

2-2022 Sports Adventure in Bulgaria

14 days

\$ 3995

9/12 – 25, 2022 or pick up any 14 dates from May to November

The tour is most suitable for small groups and families with children over 10 years old.

Group size 4 – 8 people can pick up their 14 days from April to November

Guarantee departure - Single supplement: \$450 per person

Register by August 12 and get a \$300 discount.



The key words here are adventure, adrenalin, curiosity, nature. If you are a person(s), who enjoys open air activities in all its forms, love adventures and diversity, then this tour is just for you! Mountain biking, kayaking, horse riding, paragliding, trekking, golfing – the ingredients of a cocktail of unforgettable emotions in the beautiful setting at Bulgarian nature! NO experience doesn't worry our guides are experts in each of these activities ready to give you a helping hand.

Highlights:

- Rila Mountain - the highest mountain in Bulgaria
- Vitosha Mountain - is a mountain massif, on the outskirts of Sofia, the capital of Bulgaria. Vitosha is one of the symbols of Sofia and the closest site for hiking, alpinism and skiing.
- Iskar Dam - the largest reservoir in Bulgaria situated on the Iskar River
- Biking / Kayaking / Horseback riding / Paragliding / Trekking / Golfing / Shopping

Dates: Open for booking pick up any 14 dates from April to October
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Cost: \$3995 (per person, double occupancy)
Single supplement: \$450

I can't wait to go! Reserve my place with my \$200 deposit per person by registering through

PayPal: <https://www.paypal.com/myaccount/transfer/homepage/preview>

Once in, enter: georgevishegonov@yahoo.com

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, selected guest houses (double occupancy)

- all meals according to the itinerary – breakfast, lunch, and dinner
- all necessary rental equipment – bicycles, kayaks, horses and para glider
- English-speaking guide/instructors
- Luggage transportation
- VAT and all local taxes
- 24/7 technical support

Not Included:

- airfare international flight tickets
- travel insurance
- single supplement of \$450 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

Additional Services: Supplement for group of 2 or 3 people: \$ 120 per person

For a detailed itinerary and questions, please email George Vishegonov at 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.*

GOOD NEWS! EUROPE IS OPEN FOR FULLY VACCINATED AND BOOSTED AMERICAN TRAVELERS, NO TESTS, NO QUARANTINE.

COVID-19 safety updates:

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 from New York JFK airport or Newark Liberty airport, New Jersey to European airline hub and catching connecting flight to Sofia International Airport.

Day 1. Arrival to Sofia

Transfer to your hotel, checking in and orientational meeting followed by short walk to traditional restaurant for dinner. Overnight in Sofia, -/-/D

Day 2. Biking

After breakfast and short transfer to the area Tihia kat (Quiet corner) of Vitosha mountains our day of biking will start. The route crosses the mountain and passes by the villages of Vladaya, Bosnek, Chuipetelovo and ends in Yarlovo. Transfer to Borovets resort in the foot of Rila Mountains. Overnight in Borovets. B/L/D

Day 3. Kayaking

Early transfer to Iskar Dam. Tour around the dam including some of the most remote and rarely visited shores. After all day of kayaking and soaking the sun and nature return to Borovets for dinner. Overnight in Borovets. B/L/D

Day 4. Horse back riding

Horse riding in Rila Mountain – you will have the possibility to climb some of its picturest higher parts of the mountain, perfect places for picknik lunch and photo oportunity. Overnight in Borovets. B/L/D

Day 5. Paragliding (if the weather conditions permit)

This is a day of exiting paragliding tandem flight with a certified instructor and video taping. **NOTE:** Practical information: Paragliding is a sport entirely dependent on the weather conditions. Therefore the day of flying as well as the place for taking off will be chosen at the last possible minute according to the weather forecast. This means that the day-to-day program might be changed on spot if the instructor decides so and the paragliding will be organized on any other day. It is also possible paragliding to be cancelled due to unfavorable weather. If this happens paragliding will be susituted with – biking, kayaking, riding or mountain trekking. Late afternoon transfer to our hotel in Sofia, FREE TIME before dinner. Dinner.and overnight in Sofia. B/L/D

