

# CZECH REPUBLIC & HUNGARY

Fly & Drive, Cultural & Themed Tours 2014 -2015



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- Premium Incoming currently operates tours in Europe and Morocco.
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  - \* General FIT and up-market luxury individual tour services.
  - \* Culture & history, wine & gastronomy, Spa & Wellness oriented group and individual bookings.
  - Special interest & themed tours, as well as, Self Drive Holidays.
  - \* All kind of tailor made tourist packages.
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# Czech Republic & Hungary

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# **Premium Incoming Tours**



## Kings, Queens, Princess & Powerful Empires

When speaking about this región of Europe we should mention the different empires: Roman, Holy Roman & Austro-Hungarian; multiple interesting cultures; and a real passion for crystal manufacture and ornamentation.

While ethnically different, the countries of Central & Eastern Europe have shared a similar culture and history throughout the ages.

Two of the most important political units in the region were the German (1871-1914) and Austro-Hungarian empires (1867-1918).

Whenever the Habsburgs are mentioned, the image that impresses itself on most people's minds is that of the happily married imperial couple Franz Joseph and Elisabeth.

## Lands of Palaces, Castles & Cities full of life

The lands of this region are packed with palaces and castles, as well as, charming cities and small towns.

**Prague**, is a city filled with music, romance and nostalgia, also a city full of life during the day and a real romantic delight by night.

**Budapest:** Talking about the capital of Hungary means describing a place plenty of energy, ideas, symbolism. The city itself has a unique "Eastern European Charm" which is embraced by locals and travellers alike.

# Gastronomy, Wine, Beer & Coffee houses

Great cooking comes from Central & Eastern Europe, where a cold climate and long winters have inspired heartwarming, soul-satisfying, rib-sticking food made with fewer ingredients and more imagination than a sunnier climate would require. Coffee houses, gorgeous white wines and fabulous fruit brandies are some of the potable cultural gems you can enjoy when you dine and savoir wine in the heart of Europe.

# Festivals in Cezch Republic & Hungary

This region hold festivals in order to celebrate anything from: musical heroes, folk traditions, pop culture or pleasures of the table. Budapest stages almost 100 performances and events during its Spring Festival. Besides classical music, operas and jazz concerts, there are theatre performances, folk music, dance & exhibitions. Beer, wine, classical guitar and cinema all have their own festivals in the Czech Republic.

# Music, Opera, Theatre & Vibrant Nightlife

**Hungary:** After a whole day of sightseeing, Budapest will dazzle you with its wide variety of bars and nightclubs. Alternatives include pubs, dance clubs and lounges, as well as, some cool open-air places that are open for the public in summer, such as roof decks and historical ruins.

**Czech Republic:** Theatre in Prague is worth going, not only for the performances of opera, symphony and drama, but also for the elegant buildings in which they're held.







# **Premium Incoming Tours**

# Discover Czech Republic & Hungary

Natural and historical man-made wonders of this región of Europe are famous throughout the world. But no book or photo could ever convey the true feeling of touching Baroque walls, walking along a Gothic bridge or listening to a legendary waltz while savoring a cup of coffee. **Premium Incoming Tours** can make you experience those sensations and more, while discovering all things that these countries of the heart of Europe have to offer.



## Czech Republic: Magic of a Fairy Tale Country

The fairy tale skylines and medieval streets of **Prague** and Český Krumlov are breathtaking; Pilsen is known worldwide for its Pilsner beer; in Brno see a wealth of 19th and 20th century architecture including Art Nouveau. The Spa towns, such as Karlovy Vary, Mariánské Lázně and Františkovy Lázně, are popular relaxing destinations and picturesque castles and villages dot a gentle countryside. There are 12 cathedrals and 15 churches elevated to the rank of basilica by the Pope, as well as, calm monasteries and ancient churches. If you're a cinema buff, you can tour locations for movies such as "Amadeus" and "Mission Impossible". Festivals celebrating arts, history, crafts, food and beer abound adding a wonderful dynamism to your sightseeing. The country is also known for its museums, very popular are puppetry and marionettes exhibitions including a number of puppet festivals. The White Carpathians are designated UNESCO biosphere reserve for their unique mix of oak and beech forests and the astonishing flora and fauna they shelter.

