

PREMIUM

12D9N

TREASURE OF BALKANS

TOUR CODE: EESKPA

In this incredible tour you will see the beautiful bountiful and bewildering Balkans. Discover the best of Romania, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Albania and Kosovo.

**EXTENSIVE
COVERAGE**



ST. JOVAN KANEO OVER OHRID LAKE, MACEDONIA

HIGHLIGHTS

MACEDONIA

SKOPJE

- House of Mother of Theresa
 - The Church of St. Spas
 - Mustafa Pasha Mosque
 - Fortress Kale
- #### OHRID
- Old Town
 - Cathedral of St. Sophia

ALBANIA

TIRANA

- Et'hem Bey Mosque
 - The Clock Tower
 - Skanderbeg Square
 - Skanderbeg Statue
- #### BERAT
- Gorica Bridge
 - Gorica Quarter
 - King Mosque

KOSOVO

PRIZREN

- City Tour

PRISHTINA

- City Tour

BULGARIA

VELIKO TARNOVO

- The Tsarevets Fortress
 - Asen's Monument
- #### SOFIA
- Alexander Nevsky Cathedral
 - The Boyana Church
- #### RILA
- Monastery

ROMANIA

SINAIA

- Peles Castle

BRAN

- Dracula's Castle

BRASOV

- Black Church
- Council Square

BUCHAREST

- Parliament Palace
- The Victory Square
- The Roman Square
- The Unification Square



DAY 1 HOME > SKOPJE

Meals on Board

Assemble at the airport for your flight to **Skopje** - The Capital of **Macedonia**.

DAY 2 SKOPJE

Lunch, Dinner

Explore **Skopje** with a walking tour of the old part of the town Charshi, where you can view the **Stone Bridge**. Not to be missed are some of the marvels which include the **Church St. Spas**, famous for its marvelous iconostas from 17th century, the **Old Bazaar**, **Fortress Kale**, **Mustapha Pasha Mosque**. During the tour we will visit also the **Birth house of Mother Teresa**.

DAY 3 SKOPJE > OHRID

Breakfast, Orchid Trout Lunch, Dinner

Continue to the lakeside resort of **Ohrid**, **Church of St. John**, a Macedonian Orthodox church situated on the cliff over Kaneo Beach overlooking **Lake Ohrid**. Walking sightseeing tour with a walk through the cobblestone streets of the old town. A visit to Ohrid port. May consider to join an excursion to enjoy a Boat Ride on the lake to St. Naum Monastery - is an imposing sight on a bluff and the Church of St. Naum was rebuilt between the 16th and 17th century as a multi-domed, Byzantine-style structure on this cliff.

DAY 4 OHRID > BERAT

Breakfast, Onufri's Traditional Lunch, Dinner

Hotel breakfast. Heading to the historic city **Berat** - also known as "the city of a thousand windows", made the **UNESCO World Heritage** list in 2008. Explore **Berat** city tour - the ancient history of Albania from Roman period to modern times. We will visit the **Gorica Bridge** and **Gorica quarter**. Next, by walking we will reach the **Medieval Centre** including the **Helveti Teke**, **King Mosque** and **Dervish's Konak**.

DAY 5 BERAT > TIRANA

Breakfast, Lamb Lunch, Chinese Dinner

After breakfast, head to **Tirana**, the capital of **Albania**. Follow by a sightseeing of the city and visit of the biggest attractions, like **Skanderbeg Square**, **Skanderbeg Statue**, **Et'hem Bey Mosque**, **The Clock Tower**. You may wish to make an excursion to **Kruja Castle**. Enjoy the panoramic views and visit Skanderbeg Museum inside the castle with beautiful mural paintings and sculptures from renowned Albanian artists among other artifacts.

DAY 6 TIRANA > PRIZREN > PRISHTINA

Breakfast, Pork Lunch, Dinner

After breakfast, head towards **Prizren** is a historic city located in **Kosovo**. City tour will go through the **Albanian league of prizren House**, **stone bridge**, **Sinan Pasha Mosque**,

DELICACIES

Meal Plan

9 Breakfasts, 10 Lunches, 9 Dinners

Specialities

- Historic and Gorgeous Romanian Palace Restaurant
- Folk Show in Traditional Bulgarian Restaurant
- Ohrid Special Trout Meal
- Caru'cu Bere

4-5★ HOTELS

SKOPJE Holiday Inn

OHRID Inex Gorica

BERAT Grand White City

TIRANA Sheraton

PRISHTINA Parliament

SOFIA Radisson Blu

VELIKO TARNOVO Yantra

BUCHAREST Hilton

BRASOV Ambient

*Note: Hotels subject to final confirmation. Should there be changes, customers will be offered similar accommodations as stated in this list.

