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Balkan Discovery

Highlights (Starting from 650€ pp)

- Walk King's Landing's city walls in Dubrovnik
- Explore comospolitan Sarajevo's eclectic mix of cultures
- Marvel at the monasteries of Meteora
- Follow in Alexander the Great's footsteps in Macedonia
- Explore the magnificent capitals of the Balkans
- Discover remnants of Roman and Ottoman times
- Taste local cuisine in Sarajevo
- Enjoy the lively and varied nightlife of Budva

- Age range: 18 60 years
- Minimum group size: 20 people
- Maximum group size: 40 people
- Travel Style: Discovery, Adventure
- Accommodation: Hotel
- Transportation: Coach / Bus
- Guide: English guide
- Optional tours
- Meals: 9 Breakfast

Highlights

Start and end in Sofia! With the discovery tour Balkan Discovery, you have a 10 day tour package taking you through Sofia, Bulgaria and 11 other destinations in Europe. Balkan Discovery includes accommodation in a hotel as well as an expert guide, meals, transport and more.

Day 1: Sofia

Welcome to Sofia! Look out for the Travel Talk sign at the airport for your transfer to the hotel. We have an informal welcome meeting at the hotel with our guide at 19:00pm. After we get all the crucial information about the tour, around 20:15pm we go for optional group dinner. Included Activities; Welcome Meeting Optional Activities; Group Dinner

Day 2: Sofia, Belgrade

After a substantial breakfast, we we make our way to Belgrade. With impressive views over the Danube and Sava rivers, the Belgrade Fortress and the Kalemegdan Park together form the heart of the capital, hosting all sorts of cultural and sporting events for generations. We make our way towards the main pedestrian street, Knez Mihailova, one of the prettiest and most vibrant areas of Belgrade, filled with cafes, shops and charming sites. We will get to see the impressive sights of the Republica and Castle Square, Istanbul Gate and the Clock Tower, pass through the Leopold or Dungeon door, and visit all the other incredible landmarks Belgrade has in store. Included Activities; Guided Belgrade City Tour, Meals; Breakfast



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Day 3: Belgrade, Sarajevo

After a substantial breakfast, we hop on the bus for Sarajevo; Bosnia and Herzegovina's capital. As one of the most historically interesting and diverse cities in Europe, Sarajevo has been through it all. It is where the Western and Eastern Roman Empire split and where the people of the Roman Catholic's, Eastern Orthodoxy's and the Ottoman's met, lived and warred. Today, Sarajevo has physically recovered from most of the damage caused by the Yugoslav War; but there are still many reminders with bullet holes on the buildings. Sarajevo is a cosmopolitan European capital with a unique Eastern twist, making it a delight to visit. The walking tour will cover the fascinating history and background of Bosnia, as well as the old town - Bash Town, the Latin Quarter, Gazi Husrev Bey Mosque – one of the world's finest examples of Balkan architecture with Islamic influences, and all the hidden corners, small shops and stalls. Included Activities; Sarajevo City Tour Meals; Breakfast

Day 4: Sarajevo, Mostar, Trebinje

Today, we drive for amazing Adriatic shore, Mostar! As we arrive in this dreamland, we pay a visit to the Old Town of this Herzegovina pearl, see the iconic Old Bridge – Stari Most, and the old čaršija (market). Learn all about how the UNESCO World Heritage Site; the Old Bridge, which is now called the "New Old Bridge" although it dates to the 16th century. While the beautiful old town has been restored to its former beauty, if you stroll outwards, you can still see the marks left by war. In the afternoon, we continue along the coast until we reach Trebinje, an 18th century town located 28km from Dubrovnik. Overnight in Trebinje. Included Activities; Mostar Walking Tour Meals; Breakfast

Day 5: Trebinje, Dubrovnik, Trebinje

Get ready for a full day Dubrovnik! After the breakfast we depart for Croatia. It's time to discover the "Pearl of the Adriatic", Dubrovnik. With its well-preserved majestic walls encircling the whole town and its sea of terra-cotta roof tiles, giving life to the King's Landing, the whole town is an amazing UNESCO World Heritage Site. We start our guided walking tour of impressive Old Town and learn all about the millennial history of this incredible town with influences of the Romans, Byzantine, Ottomans and Venetians. We walk inside the mighty walls, visit the castle overlooking the port, and all the beautiful attractions and swim or drink around Dubrovnik, shore of Adriatic Sea to cool off. In the evening, we return to Trebinje for overnight. Included Activities; Guided Dubrovnik City Tour Meals; Breakfast

