

## 5-Bulgarian Heritage and Seaside Tour      10 days      \$ 3595

Open for booking pick up any 10 dates from May to October  
Register 4 weeks prior your departure date and get a \$300 discount.  
Guarantee departure - Single supplement: \$650 per person



Kazanlak



Nessebar



Varna

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-VZpk\\_Pvr-A](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-VZpk_Pvr-A)

### Highlights:

Visiting towns of Sofia, Plovdiv, Kazanlak, Nessebar, Varna, Balchik, and Veliko Turnovo

- Rila Monastery – the most famous and fascinating monastery in Bulgaria under UNESCO protection.
- Visit the Old Town of Plovdiv, Ancient Theater (well-preserved Roman amphitheater), Ethnographic Museum, and Todoroff winery in Brestovista for wine tasting.
- Visit the Museum of Roses and ancient Thracian tomb (UNESCO) in Kazanlak
- Visit the town of Nessebar (UNESCO) – one of the oldest towns in Europe, well known for its impressing monuments from the Antiquity and its fascinating architecture from the Middle Ages and National Revival period.
- Visit the National Revival Museum, Natural History Museum, 17th century Cathedral of the Holy Mother, and the 2nd century Roman Thermae in Varna
- Balchik. Tour in Dvoretza Complex built by Queen Maria of Rumania with a exquisite botanical garden, a chapel, and a villa complex for the Romanian aristocrats.
- Visit the Rock Aladja Monastery and stone forest Pobiti Kamani
- Visit the Madara Horse Man National Preserve (UNESCO) and Veliki Preslav town to explore the ruins from the First Bulgarian Kingdom.
- Visit the medieval fortress of Tsarevets and explore the Old Marketplace Samovodska Tcharshia in Veliko Turnovo

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**Price Includes:**

- airport transfers and all ground transportation according to itinerary
- All transportation by A/C town car, SUV or VAN
- accommodation in 3\*, 4 \* centrally located hotels (double occupancy)
- all meals according to the itinerary – breakfast, lunch, and dinner
- wine tasting at Brestovitsa Todoroff winery
- all entry fees for sights and events according to the itinerary
- English-speaking guide
- Luggage transportation
- VAT and all local taxes
- 24/7 technical support

**Not Included:**

- airfare international flight tickets
- travel insurance
- single supplement of \$650 per person
- drinks and meals not mentioned in the Itinerary
- tips at hotels and restaurants
- additional taxis rides or public transportation
- personal expenses
- optional excursions and entrance fees

**For a detailed itinerary and questions,** please email George Vishegonov at [georgevishegonov@yahoo.com](mailto:georgevishegonov@yahoo.com) or call (201) 328-7744.

- *Full vaccination against COVID-19 is required to travel with Balkan Sporting Tours / Jim Gold International, Inc.*
- *A passport is required and must be valid for at least six months after the date of travel.*
- *Check the [State Department's website](#) for important info on the destination.*

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**COVID-19 safety measures**

Check Bulgaria's COVID-19 policies: <http://www.bulgaria-embassy.org/en/travel-requirements-2/>

COVID UPDATE: If your trip is canceled prior to departure in the event of a COVID-19-related reason, a full refund will be made

\*NOTE: Necessary itinerary details will be provided upon request.

## **Itinerary:**

**Day 0. Overnight flight** to European airline hub and catching connecting flight to Sofia International Airport

### **Day 1 Sofia**

Arrive at Sofia Airport and transfer to hotel. Check-in at hotel. Leisure time. Overnight in Sofia. -/-/D

### **Day 2 Plovdiv**

Breakfast. Departure for Rila Monastery. Tour of the monastery and its church, museum, and kitchen, known as Magernitsa. Continue to Plovdiv. Tour of the Old Town of Plovdiv– an imposing open-air museum situated on the three hills of the ancient Trimontium. Visit to the Ancient Theatre and Ethnographic Museum. Visit the Todoroff winery for wine tasting in Brestovitsa in the afternoon. Return to Plovdiv for dinner. Overnight in Plovdiv. B/L/D

### **Day 3 Kazanluk - Nessebar**

Breakfast. Departure for the Rose Valley. Visit to the Museum of Roses and ancient Thracian tomb (UNESCO) in Kazanluk. Continue to Nessebar. Check-in at hotel. Leisure time. Overnight in Nessebar. B/L/D

### **Day 4 Nessebar**

Breakfast. Half-day tour in the old part of Nessebar Leisure time for sunbathing. Overnight in Nessebar. B/L/D

### **Day 5 Nessebar – Varna**

Breakfast. Departure for Varna. City tour of Varna paying particular interest to the National Revival Museum, Ethnographic and City Historical Museum, Art Gallery, Navy Museum and Aquarium, Natural History Museum, Zoo and Dolphinarium, Sea Gardens, 17th century Cathedral of the Holy Mother, and 2nd century Roman Thermae. Leisure time for sunbathing. Overnight in Varna. B/L/D

### **Day 6 Varna – Balchik – Varna**

Breakfast. Departure for Balchik. Tour in Dvoretza Complex– struck by the natural beauty of this place, Queen Maria built a palace with a botanical garden, chapel, and villa complex for the Romanian aristocrats. The town turned into a luxurious resort at the time.– Return for overnight in Varna. B/L/D

### **Day 7 Varna**

Breakfast. Visit the Rock Aladja Monastery and the natural spot, Pobiti Kamani – a stone forest situated only 11 miles away from Varna. Just like most of the natural phenomena, the origin of Pobiti Kamani is shrouded in mystery. Leisure time for sunbathing. Overnight in Varna. B/L/D

### **Day 8 Varna - Veliko Turnovo**

Breakfast. Departure for the Madara Horse Man National Preserve (UNESCO) and Veliki Preslav town to explore the ruins from the First Bulgarian Kingdom. The tour continues to another former Bulgarian capital – Veliko Turnovo. Check-in at hotel. Dinner and overnight in Veliko Turnovo. B/L/D

### **Day 9 Veliko Turnovo**

Breakfast. Tour of Veliko Turnovo town with visit to the medieval fortress of Tsarevets; the

Old Marketplace Samovodska Tcharshia; and other exciting landmarks. FREE TIME exploring the city on your own. Dinner and overnight in Veliko Turnovo. B/L/D

**Day 10. Veliko Turnovo – Pravets Golf Resort - Sofia**

Today after breakfast we depart for Pravets Golf Resort for a day of outdoor relaxation laying down by the pool or taking a swing at the golf course. Lunch at local traditional food restaurant. After sundown take a short drive to our hotel in Sofia. Dinner and FREE TIME opportunity to explore the night life the capital Sofia offer. B/L/D

**Day 11 Sofia**

Breakfast. Getting ready for your transfer to Sofia airport. Departure B/-/-.

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Varna



Sofia



Veliko Turnovo

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Single supplement: \$650. Additional charges: \$145 hotel taxes and service. Gratuities and drinks during meals not included. Program subject to change without notice. Cancellations 90 days prior to departure: Total refund: Less than 60 days: No refund. Travel insurance always recommended Total balance due 4 weeks prior your departure date

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