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BERAT, ALBANIA

Ethnographic museum, Prizren old town. Continue to **Prishtina** or **Priština**, is the capital and largest city of Kosovo. The city has a majority Albanian population, alongside other smaller communities. City tour will go through **New born Monument**, **Skanderberg monument** and **Pedestrian Street of Prishtina**.

DAY 7 PRISHTINA > RILA > SOFIA

Breakfast, Trout Lunch, Traditional Dinner with Folklore Show

This morning you will travel to the **Rila Mountains** where you will visit the famous **Rila Monastery**. The beautiful orthodox monastery was built in the 14th century and houses valuable paintings, thousands of manuscripts, old printed books and masterworks of wood carvings. Head towards **Sofia** the capital of **Bulgaria**. In the evening enjoy the dinner at a local restaurant complete with **folklore performances** and the **traditional fire dances**.

DAY 8 RILA > SOFIA > VELIKO TARNOVO

Breakfast, Lunch, Lamb Dinner

Embark on a city tour of the Bulgarian capital city. In the heart of **Sofia**, visit the **St. Alexander Nevski Cathedral** and The **Boyana Church** which is a medieval Bulgarian Orthodox church situated on the outskirts of Sofia. In **1979**, the building was added to the **UNESCO World Heritage List**. After lunch,

drive to **Veliko Tarnovo**. Visit the **Tsaravets Fortress**, once past the main gate, it is fairly easy to navigate the fortress on foot. The statue, **Asen's Monument** which was erected exactly **800** years after the city was appointed capital of the Second Bulgarian Empire, commemorates the Tsars for their contributions to the city.

DAY 9 VELIKO TARNOVO > BUCHAREST

Breakfast, Lunch, Historic Restaurant-Caru' cu Bere 1879 Dinner

After breakfast, we head to the sixth largest capital city of the European Union - **Bucharest**. The city tour will take you to the most important sites such as the **Arch of Triumph**, the **Victory Square**, the **Roman Square** and the **Unification Square**. At the Constitution Square outside viewing the **Palace of the Parliament** which is the second largest building in the world.

DAY 10 BUCHAREST > SINAIA > BRASOV

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Today towards **Sinaia**. Here is where you will visit the **Peles Castle**, built in German Renaissance style, the **Peles Castle** is probably the most beautiful castle in Eastern Europe. Transfer to **Brasov**, also called the **Crown of Transylvania**. Discover the beautiful colorful **Old Town** with the **Council Square** and outview the **Black Church**, Romania's largest Gothic church rises triumphantly over **Braşov's old town**.

DAY 11 BRASOV > BRAN > BUCHAREST > HOME

Breakfast, Lunch, Meals on Board

Drive to **Bran** - a visit in **Bran** at the famous **Bran Castle** - commonly known as **Dracula's castle**. Be ready to tracing **Dracula's** footsteps and you're invited to explore the eerie corridors and deathly cold rooms at your peril. After visit, you'll find a souvenir and local crafts market. This is the place to go for your **Dracula** souvenirs. Drive to **Bucharest** then we head to the airport, where you will get ready to check-in for your flight back to **Singapore**.

DAY 11 HOME SWEET HOME

We hope you enjoyed your trip with **EU holidays** and we look forward to seeing you again for your next trip.

*Suggested Excursions:
Additional activities that complement your holidays will be at your own discretion and is entirely optional.
minimum group size may apply

- **Lake Ohrid Boat ride & St. Naum Monastery:** €50
- **Kruja Castle:** €50

Tipping Guideline: (based on 12D9N)

- €84 per person

Note:

- *A minimum group size of 15 passengers is required for a confirmed departure.*
- *The sequence of the itinerary, flight schedules and hotels are subject to change without prior notice in the event of unforeseen circumstances.*