## Hungary: Land of Spa towns & hot Springs

After you've climbed Castle Hill, seen the UNESCO-listed monuments viewed from both sides of the Danube, attended a performance at the elegant Hungarian State Opera House and hung out at a café, you cannot avoid to be bewitched by **Budapest**. You can also head for **Balaton**, the "Hungarian Sea", the largest lake in Central Europe, to the south for lakeside resorts and to the north if you'd like to do some spectacular bird and wildlife watching. East of the Danube and south of the mountains lies the flattest and quietest land of Hungary, and the largest continuous grassland in Europe, called the Great Plain. Rivers run through it, national parks divide it, Hungarian cowboys and herds of animals roam it, and spas fill it with life. This is the land where life is hassle-free and where horizons are endless. Where the Carpathian Mountains reach into Hungary is an unbelievable concentration of attractions. You'll find storybook villages, vibrant craft traditions, caves to explore, mountain sports, most of Hungary's UNESCO sites, and wineries producing the famous Tokaj and Bull's Blood of Eger wines.







Prague - Kutná Hora - Karlovy Vary - Plzen - Cesky Krumlov - Tábor 8 Da

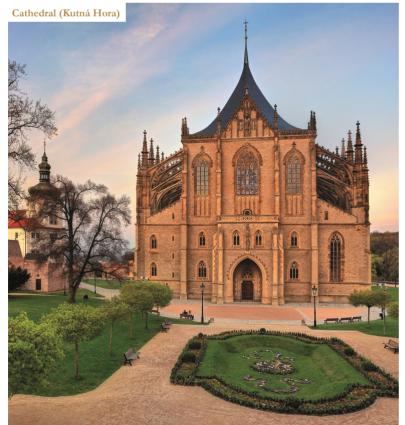
8 Days / 7 Nights

# The Price Includes

- Overnight Accommodation with Buffet Breakfast, 4 nights in Prague, 1 night in Karlovy Vary & 2 night in Cesky Krumlov at the selected hotel category.
- Rented Car for the period and the chosen category from Prague Airport to Prague Airport (devolution must be made at same hour as pick up or sooner), including 3600 km (every 1000 km must be announced) use, Collision Damage Waiver and Theft Protection, Highway Sticker for Czech Republic, Airport Service Charge, Vehicle Licensee Fee and VAT. All protections and insurances are with participation. Car rental company will ask for Credit Card for the delivery of vehicle, as a deposit.
- Folklore Garden for an exciting folkloric evening, with traditional Czech dances, meal & unlimited drinks (transfers included).

#### Introducing the Tour

With a confortable rented car you will drive from the old town of Prague, with its maze of cobbled lanes, hidden courtyards, ancient chapels, charming cafes and old-fashioned bars, to discover amazing Czech heritage towns such as Kutná Hora, a historical ancient silver mining town which was second after Prague & to Podebry, a historical spa town surrounded by natural Parks and Forests. Then you will visit the famous Spa city of Karlovy Vary, the beer city of Pilsen and the wonderful medieval town of Český Krumlov, a true gem and one of the first places in the Czech Republic that was listed as UNESCO World Heritage site. Also you will be able to discover more castles and palaces before you return to Prgaue, one of the most beautiful cities en Europe.



#### Day 1 | ORIGIN - PRAGUE

Arrival to Prague airport and pick up your rented car. Drive to your hotel & check-in. Rest of day free to explore the city of hundred towers, also called the "Golden city". *Overnight in Prague*.

#### Day 2 | PRAGUE

Buffet Breakfast. You will be able to visit this wonderful city on your own. Since 1992, the extensive historic centre of Prague has been included in the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites. The city centre is divided into five areas. The famous 14th century Charles Bridge is the main pedestrian connection between the two parts of the city. On one side of the VItava River is the Old Town (Staré Město), with the Old Town Square at its heart; the New Town (Nové Město), with Wenceslas Square at its heart; and the Jewish Quarter (Josefov). On the other side of the river is the Lesser Town (Malá Strana), and the Castle District (Hradčany), with Prague Castle at its heart. Overnight in Prague.