Day 6. Treking

After breakfast we will trasfer for lift rite to Vitosh Aleko Hut where we will start treking to the Cherni Vrah is the summit of Vitosha Mountain in Bulgaria rising to 7513 feet. Late afternoon return to our hotel for dinner. Late afternoon transfer to our hotel in Sofia, FREE TIME before dinner. Overnight in Sofia. B/L/D

Day 7. Shopping

Breakfast. Today you willhave the oportuniti to explore and shop at Sofia's most fashionable malls where you will find superb prices and bargains of brand name designers. Lunch and dinner on your own. Another overnight stay in Sofia. B/-/-

Day 8. Pravets - Golfing

Today after breakfast we will make a short transfer to Pravets Golf Resort for a day of outdoor relaxation laying down by the pool or taking a swing at the golf course. Lunch at the local traditional restaurant. After sundown return to Sofia for dinner and FREE TIME opportunity to explore the night life the capital Sofia offer. Overnight Iin Sofia. B/L/D

Day 9. Sofia - Plovdiv

After breakfast we will ride to the second largest city in Bulgaria - Plovdiv. Sightseeing tour and lunch at the Old town of Plovdiv - one of the oldest still inhabited cities in the world. Explore the beautifully decorated houses, ancient fortress walls, the ancient Roman theater and stadium and the numerous magnificent churches. In 2019 the city was declared an European capital of culture. Dinner and overnight in Plovdiv. B/L/D

Day 10. Plovdiv - Kazanlak - Etara - Veliko Turnovo

After breakfast, transfer to Veliko Turnovo. On the way we will stop for a visit to; the tomb of the Thracian king Seuthes III near the city of Kazanlak. Next stop is the Museum of the Rose. We proceed to the architectural-ethnographic complex "Etara", where we will experience the way people lived 150 years ago. Our last stop for today is Veliko Turnovo. Overnight stay in Veliko Turnovo. B/L/D

Day 11. Veliko Turnovo – Koprivshitsa

We start our day with a sightseeing tour of Veliko Turnovo – the Medieval Capital of Bulgaria, the Second Bulgarian Kingdom. We will visit the Tsarevets Hill and the Patriarch church “Holy Ascending of God”. Next stop is just a few kilometres away from Veliko Turnovo- the village of Arbanassi, famous for its well-preserved traditional architecture. In the afternoon we head to Koprivshitsa - the town is now turned into a museum, where you can feel the atmosphere of the Revival Period (XVIII -XIX century) in Bulgaria. Overnight in Koprivshitsa. B/L/D

Day 12 Koprivshitsa – Sofia

breakfast and departure to Sofia, after checking at our hotel and lunch FREE TIME to explore the capital on your own. Dinner and overnight in Sofia. B/L/D

Day 13 Sofia

After breakfast we will start our sightseeing tour of Sofia. We will visit the Alexander Nevski Cathedral and the Crypt, The National Theatre, St. Sofia Church and St. George Rotonda, dating back to the 4th century. Lunch at the famous Vitosha Blvd and FREE TIME till dinner. Overnight in Sofia. B/L/D

Day 14 Departure

Breakfast, free time, getting ready for your transfer to Sofia International Airport for catching a flight to the point of origin.

***NOTE:** Necessary equipment and details will be provided upon request.



REGISTRATION FORM: Enclosed is my registration deposit of \$200 per person.

Single supplement: \$450. 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 August 12, 2022.

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Address _____ No. of people _____
Phone (_____) _____ email _____

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS Air Transportation: International air not included except as noted.

Rates: Tour rates are subject to change in the event of currency fluctuations or increase in costs.

Inclusive tour rates are per person in double occupancy. In case of computer or human billing errors, we reserve the right to re-invoice clients with corrected billing. **Reservations:** Deposits and Payments:

Deposit of \$200 per person is required at time of reservation. Balance is due 30 days prior to departure date. **Changes:** Prices and program subject to change without notice **Baggage:** One baggage per

person and a carry on is allowed. **Cancellations:** Cancellations 60 days prior to departure: Total refund. Less than 60 days: No refund. Additionally, any cancellation fees imposed by the respective

hotels, airlines, tour companies and cruise lines will be charged. Travel Insurance is non-refundable as are unused services. Gratuities: Tipping to guides, drivers, transfer personnel and hotel staff is left to

the discretion of the participants and is not included. **Insurance:** Tour participants are strongly recommended to purchase insurance for trip cancellation, trip interruption, accident, sickness and/or

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