Jim Gold International Folk Tours



Hungary!

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

July 30-August 12, 2013



Budapest, Eger, Mezokovesd Folk Festival, Jászberény Folk Dance Camp, International Folk Festival of European Minorities!

Led by Adam Molnar



- * Mezokovesd Festival with Folk Crafts Fair and Tanchaz!
- ★ Hortobágy Plain, the Hungarian cowboy country!
- ★ Historic Baroque town of Eger and Bukk Hills National Park!
- ★ Visit villages, meet local folk dance groups!
- ★ Price includes transfers, hotels, private bus, English speaking guide, two meals daily, city sightseeing, folk performances, and folk dancing!.

Itinerary

- Day 1: Tuesday, July 30: Fly to Budapest on airline of your choice.
- **Day 2: Wednesday, July, 31:** Arrive in **Budapest**. Transfer to your Hotel Carlton Meet your guide, **Adam Molnar.** Welcome dinner. Overnight in Hotel Carlton.
- Day 3: Thursday, August 1: Sightseeing tour of Budapest: we have a half day tour of Budapest to show you the unique geographical setting and rich cultural heritage of the city. We will look at the City Park, Hero's Square, Parliament and St. Stephen's Cathedral, marvel at panorama from Gellert Hill, stroll through majestic Castle Hill, stopping at Matthias Church. Dinner in typical Hungarian restaurant with Gypsy music.
- Day 4: Friday, August 2: Jewish Heritage tour of Budapest, visit the Great Synagogue and the Jewish History Museum. Afternoon free. Discover Budapest on your own. After dinner, drive to Mezokovesd, a small town on the fringe of the Hungarian Great Plains, famous for its folk arts. We'll attend the Mezokovesd Folk Festival that has become one of the greatest folk festivals in Hungary, with hundreds of performers participating. Dinner and



overnight in spa Zsory Hotel Fit, Mezokovesd.

- Days 5-6: Saturday-Sunday, August 3-4: In the morning, enjoy thermal waters of our spa.

 Then take part at the Mezokovesd Festival and Folk Crafts Fair. Dinner with the dancers and evening performance to be followed by a "tanchaz" ("dance house"). Overnights in Mezokovesd-Zsoryfurdo.
- Day 7: Monday, August 5: Depart for Eger, a beautiful Hungarian Baroque town situated among the Matra and Bukk Hills. Visit Bukk Hills National Park. Dinner with wine tasting in Eger. Overnight in Senator Haz Hotel in Eger.
- Day 8: Tuesday, August 6: Morning optional swim at the spa before driving to Hortobagy National Park, the *Puszta* (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), or the Hungarian cowboy country. See Shepherd's Museum and Crafts Center, then continue to Jaszbereny. Overnight in Hotel Solyom Jaszbereny.
- **Days 9-10: Wednesday-Thursday, August 7-8:** Folk dance workshop in Jaszbereny with **folk dance instruction by the best Hungarian folk dance instructors!** Held in Center of the Jaszsag Folk Dance Ensemble. Hotel Solyom Jaszbereny.
- Days 11-13: , Friday-Saturday-Sunday, August 9-11: On Friday dance workshops continue. The International Festival of European Minorities begins! This is an official CIOFF (UNESCO) folk festival, the biggest one in Hungary, the "Hungarian Koprivshtitsa" with hundreds of folk dancers and singers from all over the world, but mostly from Central and Eastern Europe. Parades, performances, concerts, and a wonderful craft fair. Hotel Solyom Jaszbereny.
- Day 14: Monday, August 12: Transfer to Budapest airport for your flight home.

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.

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Land Only: \$3495

REGISTRATION: I can't wait to go! Enclosed is my registration deposit of \$200 per person, refundable until May 10th. Single supplement: \$325. Additional charges: \$85 hotel taxes and service. **Gratuities not included**. Program subject to change without notice. Cancellations 30 to 45 days prior to departure: Refund 50% of total price. Less than 30 days: No refund. Travel insurance recommended.

Balance due May 10, 2013

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