



Gems Of The Northern Balkans - 11 Days

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Trip Highlights

Zagreb-Belgrade-Craiova-Sibiu-Brasov-Bucharest

Detailed Itinerary

Day 01**Day 1, Saturday, Arrive in ZAGREB, CROATIA**

On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. The balance of the day is free. Dinner in your hotel. (D)

Meal: Dinner



Day 02**Day 2, Sunday, ZAGREB, CROATIA**

This morning, enjoy a city tour featuring the historic Upper Town, St. Mark's Church, St. Catherine's Church, the Cathedral, Parliament, and Government Palace. The rest of the day is at leisure to explore the winding streets of the old town or take an optional excursion to see the countryside. (B)

Meal: Breakfast

Day 03**Day 3, Monday, to BELGRADE, SERBIA**

After breakfast, we will drive you to Belgrade, the capital of Serbia. Dinner, overnight. (B,D)

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 04**Day 4, Tuesday, in BELGRADE**

After breakfast, full day excursion from Belgrade: Our first stop is Krusedol monastery, founded in the beginning of the 16th century and considered one of Serbia's most significant monasteries. Continue to Sremski Karlovci, a picturesque town with its baroque and neoclassical houses and buildings. After orientation tour, we will departure to one of famous local wineries for lunch and wine tasting. Afterwards, we visit the intriguing Petrovaradin fortress, with its underground trenches and tunnels. The last stop is the city of Novi Sad, where will have a quick orientation tour and some free time before returning to Belgrade and your hotel. (B, L)

Meal: Breakfast and Lunch

Day 05**Day 5, Wednesday, in BELGRADE**

Your morning sightseeing tour includes a visit to the imposing Kalemegdan Fortress, dramatically set at the confluence of the Sava and Danube Rivers. You'll also see Republic Square and Knez Mihailova Street, Saint Sava Temple, the largest Orthodox Church in the city, and Tito's Memorial. Continue to Avala. The rest of the day is free. In the afternoon, Optional excursion to Topola, where George Petrovic, better known by his sobriquet Karadjordje, was chosen as the leader of the First



Serbian Uprising against the Ottoman Empire in 1804. A very short drive away is the local St. George's Church, also known as Oplenac, the burial place of the Ducal and Royal Family of Serbia and Yugoslavia. After a lunch break (on own), we are going back to Belgrade. Evening is on own. (B)

Meal: Breakfast

Day 06**Day 6, Thursday, BELGRADE - DJERDAP – TURNU SEVERIN**

Drive towards the Golubac Fortress, to visit the fortified ten- tower town located on the hill slope, overlooking the Danube River. On for a cruise through the gorge, seeing the most beautiful sections of the Danube. Afterwards, we cross the border to Romania and heading to Turnu Severin for a dinner and overnight. (B,D)

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 07**Day 7, Friday, TURNU SEVERIN – SIBIU**

Continue our journey via Hunedoara, where we visit one of the largest European castles: the Corvinesti Castle. Dinner, overnight. (B, D)

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 08**Day 8, Saturday, SIBIU - SIGHISOARA – BRASOV**

Take a sightseeing tour of Sibiu, once the richest town in Transylvania. See the Huet Square, the Great Square, the Evangelical Cathedral, Liar's Bridge and more. On to Sighisoara, the best-preserved medieval city in southeastern Europe and a UNESCO World Heritage site. On a city tour, visit the famous Clock Tower Museum. Continue to Brasov, where a walking tour includes a visit to the First Romanian School Museum with an impressive collection of rare books, documents, and art. (B, D)

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner



Day 09**Day 9, Sunday, BRASOV – BUCHAREST**

Head to Bran for a visit to Bran Castle, made famous by Bram Stoker's novel as the residence of the sinister vampire, Count Dracula. Continue toward Bucharest, stopping in Sinaia to visit Peles Castle, built as the summer residence of King Carol I. Afterward, visit the beautiful 17th-century Sinaia Monastery. End the day in Bucharest, known as "Little Paris." (B, D)

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 10**Day 10, Monday, in BUCHAREST**

Get acquainted with the Romanian capital on a sightseeing tour. Visit the Parliament Palace, one of the largest buildings in the world and a National Treasure. Learn how the Romanian people finally succeeded in toppling the last communist dictator in Eastern Europe at the Revolution Square. The tour will also bring you to the Romanian Athenaeum, the Opera House, the National Military Club, the Military Academy, Triumphal Arch, and the Village Museum. Celebrate your Balkan Adventure tonight with a Farewell Dinner and folklore show. (B, D)

Meal: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 11**Day 11, Tuesday, depart BUCHAREST**

Check out from your hotel. (B)

Meal: Breakfast

Inclusions

Included Features:

First class hotels

Arrival transfer Zagreb airport to the hotel on day 1

Departure transfer hotel to Bucharest airport on day 11

Breakfast daily, 1 lunch and 7 dinners

Touring by modern air-conditioned motor coach



Professional Tour Director throughout
Luggage handling (1 pc per person)
Whisper technology enhanced touring
Service charges and hotel taxes

Sightseeing Tours Included:

Zagreb
Belgrade
Novi Sad
Horezu
Sibiu
Sighisoara
Brasov
Bucharest

Exclusions

International airfares
Optional activities
Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program
Personal equipment
Travel insurance
Gratuities
Voluntary tips for guides or drivers
Travel and medical insurance
Any items not mentioned as included

Note

Hotels:
Zagreb: Zonar (F) or similar
Belgrade: Hotel Moskva/ Courtyard by Marriott (F) or similar
Turnu Severin: Continental Drobeta (SF) or similar
Sibiu: Continental Forum/ Golden Tulip (ST) or similar
Brasov: Aro Palace (F) or similar



Bucharest: Hilton Garden Inn (F) or similar

NOTE: Because of the narrow and cobbled streets, walking is the primary way of getting around. Please make sure you pack comfortable walking shoes.

Program Touring / Guide

Escorted Experience

Fixed Departure

05 Oct, 2024

First Class Hotels

AUD 4,681 P P twin share

AUD 6,223 P P single

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