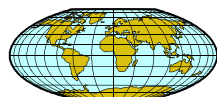


Jim Gold International Folk Tours

Budapest!

Spring Festival Tour!

Folk Dancing, Folk Music, Culture, Art, History, Adventure !



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March 19-29, 2010

Led by Adam Molnar

- National Táncház (folk dance) Festival and Craft Fair!
- Visit villages, crafts people, and local folk groups.
- Spring Festival concerts!
- Visit rehearsal of professional folk dance ensemble!
- Visit Bela Bartok House and Institute of Musicology!
- Jewish heritage tour of Budapest, and Danube Bend tour!
- Dine in folklore restaurants, bath in spas, good shopping!
- Price includes round trip air, transfers, hotels, private bus, English speaking guide, entrance fees and concert tickets, two meals daily and city sightseeing.

Itinerary

Day 1: March 19, Friday: Departure from Newark Airport in New Jersey.

Day 2: March 20, Saturday: Arrive in **Budapest**. Meet our guide, Adam Molnar. Transfer to hotel. Orientation walk and dinner. The world famous **100-Member Gypsy Band** will welcome us by giving an evening concert!

Day 3: March 21, Sunday: Half-day sight-seeing in Budapest. Lunch at **Gundel Restaurant** ("Best Restaurant Central Europe"). See the **Bartok Memorial house**. Visit a **folk music club**.

Day 4: March 22, Monday: Visit to the **Institute of Musicology** (Folk Music and Dance Department). Tour of the **Buda Castle Hill** district. Dinner and evening dance program.

Day 5: March 23, Tuesday: Full-day trip to the **Danube Bend**, including the town of **Esztergom**, the mediaeval Hungarian capital, the **Castle of Visegrad** and the **art colony of Szentendre**. Lunch en route in a venison restaurant.

- Day 6: March 24, Wednesday:** Half-day sight-seeing: **Jewish Budapest.** Dinner. **Serbian, Macedonian, Bulgarian and Greek dance evening.**
- Day 7: March 25, Thursday:** Visit the rehearsal of the **Hungarian State Folk Dance Ensemble.** In the afternoon "The Music Tour of Budapest": guided tour on the Opera House and the **Franz Liszt Memorial Museum.** Dinner in a typical Hungarian restaurant with Gypsy Music.
- Day 8: March 26, Friday:** Full-Day trip to the **UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site of the village of Holloko. Meet local craftspeople. Lunch with the villagers. Evening concert and folk dance performances and tanchaz** in the Hungarian Heritage House (Center of the Hungarian State folk Dance Ensemble), this event is the opening of the **National Tanchaz Festival.**
- Day 9: March 27, Saturday: National Tanchaz Festival and Folk Craft Fair.** A two-day meeting of singers, dancers and craftspeople which has become the Who's Who of folk events! Performance, folk dancing, folk dance instruction and shopping at the fair. Dinner.
- Day 10: March 28, Sunday: Full day at the National Tanchaz Festival & Folk Craft Fair. A two-day meeting of singers, dancers and craftspeople which has become the Who's Who of folk events!** Farewell dinner in the Matthias Cellar, one of the best restaurants in Budapest, Gypsy music.
- Day 11: March 29, Monday:** Morning transfer to airport. Fly back to the US.

About Adam Molnar:

Adam has his Ph.D. in Oriental Studies, and has lectured in the history, languages, anthropology, and religious history of Central Asia at the University of Szeged, Southern Hungary. His book, *Weather-Magic in Inner Asia,* was published in Bloomington, Indiana. He is Secretary of the International Society for Shamanistic Research, publishes *Shaman,* journal of the society as well as a book series and *Journal of Hungarian Heritage* for the European Folklore Institute. As a guide, he offers programs in Hungarian folk dance, music and crafts.

Land only: \$2995

Plus \$85 for hotel taxes and service charges. Gratuities not included.

REGISTRATION FORM: I can't wait to go! Enclosed is my registration deposit of \$200 per person. Budapest single supplement: \$525 Cancellations 30 to 45 days prior to departure: Refund 50% of total price. Less than 30 days: No refund. Travel insurance recommended.

Total balance due January 10, 2010.

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