## **BEST OF BULGARIA & ROMANIA**

## **Private Escorted Tour**

January 1 - December 31, 2023 - Departure every Friday

11 days / 10 nights: 2 nights in Sofia, 1 night in Plovdiv, 2 nights in Veliko Tarnovo, 1 night in Bucharest 2 nights in Sibiu, 1 night in Brasov, 1 night back in Bucharest

Accommodation	Meals	Tours	Transportation	Transfer	Also includes
Sofia 5* Arena di Serdica Hotel or similar Plovdiv 3* 8 1/2 Art Guest House hotel or similar Veliko Turnovo 3* Boutique Hotel Gurko or similar Bucharest 4* Bertholot Hotel or similar Sibiu 3* AM Ring Hotel or similar Brasov 3* Coroana Brasovului or similar	Breakfast daily 2 lunches 3 dinners	Independent, private sightseeing.  English speaking driver throughout.  Entrance fees to museums.	Private air-conditioned car/ van/minibus.	Airport transfers on arrival and departure.	Tax & service charge.

## Land Rates 2023 US\$ per Person Per Person Twin Single \$3,872 \$4,515

\$500 per person discount based on 4 people or more traveling together.

Note: Some September dates, higher rates apply.





## Day by Day Itinerary

- **Day 1:** Upon arrival at Sofia airport you will be met and assisted by your tour-guide, then transferred to your central Sofia hotel. The rest of the day free.
- Day 2: After breakfast a **walking tour** of ancient and contemporary Sofia. Afternoon free for individual activities. **Welcome dinner** at a traditional restaurant. **(B,D)**
- Day 3: Some free time in the morning. Then in the outskirts of Sofia, we'll visit the UNESCO listed 12th cent. **Boyana Church**. Later, a 1 ¾ hour drive southeast to Plovdiv. In the afternoon, a walking tour of the Old town and end the day with a dinner at a traditional restaurant with live entertainment. (B,D)
- Day 4: This morning travel north through the Valley of Roses and the Valley of the Thracian Kings. Later, we will cross the Balkan range through the scenic Shipka Pass and stop in Etara open-air Village Museum Evening arrival in Veliko Tarnovo. (B,L)
- Day 5: After breakfast, take a tour of Bulgaria's medieval capital. Afternoon visit to the museum-village of Arbanassi. Back in Tarnovo, afternoon and evening at leisure. (B)
- **Day 6:** After breakfast **depart north to Ruse**, cross the Danube River and continue your journey in Romania! We will continue north for a leisurely walk in the center of Ruse. Sightseeing tour of Bucharest.. Overnight in Bucharest. **(B)**
- **Day 7:** Morning departure to Curtea de Arges, Wallachia's former capital city, for a visit to Curtea de Arges Monastery. Late afternoon arrival in Sibiu. **(B)**
- Day 8: After breakfast morning walking tour of the old part of Sibiu. A short drive from here will take you to **Sibiel village** for a visit at the Museum of icons, painted on glass. Afternoon trip to Corvin Castle one of the largest castles in Europe and included in the seven wonders list of Romania. Late afternoon return to Sibiu. **(B)**
- Day 9: After breakfast you will travel to the **Fortified Church of Biertan** and then to Sighisoara. Take a drive to Bran Castle. **(B,L)**
- **Day 10:** After breakfast a **sightseeing tour of Brasov**. A couple of hours drive will take you back to Bucharest. **Dinner** at a famous restaurant with live folk program. **(B,D)**
- Day 11: Breakfast at hotel and a transfer to Bucharest Airport for your departure flight. (B)