#### Day 3 | PRAGUE (KUTNÁ HORA & PODEBRADY)

Buffet Breakfast. Drive to Kutná Hora (75 km /1 hr: 30 min approx.), a World Heritage city where you can visit the Saint Barbara Church and the nearby Sedlec Ossuary. The historically significant ancient silver mining town of Kutná Hora was the second most important population in the medieval Kingdom of Bohemia after Prague. In the afternoon continue to Poděbrady, a historical spa town surrounded by natural Parks and Forests. Return back to Prague (60 km/1 hr approx.). Overnight in Prague.





# Day 4 | PRAGUE - LOKET - KARLOVY VARY

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Buffet Breakfast. Drive to Loket (it means "elbow" in English). The town is named this due to the town centre being surrounded on three sides by the Ohře River, and the shape the river takes is similar to that of an elbow. The town centre itself features Loket Castle, a 12th-century gothic castle (145 km/ approx 2 hrs). Continue to the world famous spa city of Karlovy Vary Which lies in a green valley of the river Teplá (meaning "Warm") and its setting alone gives it an atmosphere of beauty and peace. The town has been recapturing its former glory with its Baroque and Art Nouveau buildings being restored and people rediscovering all the town has to offer. Arrival and check-in at your hotel. Free afternoon, with optional services such as short spa treatments, etc. Overnight in Karlovy Vary.

#### Day 5 | KARLOVY VARY - PLZEŇ - PÍSEK - ČESKÝ KRUMLOV

**Buffet Breakfast.** Drive to the famous brewery city of Plzeň (1 hr:15 min approx), which you can shortly visit before the brewery tour. Enjoy an exciting tour of the Pilsner Urquell brewery, with exclusive access to



the places where the famous lager is brewed. At the end of the tour, you will be able to taste an exclusive sample of the Pilsner Urquell beer non pasteurized and original (Entrance ticket is Included). Lunch at restaurant "Na Spilce", part of the brewery, where you can enjoy the nice environment and atmosphere of the place. Drive to Písek, the city with the oldest stone bridge in Czech Republic (90 km/1 hr.: 30 min) . Here you have some free time to visit the town. Continue to Český Krumlov, a wonderful world heritage city. Overnight in Ceský Krumlov.

#### Day 6 | ČESKÝ KRUMLOV (JINDŘICHŮV HRADEC & TŘEBOŇ)

Buffet Breakfast. In the morning take some time to explore the wonderful medieval town of Český Krumlov a true gem and one of the first places in the Czech Republic that was listed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. Later drive to Jindřichův Hradec and time to visit the old town. The city castle and palace is the third largest in the country after those in Prague and Český Krumlov. It covers three ha. and contains 320 rooms. More than 10,000 works of art and a similar number of books may be found there. The district museum, which is in a renaissance building that was once the Jesuit seminary appeared in the city in 1882 and is one of the oldest regional museums in Bohemia. Continue to the historical town of Třeboň. Time to explore the Masaryk Square and the remains of old town fortification. Overnight in Ceský Krumlov.



Day 7 | ČESKÝ KRUMLOV - ČESKÉ BUDĚJOVICE – HLUBOKÁ – TÁBOR - PRAGUE

Buffet Breakfast. Drive to České Budějovice, the capital of South Bohemia, with its elegant townhouses gathered around one of the largest squares in Europe, an idyllic salt store and a brewery cooking up the original Budvar beer and the Cathedral of St. Nicholas. This city has preserved its historical character over the centuries but is also a modern regional centre. You can savour the city's pleasant atmosphere with a tankard of its famous beer. Continue to Hluboká Castle (closed on Mondays), one of the most beautiful and romantic castles in the Czech Republic, a fairy-tale residence woven from a beautiful lady's dream. Drive to Tábor with its labyrinth of medieval streets, monumental city walls, and a fascinating history. You'll find all this in the South Bohemian city of Tábor, founded in the 15th century as a model of the perfect city, where everyone is equal. You can learn the story of a place which in the Middle Ages became indelibly inscribed in the history of the Czech lands with its unparalleled atmosphere. Drive back to Prague. Arrival to your hotel and check in. Later on transfer to Folklore Garden and enjoy an exciting folkloric evening, with traditional Czech dances, great meal and unlimited drinks. Transfer back to your hotel at the end. Overnight in Prague.