Day 6: Trebinje, Kotor, Budva

After the breakfast, we leave Bosnia and Herzegovina and our first stop is Kotor, Montenegro with its calming natural beauty and characteristic architecture. Following a walking tour of the old town with our expert local guide, we make our way to the popular touristic hub of the region, Budva. Included Activities; Guided Kotor City Tour, Budva Walking Tour Meals; Breakfast

Day 7: Budva, Tirana, Ohrid

We hit the roads following breakfast, next stop is Albania! . A panoramic city tour of Tirana will embrace Ethem Bey Mosque, one of the best preserved and most beautiful samples of Albanian architecture; as well as the Clock



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Tower, and the Skanderbeg Square – the town centre, named after the Albanian national hero Skanderbeg. Moving forward, the journey will continue towards Macedonia. As we arrive in Ohrid, we'll check into the hotel and rest up after a long day or you can have an optional famous Balkan night. Included Activities; Panoramic City Tour of Tirana, Ohrid Walking Tour Optional Activities; Balkan Night with Dinner, Meals; Breakfast

Day 8: Ohrid, St.Naum, Skopje

Today, we start the day with a guided Ohrid City tour. In the afternoon, we drive for Monastery Saint Naum built on a high rocky cliff over the shore of the most southern point of Ohrid Lake. Monastery Saint Naum is one of the most beautiful monasteries in Macedonia, which also represents one of the first monuments of Slavic church architecture. You have also chance to swim in this place. After the visit of St. Naum, we travel to Skopje, the capital of Macedonia, for our overnight stay. Included Activities; Guided Ohrid City Tour, St. Naum visit Optional Activities; Ohrid Boat Trip Meals; Breakfast

Day 9: Skopje, Sofia

Eat up this morning as we then hit the streets to discover the beauty of Skopje in the morning with a sightseeing tour of the town. As we make our way to the main square along the popular Macedonia street and learn about the diverse history of the ancient settlement, we visit the Memorial House of Mother Teresa – Skopje native and Noble Peace Prize winner; and reach Macedonia square. Look around closely as the square hosts many buildings and monuments representing the cultural heritage and history of Macedonia, including museums, sculptures, the famous statue of Alexander the Great, and even an Arch de Triumph. We make our way up to the outstanding Fortress Kale, overlooking the busy square at the heart of the capital, and continue towards the Old Bazaar passing over the famous Stone Bridge, and witness incredible churches and mosques along the way such as Mustafa Pasha Mosque, The church of St Spas (Holy Salvation), Chifte Amam and more. In the afternoon, we drive for Sofia for overnight stay. Included Activities; Skopje Guided City tour Optional Activities; No Meals: Breakfast

Day 10: Sofia

Early in the morning, we'll join the walking tour of the Sofia town centre and visit all the famous landmarks. We start off with the National Library, Sofia University, The Parliament, and continue on to The St. Alexander Nevsky Patriarchal Cathedral, the National Theatre and St. Sofia Church. Along the way is Sofia's oldest building - St George Rotunda, dating all the way back to the 3rd century. As our guide fills you in about the diverse history of Bulgaria, and the communist era, you'll get to see the houses of the Council of Ministers, presidency and the former communist party headquarters. Then rewind a few centuries at the ruins of the ancient city of Serdika from the 6th century, and visit the National Palace of Culture. As we stroll towards the main shopping streets of Sofia, feel free to get lost and discover the shops and cafes around. You are free to roam the city as you wish. After the city tour, our trip will end after we say goodbye to our new friends... Included Activities; Sofia walking tour Meals: Breakfast



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Accommodation

Overnights in comfortable 3*-4* hotels all overnights are based on double rooms with private WC/shower 8 nights in hotels (twin or double) Single Rooms are available with payment of a 'Single Supplement'

Guide

The trip is coordinated by a tour leader from Camellia Travel, who is responsible for the logistics of the tour – updating you on the daily itinerary, arranging your passport checks at the border-crossings, handling the check-ins at each hotel, communicating with the driver and arranging the local guides as scheduled in the program. Detailed information about the countries and some of the sites will be presented by the local city guides included in the itinerary.

Meals

9 breakfasts and optional dinners

This tour offers Vegetarian and Vegan food options on request. Simply let our tour leader know the food option that you prefer.

Transport

The type of the vehicle of the tour depends on the size of the group –For group over 20 pax we travel in a bus (49 seater) with the tour leader and also the driver;

Additional Services

Welcome Meeting.

Arrival Transfer.

Guided Belgrade City Tour.

Sarajevo City Tour.

Mostar Walking Tour.

Guided Dubrovnik City Tour.

Guided Kotor City Tour, Budva Walking Tour.

Panoramic City Tour of Tirana, Ohrid Walking Tour.

Guided Ohrid City Tour, St. Naum visit.

Skopje Guided City tour.

Not included

- Flights
- Insurance
- Optional
- Additional service