known today as the Onufrian Red. Many of his wonderfully painted icons still remain in the museum while others can be found in churches in Albania and Greece where he worked. Berat is also known for its ties with religious practice, two of the oldest bibles in the world have been found here. One dates from the 6th century AD and the other from the 9th century AD. In the downtown we visit the Leaden Mosque, the King's Mosque, the Bachelor's Mosque and the Halveti Tekke. Overnight and dinner at Tirana.

#### **Day 12 Tirana – Prizren – Prishtina – Skopje**

Highway of Albania- Kosovo road we arrival Prizren . We visit tekke , Sadirvan Mosque and we eat our lunch here. After lunch we drive bus Macedonia city of Tetovo . We visit Alaca mosque and arrival Skopje. we make city tour of Skopje . 2 hours day sightseeing tour of Skopje with a professional local guide – a visit to the old railway station; the statue of Mother Teresa; the Stone Bridge; the Daut Pasha Baths National Gallery (Daut Pashin Amam); the Fortress Kale. The tour ends in a walk through the Old Skopje Bazaar

#### **Day 13 Skopje – Ohrid – Bitola -**

After breakfast we drive bus Ohrid. We visit Church "St. Sofia", built between the 11th and 14th century, was the seat of the Archbishop. "St. Clement", a classic Orthodox Byzantine church, dominating the Old Town, demonstrates the link between Byzantine and Italian Renaissance art. At "Plaoshnik", in the 9 the century, St. Clement of Ohrid founded the first University of Europe and educated 3.500 students, St. John at Kaneo, stands alone on a small promontory which juts out into the Lake at the western end of the Old Town, and provides spectacular panoramic views of the Lake and surrounding mountains, Samuil fortress, etc. Other visits include: Saint Painteleimon Church, The Holy Virgin of Peribleptos Church, Icon Gallery, . After a short walking tour we will have lunch at one of the many restaurants with a lovely view of the lake or city center. Afternoon a visit to the beautiful and popular Monastery of St Naum with new inns built in the last decade that make up the Hotel of Sveti Naum. The original church of the Holy Archangels was built in the early 10th century by St Naum and later it housed the tomb and relics of St Naum himself but today its remains are buried beneath the present 16th-century church. The source of the River Crna Drim which feeds the lake is nearby. After our program finished we drive bus Bitola ( Manastir) we will visit Old Ottoman Area and bazaar, the Isak Pasha mosque, and the Church of St. Dimitija will complete the Bitola sightseeing, Shrok sokak. Overnight and dinner at Bitola

#### **Day 14 Bitola – Thessaloniki**

Early morning we drive bus Florina. The city of Florina experienced an outstanding cultural and economical uplift around 1893 due to its railway connection with Thessaloniki. This wealth is perfectly encapsulated in the eclectic early 20th century edifices. Start your tour around the city with a visit to the Archaeological Museum standing next to the Railway Station. One of the Station's old buildings houses the Art Gallery that exhibits works of local artists. The landmark of the city is certainly its river, Sakoulevas, which one can walk along starting from Ioannou Arti Street. On the left bank of the river you can gaze at the Second Primary School, the House of Tegos Sapountzis (the first Mayor of the City, 1912), the workshops of two local artists, the Modern Art Museum and the House of Voyiatzis, where many scenes of Angelopoulos film "The Beekeeper" were filmed. On the opposite side still stands the three-storey "House of Peios", one of the most impressive traditional mansions of Florina. Continue your tour at the Dikeosinis (meaning Justice) Square, adorned with well-preserved public buildings, the old prison and the Turkish Baths. If you want to rest a bit, choose one of the hive cafes of Melas Pedestrian Street to indulge in a coffee or a delicious local specialty. Than we eat lunch and drive bus Thessaloniki.

Thessaloniki, historically also known as Salonica, is the second-largest city in Greece and the capital of the region of Central Macedonia. An area of great historic importance and a crossroad of so many civilaizations and cultures, can offer a selection of Thessaloniki private

and organised tours and shore excursions, including Thessaloniki city tour, day tour to Vergina , trips to Dion archaeological site or even Phillipi day tour for those interested not only in history but also to biblical and pilgrimage tours. Thessaloniki honorific title is, literally "co-capital", and stands as a reference to its historical status as the "co-reigning" city of the Byzantine Empire, alongside Constantinople. The city's name derived from the original appellation in Greek: Thessalo-niki, literally translating to "Thessalian Victory" and in origin the name of the princess, Thessalonike of Macedonia. We will visit White Tower, Aristoteles Square, Old town , ephta pirog, rotanta and check in hotel. Dinner and overnight in Thessaloniki.

**Day 15 Thessaaloniki – SKOPJE**

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<b>NO OF PERSONS</b>	<b>IN DBL PP</b>	<b>IN TRP PP</b>	<b>SINGLE SUPPLEMENT</b>
30 PAX	1624 EURO	1624 EURO	385 EURO
35 PAX	1561 EURO	1561 EURO	385 EURO
40 PAX	1515 EURO	1515 EURO	385 EURO
45 PAX	1479 EURO	1479 EURO	385 EURO
50 PAX	1451 EURO	1451 EURO	385 EURO

**HOTEL OPTIONS:**

<b>NIGHTS</b>	<b>CITY</b>	<b>HOTEL</b>	<b>ROOM TYPE</b>
NIGHT 01	SOFIA	RAMADA or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 02	BUCHAREST	MINERVA or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 03	IASI	RAMADA or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 04	CHISINNAU	DACIA or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 05	VINNYSTA	FRANCE or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 06	LVIV	RAMADA or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 07	KRAKOW	CENTRUM or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 08	BUDAPEST	GRAND HUNGARIA or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 09	SARAJEVO	EUROPA or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 10	ULCINJ	CONTINENTAL or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 11	TIRANA	WHITE DREAM or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 12	SKOPJE	CONTINENTAL or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 13	BITOLA	EPINAL or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 14	KALAMBAKA	LIKNON or SIMILAR	STANDARD
NIGHT 15	THESSALONIKI	PHILLIPION or SIMILAR	STANDARD

- **Above mentioned hotels are subject to availability and we are not holding any space for your group. If there is no availability in above proposed hotels at the time of confirmation, we have the right to propose you similar hotel category.**

**CHILD POLICY:**

- 03 – 06 years kid 35% discount from DBL PP rates
- 07 – 11 years kid 10% discount from DBL PP rates

**INCLUDED SERVICES:**

- ✓ 15 Nights Hotel Accomodation
- ✓ Daily Breakfast
- ✓ 15 Lunches at local restaurant
- ✓ 15 Dinners at restaurant
- ✓ English Speaking Guide through the itinerary
- ✓ Airport Transfers
- ✓ Transportation by modern A/C vehicle according to group size
- ✓ Entry fees to the mentioned sites in below itinerary

**EXCLUDED SERVICES:**

- Personal Expenses
- All International & Domestic Flight Tickets
- Drinks at Meals
- Tips for Guide & Driver (PP perday 3 EURO for Guide & PP perday 2 EURO for Driver)
- Visa & Insurance
- Porterage at Hotels & Airports
- City Taxes
- Any other services not mentioned above
- Domestic ticket ( Estimated )

**GENERAL NOTES:**

- All rates are in EURO and all rates have been calculated on the present VAT. Should the latter increase, prices will be adjusted accordingly.
- No luggage will be loaded inside the coach. This is a matter of PASSENGER SAFETY REGULATIONS (imposed by the local authorities as well as all insurance companies).

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