Day 8 | PRAGUE - ORIGIN

**Buffet Breakfast** Drive to Prague airport for the rented car delivery and for your return flight. *End of our services*.





Prague - Pilsen - Karlovy Vary - Brno - Olomouc

7 Days / 6 Nights

# The Price Includes

- Transfers, Prague Airport Hotel Prague Airport & Transfers Hotel Prague train station & Vice Versa.
- Overnight Accommodation including Buffet Breakfast, 5 nights in Prague, 1 night in Brno at the chosen hotel or similar.
- Prague City Tour on regular basis (Transfers included) & Wine tasting at Villa Richter in Prague.
- Meals: Dinner at Folklore Garden in Prague (Transfers included). Lunch at Restaurant U Fleku in Prague.
- Ticket for the tour at Pilsen Brewery & beer museum including Lunch at "Na Spilce" (Restaurant part of the brewery).
- Full day excursion to Karlovy Vary (regular lunch included).
- Train Tickets (tourist class): from Prague to Pilsen & Vice Versa.
- Train Tickets (tourist class): from Prague to Brno & Brno, Olomouc and Prague.

#### Introducing the tour

This five senses Experience tour will make you discover the Czech Crystal, Wineries & important Heritage of Czech Republic. You will enjoy delicious meals at typical and folkloric restaurants in Prague as well as Wine testing experiences. Then you will travel to Pilsen where you will join a tour at Pilsen Brewery & beer museum. You will also enjoy a full day excursion to the world famous Spa town of Karlovy Vary, historically famous for its hot springs (13 main springs, about 300 smaller springs, and the warm-water Teplá River). In Brno, the second largest city in the country you can visit its basilica, Europe's most southern Gothic building built in bricks and the well know Villa Tugendhat (World Heritage Site). From here you will savour wine tasting at a typical Moravian winery. At the end you will discover the historical heart of Olomouc, which is dominated by the Holy Trinity Column, a monument included in the UNESCO list. Its height and monumentality captivate the visitor at first glance.



#### Day 1 | ORIGIN - PRAGUE

Upon arrival to Prague Airport you will be welcomed by our driver and then transfer to your hotel. Check-in and rest of the day free to explore the "Golden city". Transfer to the **Folklore Garden** to enjoy an exciting **folkloric evening** with traditional Czech dances, great meal and unlimited drinks. At the end transfer to your hotel. *Overnight in Prague.* 

#### Day 2 | PRAGUE (Grand City Tour)

Buffet Breakfast You will enjoy a half day Prague Grand City Tour. From the comfort of an air-conditioned bus you will see the New Town with the Wenceslas Square, the National Museum, the National Theatre, the panorama of Prague Castle and the Lesser Town as well as the Charles Bridge. Then you will continue walking in the courtyards of the Prague Castle, become acquainted with its history and you will visit Saint Vitus' Cathedral. After visiting the grounds of Prague Castle, you will descend to the Lesser Town and the Kampa Island. The Charles Bridge will lead you to the opposite bank of the Vitava River, from where you will continue on foot to the Old Town and the Jewish Quarter. The tour ends at the Old Town Square just next to the Old Town Hall. Lunch at "UFleku", a nice typical Czech Restaurant with its own brewery. Continue to Villa Richter for wine tasting (4 wines and Czech cheese) with wonderful views over the city. Overnight in Prague.



# Prague - Pilsen - Karlovy Vary - Brno - Olomouc

7 Days / 6 Nights

#### Day 3 | PRAGUE - PILSEN - PRAGUE

Buffet Breakfast. Transfer to Prague train Station and departure by train to Pilsen, place of the world's finest beer. When, in 1842, a very clever brewer by the name of Josef Groll cooked up some ale using a new method called bottom fermentation, he had no idea it would become the beer against which all others would be measured. The city of Pilsen is packed with historic sights such as the Cathedral of St Bartholomew, which boasts the tallest church spire in the country. Once at Pilsner Urquell Brewery you will enjoy an exciting tour with access to the places where the famous lager is brewed. At the end of the tour, you can taste a sample of the Pilsner Urquell beer non pasteurized and simply original. Lunch at restaurant "Na Spilce, part of the brewery where you can enjoy the nice atmosphere of the place. Later, you will also visit the beer museum where you will learn more about the history of beer. Once at the train station you board your train back to Prague. Arrival and transfer to your hotel. Overnight in Prague.



