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The best of the Balkans

Highlights (Starting from 2.050 € pp)	
 Explore old town in Dubrovnik Hear about the recent Bosnian war Visit the underground Tunels in Sarajevo Taste local cuisine in Sarajevo Visit Belgrade's impressive fortress 	 Age range: 18 – 80 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: 16 Breakfast

Highlights

For the traveler who wishes to see it all, this is the perfect vacation to explore the Balkan countries. Visit the must-see sights and hear about the long and fascinating histories as you journey through Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Serbia, Romania, Bulgaria, and Greece. Tour highlights include 15th-century Rector's Palace in Dubrovnik, built in gothic style with renaissance and baroque elements; Mostar's Old Bridge, a reconstruction of the city's original 16th-century Ottoman bridge; Serbia's capital Belgrade; the Romanian cities of Timisoara, Sibiu, Sighisoara, Bucharest, and Brasov, where you'll visit the impressive Black Church; Ruse, Bulgaria's "Little Vienna"; the ancient Holy Sofia Church, built in the 6th century and today a symbol of Sofia; plus Thessalonika's Basilica of Saint Demetrious, and Athens' Acropolis, in Greece.

Globus has also included some unique experiences. You'll visit Dracula's 14th-century Bran Castle in Romania; the Rila Monastery in Bulgaria, and in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Globus has included a visit to the Sarajevo Tunnel built between 1992 and 1995 during the Bosnian War.

These are just some of the many highlights on this Eastern Europe tour. You'll also have a special farewell dinner in Athens—a great way to end your vacation!.

Day 1: DUBROVNIK, CROATIA

Welcome to Dubrovnik! At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and traveling companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel. (D)

Day 2: DUBROVNIK

Dubrovnik was once an independent maritime republic rivaling Venice. Enjoy a walking tour with a Local Guide and see the impressive ramparts, erected during the Crusades to protect the town against land attacks, and the Franciscan and Dominican monasteries. Also visit the fascinating 15th-century RECTOR'S PALACE. Afternoon and evening at leisure; an optional boat cruise is available.

Day 3: DUBROVNIK-MOSTAR, BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA-SARAJEVO

Enter Bosnia-Herzegovina and stop in the city of Mostar. Meet your Local Guide and hear about the turbulent history of this interesting city. Admire the OLD BRIDGE, the city's symbol, ordered by Suleiman the





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Magnificent, the Ottoman ruler in 1566, to replace the older wooden bridge. Continue to Sarajevo, where the 1984 Olympics took place, and the first city in Europe to own an electric tram network.

Day 4: SARAJEVO

Hear about the assassination of the Archduke of Austria in 1914, the recent Bosnian War, and see the main sights with a Local Guide. A visit has been included to the SARAJEVO TUNNEL, built between 1992 and 1995 during the Bosnian War to supply citizens with food and war supplies. Balance of the day is at leisure.

Day 5: SARAJEVO-BELGRADE, SERBIA

A scenic drive through Bosnia brings you to Belgrade, capital of Serbia

Day 6: BELGRADE

First mention of Belgrade was in the 3rd century. Morning guided sightseeing features a drive to see the main sights, like the Santa Sava Church and a walking tour through the fascinating Kalemegdan Fortress, located at the confluence of the Danube and Sava Rivers, and symbol of the strategic importance of the city in the past. For centuries, the city population lived within the walls of the fortress. To make the most of your stay, join an exciting optional excursion

Day 7: BELGRADE-TIMISOARA, ROMANIA-SIBIU

In Timisoara, admire the Romanian Orthodox Church, seat of the archbishop, before arriving in elegant Sibiu. An orientation reveals its towers, churches, and buildings dating back to the 14th century.

Day 8: SIBIU–SIGHISOARA–BRASOV

Enter the heart of Transylvania and stop at the fortified town of Sighisoara, one of the most beautiful and wellpreserved inhabited citadels in Eastern Europe. Continue to Brasov, where guided sightseeing features the Old Town Hall, the Merchants' Hall, the 15th-century Monastery, and School of St. Nicholas. Take a walk through the Old Town and visit the impressive BLACK CHURCH. This evening, try the local food at one of Brasov's excellent restaurants

Day 9: BRASOV-BRAN CASTLE-BUCHAREST

Highlight today is a visit to Dracula's BRAN CASTLE, built in the 14th century. The castle is dramatically located on top of a hill and has, because of the legends, attracted people from all over the world. Next stop is Bucharest, capital of Romania.

Day 10: BUCHAREST

Morning sightseeing with a Local Guide features a drive along flower-festooned parks, gardens, and wide boulevards shaded by century-old trees. Also see the palace where Ceausescu, the former Romanian dictator, lived, and visit the impressive PEOPLE'S PALACE, the second-largest government building in the world after the Pentagon.





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Day 11: BUCHAREST-RUSE, BULGARIA-SOFIA

Stop in Ruse, Bulgaria's most important river port and nicknamed "Little Vienna" because of its neo-baroque and neo-rococo architecture. Arrive in Sofia, proud capital of Bulgaria.

Day 12: SOFIA

Hear about the history of this fascinating city during your guided sightseeing tour. Sofia was known as Serdica centuries before Christ, and was even ruled at one time by Alexander the Great's father, Philip of Macedonia. Visit the byzantine HOLY SOFIA CHURCH.

Day 13: SOFIA-RILA-THESSALONIKI, GREECE

Head south to reach the village of Kocherinovo, from where a scenic trip takes you high up towards the RILA MONASTERY, a beacon of the Bulgarian nation during a half-millennium of Ottoman rule. The monastery is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and throughout the centuries, it has always been the spiritual, educational, and cultural center of Bulgaria. Continue through the Struma Valley, Spartacus' mountainous homeland, before crossing the Greek border and arriving in Thessalonika.

Day 14: THESSALONIKI-THERMOPYLAE-ATHENS

Guided sightseeing features the White Tower; the Arch of Galerious, the biggest triumphal arch of the Roman Empire; the Rotonda; a visit of the BASILICA OF SAINT DEMETRIOUS; and a panoramic view of the city and the bay from the walls of the Upper City. On the way to Athens, drive along the eastern and southern side of Mount Olympus and through the battlefield of Leonidas and the 300, the Spartan forces he led during the Second Persian War and the famous Battle of Thermopylae.

Day 15: ATHENS

Discover one of the world's oldest cities with a Local Guide and start with a visit to the world-famous ACROPOLIS, perched high on a rocky outcrop overlooking the city. Here, see the Parthenon, the Erechtheum with its Porch of Maidens, the Temple of Athena Nike, and enjoy a panoramic view with glimpses of the Temple of Olympian Zeus, Theater of Dionysus, and the beautifully preserved Theseum, where Socrates taught. Later, a city orientation drive features the Parliament House and a picture stop at the Panathenaic Stadium. Built in the 2nd century AD, it is the only stadium in the world built entirely of marble, and was host to the opening and closing ceremonies of the first modern Olympics in 1896

Day 16: ATHENS

A full day at leisure gives you the opportunity to take an optional cruise to the islands. This evening, celebrate the success of your Balkan tour during a farewell dinner at the hotel

Day 17: ATHENS

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.





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Accommodation

Overnights in comfortable 4* hotels - all overnights are based on double rooms with private WC/shower 16 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

Full buffet breakfast daily; 10 three-course dinners, including a dinner at a local restaurant in Brasov This tour offers Jain, Vegetarian, Vegan, Halal and Kosher food options on request

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;

Not included

- Flights
- Insurance
- Optional
- Additional service