

BEST OF BULGARIA & ROMANIA

Independent Private Tour

January 1 - December 31, 2019 - 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 4* Ramada Princess Hotel or similar Plovdiv 4* Ramada Trimontium 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. 1 lunch. 3 dinners.	Independent, private sightseeing. English speaking driver throughout. Entrance fees to museums.	Private air-conditioned car/van/mini-bus. Fuel, road tolls, border fees and parking charges	Airport transfers on arrival and departure. Additional transfers available at an extra cost.	Tax & service charge. Portorage and tips not included.

Land Rates US\$ per Person

Per Person	Twin	Single
2 People	\$2,289	\$2,627
\$500 per person discount based on 4 people or more traveling together.		

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. **(B)**
- 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 depicting authentic housing and crafts traditions from the past 3 centuries. Evening arrival in Veliko Tarnovo. **(B)**
- 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 **Sibiul 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)**