#### Day 4 | PRAGUE - KARLOVY VARY - PRAGUE

Buffet Breakfast. Full day excursión to Karlovy Vary (lunch included). The world famous spa town of Karlovy Vary, also known by its German name of Karlsbad (or Carlsbad in English), was founded in 1350 by the Czech King and Holy Roman Emperor Charles IV. The town's visitors over the years have included Casanova, Ludwig van Beethoven, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Franz Kafka, Alphonse Mucha, etc. Karlovy Vary lies in a green valley of the river Teplá (meaning "Warm") and its setting alone gives it an atmosphere of beauty and peace. The town has been recapturing its former glory with its Baroque and Art Nouveau buildings. It is historically famous for its hot springs (13 main springs, about 300 smaller springs, and the warm-water Teplá River). After arriving to Karlovy Vary you will be taken on a guided tour of the town centre to discover the most famous geyser Vřídlo (Sprudel), gushing its mineral water to a height of almost 12 metres. After lunch you will be free to explore the city. Back to your hotel. Overnight in Prague.

### Day 5 | PRAGUE - BRNO

Buffet Breakfast. Transfer to Prague train station for your trip by train to Brno. Arrival and check in at your hotel. Free time to explore the second largest city in the country. The most visited sights include **Špilberk castle & fortress** and the **Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul** on Petrov Hill, two important medieval buildings. The old **Brno monastery** was established as a Cistercian convent (1323). The **basilica** is the Europe's most southern Gothic building built in bricks.



Another monument is the **Villa Tugendhat** (World Heritage Site). Transfer to a **typical Moravian winery** for wine tasting (Wine, bread & cheese). Also a wine professional will guide you through the different tastes and types of wine. Transfer to your hotel. **Overnight in Brno**.

#### Day 6 | BRNO - OLOMOUC - PRAGUE

Buffet Breakfast. Check out and head to train station for your trip to Olomouc. Arrival to this wonderful city which has always been one of the most important in the Kingdom of Bohemia. Thanks to its advantageous position, ancient university, spiritual and cultural traditions, it has been the natural centre of Moravia for many centuries. The historical heart of Olomouc, which is dominated by the Holy Trinity Column, which is included in the UNESCO list, is the second most important monument zone in the country after Prague. Its height and monumentality captivate the visitor at first glance. It is so large that there is even a small chapel hidden in its bowels. In order to feel the true atmosphere of elegant Olomouc, all you need do is take a seat at the foot of the Holy Trinity Column and watch what is going on around you. The magnificent city palaces, the pleasant cafes and the ubiquitous students from the local universities provide the perfect backdrop for this monumental and at the same time harmonious Baroque work of art. Once at the railway station you will take the train to Prague. Arrival and transfer to hotel. Overnight in Prague.



Day 8 | PRAGUE - ORIGIN

**Buffet Breakfast** Check out at your hotel. Private transfer to Prague airport for your return flight and *end of our services*.





Prague - Konopiste - Karlstejn - Karlovy Vary & Surroundings

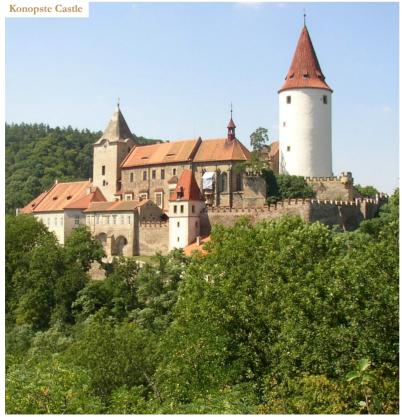
8 Days / 7 Nights

# The Price Includes

- Private transfers, Prague Airport hotel Prague Airport.
- Overnight Accommodation including Buffet Breakfast, 4 nights in Prague & 3 nights in Karlovy Vary at chosen hotel or similar.
- Prague City Tour on Regular basis (Pick up from hotel is included).
- Full day private excursion to Konopiště & Karlštejn including entrance tickets to both castles.
- Train ticket (tourist class) from Prague to Karlovy Vary & Vice Versa.
- Private transfer from Karlovy Vary to Loket & from Karlovy Vary to Mariánské Lázně & Františkovy Lázně.
- Dinner & unlimited drinks with traditional Czech dances at Folklore Garden including transfers from hotel.

