

# Roundtrip BULGARIA 2018

## First day: Sofia

Arrival at Sofia airport

- Standard tour of Sofia

*Explore the Bulgarian capital - a walk tour on the architectural and historical sights in the center. Sofia is one of the oldest cities in Europe, established more than 5 millennia ago. Today it is an exciting combination of history and modernity. The walk includes a visit to the remains of the fortress walls of ancient Serdika, one of the oldest churches in the city - the Rotunda "St. Georgi" as well as the cathedral "St. Alexander Nevsky".*

- Dinner and overnight in Sofia



## Second day: Sofia – Veliko Tarnovo – Tryavna ( 260 km )

- Walk through Tzarevets and Samovodska charshia



*Visit to the Old Town of Tsarevgrad - panoramic tour and sightseeing of Tsarevets fortress, the ruins of the Royal Palace and the restored Patriarchal Church - a magnificent place to feel the charm of the city.*

- Lunch in Arbanassi

*Arbanassi is famous for its architectural monuments from the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries and has been declared an architectural reserve included in the UNESCO World Heritage list. There are 80 preserved houses in Arbanassi, of which 36 are national monuments of culture.*

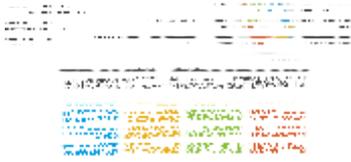


- Walk through the town of Tryavna, visit to the Daskalov house.



*Visiting the symbol of the Bulgarian Renaissance, the picturesque town of Tryavna. The old part of the town is declared an architectural reserve with some 140 monuments of Revival architecture preserved. A unique opportunity to immerse yourself in the coziness of the city and enjoy local pastrami ham and traditional delicious sweets.*

- Dinner and overnight in Tryavna.



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## Third day: Tryavna - Albena ( 290 km )

- Lunch and winetasting

*"Chateau Des Bergers" is located near the village of Ovcharovo in the famous wine region of Targovishte. Jade treasures have been discovered near the village for 8,000 years - proof that since ancient times people in these lands have enjoyed the pleasures of life. There are also 150 decares of vineyards of its own, dedicated to the production wine in small boutique series."*



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- Visit to the Stone forest



*Visiting the unique natural phenomenon Stone Forest, better known as the "Pobiti Kamani" , they represent stone pillars of varying heights - from 5 to 7 meters, they look like they are dug in the sand and their name comes from there. The legend tells how the secret to the doors of Paradise is hidden there ..*

- Dinner and overnight in Albena

## Fourth day : Albena ( 40 km)

- Leisure time for beach, walk, SPA and lunch in Albena - the Pearl on the Bulgarian Black Sea Coast

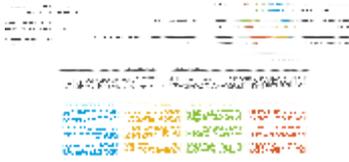


- Visit to the Palace and the Botanical Garden in Balchik



*"The Palace" in Balchik - the former summer residence of the Romanian Queen Mary. In the last century, the Queen of Romania - Maria Alexandrina Victoria de Edinburgh fell in love at first sight in the small piece of Bulgarian land lying on the Black Sea coast. Botanical Garden has a collection of plant species brought from all over the world, located on an area of 16 acres. Their total number exceeds 2,500 pieces. One of the biggest attractions is the collection of giant cacti, growing in the open from April to October. It is the second largest in Europe after Monaco.*

- Visiting the Albena vineyards , wine tasting .
- Dinner and overnight in Albena



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## Fifth day : Albena – Nessebar - Plovdiv ( 415 km )

- Tour of Old Nessebar and lunch



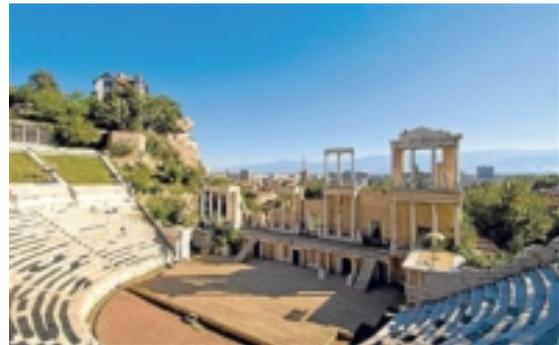
*The ancient fishing town of Nessebar is situated on a small peninsula, connected with a narrow sandy beach. Narrow streets and stone houses with thick walls and wooden verandahs, courtyards full of flowers and fig trees with the character of the city. It is included in the list of sites under the auspices of UNESCO. It is also called the town of the 40 churches that have survived to our days from the 5th to 16th centuries.*

- Dinner and overnight in Plovdiv

## Sixth day: Plovdiv – Starosel - Velingrad ( 155 km )

- Walk through the old town of Plovdiv

*Plovdiv - Ancient and Eternal, elected European Capital of Culture in 2019. The city is one of the 6 oldest cities in the world. Walk in archaeological reserve "Old Plovdiv". Here is the Ancient Roman Amphitheater built during the time of Mark Aurelius, which is the best preserved monument of this era in the country. The archaeological complex "Nebet tepe" - ruins from an ancient Thracian sanctuary, the fortress of Philippopolis - a famous Roman city, Hissar Kapia - the eastern door built 2000 years ago, as well as many houses of the National Revival, create the specific atmosphere of Old Plovdiv.*

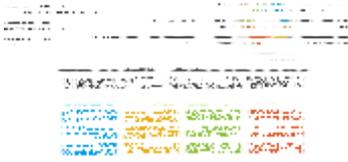


- Starosel – visit , winetasting and lunch



*Starosel - the largest gathering of Thracian temples and tombs in Bulgaria. From the 120 open mounds, 22 were explored, 6 temples and 9 burial chambers were discovered. The main temple is situated on a large hill, visible from afar. Another Thracian heritage is the divine wine, which will be tasted in a wine cellar Starosel. There will be revealed the secrets surrounding the cultivation of aromatic varieties on the Thracian lands, the preparation and preservation of the centuries-old beverage.*

- Dinner and overnight at the spa capital of Bulgaria - Velingrad.



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## Seventh day : Velingrad - Sofia ( 170 km )

- Leisure time for walk, SPA,

*The town of Velingrad is located in southern Bulgaria, situated on the border between the mountain ranges of the Rhodopes and Rila Mountains. Velingrad has a favorable climate for treating various diseases. The town is rich in mineral springs, making it the SPA capital of Bulgaria. It is believed that Orpheus once lived in these lands.*



- Dinner and overnight in Sofia

**Eight day: Breakfast at the hotel  
Transfer to Sofia airport - Departures**

**VALID FOR A GROUP OF 40 PAX MINIMUM**

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