#### Introducing the tour

This is an exciting way of discovering the world heritage Castles, towns and Palaces of the Czceh Republic. From Prague, "the Golden City" considered one of the most beautiful cities in Europe you will visit two unique gems among the castles of the Czech Republic, Konopiste & Karlstejn (open only from 1st April to 31 October). Then you will travel by train to Karlovy Vary, the incarnation of spa elegance, imposing colonnades, exclusive spa buildings. From here you will visit Loket Castle, a 12th-century Gothic style castle located on a massive rock (12 km from Karlovy Vary). At the end you will be able to discover the famous jewels of the West Bohemian Spa Triangle, Mariánské Lázně where you have the sense that you have been transported back in time to a century ago & Františkovy Lázně where Goethe stayed and described it as "heaven on earth".



#### Day 1 | ORIGIN - PRAGUE

Upon arrival to Prague Airport you will be welcomed by our driver and then transfer to the hotel. Check-in and rest of the day free to explore the capital of Czech Republic, city of hundred towers, also called the "Golden city", considered one of the most beautiful in Europe. *Overnight in Prague*.

## Day 2 | PRAGUE (Half day Grand City Tour)

Buffet Breakfast Prague is a magical city of bridges, cathedrals, gold-tipped towers and church domes, which has been mirrored in the surface of the swan-filled Vltava River for more than ten centuries. Today you will enjoy a half day Prague Grand City Tour. You will see (from outside) the New Town with the Wenceslas Square, the National Museum, the National Theatre, then yu will enjoy a fantastic panorama of Prague Castle and the Lesser Town as well as the Charles Bridge. Then you will continue walking in the courtyards of the Prague Castle, become acquainted with its history and you will visit the inside of its biggest monument, Saint Vitus' Cathedral. After visiting the grounds of Prague Castle, you will descend to the Lesser Town and the Kampa Island. The Charles Bridge, the architectural gem of Central Europe will lead you to the opposite bank of the Vltava River, from where you will continue on foot to the Old Town and the Jewish Quarter. The tour ends at the Old Town Square at the Astronomical Clock situated on the frontage of the Old Town Hall near the Týn Church. Overnight in Prague.





## Prague - Konopiste - Karlstejn - Karlovy Vary & Surroundings

8 Days /7 Nights

#### Day 3 | PRAGUE (KONOPIŠTĚ & KARLŠTEJN)

Buffet Breakfast. During this day tour you will visit two unique gems among the castles of the Czech Republic. First you will visit the Konopiště Castle (45 km). The castle was founded in the 13th century and is well renowned for its fascinating collection of antique weaponry and furniture. Founded as a Gothic fortress, it was inspired by French fortresses with a symmetrical layout of the towers, several entrances and drawbridges. After this stop, you will continue westwards to the historical Karlštejn Castle. In the 14th century Charles IV, King of Bohemia and Holy Roman Emperor, had this gothic monument built as a depository for the Empire crown jewels and relics of the saints. It boasts incomparable history and breathtaking views of the surrounding countryside. Transfer back to your hotel. *Overnight in Prague*.



#### Day 4 | PRAGUE - KARLOVY VARY (LOKET CASTEL)

Buffet Breakfast. Transfer to Prague train station for your trip to Karlovy Vary. Arrival and check in at your hotel. Later on, private transfer to the nearby Loket Castle, a 12th-century Gothic style castle located about 12 km from Karlovy Vary on a massive rock in the town of Loket. It is surrounded on three sides by the Ohře river. Once known as "the Impregnable Castle of Bohemia", because of its thick walls, it is one of the oldest and most valuable historical stone castles in the Czech lands. Back to your hotel. Karlovy Vary, the incarnation of spa elegance, imposing colonnades, exclusive spa buildings and a wonderful layout in the heart of a forested valley. That is Karlovy Vary. The best known town in the world renowned West Bohemian Spa Triangle, in which some of the most famous figures in European artistic and cultural life have enjoyed treatment, is today the second most visited spot in the Czech Republic. Thanks to its unique architecture, it is one of Europe's most beautiful spas. *Overnight in Karlovy Vary*.

#### Day 5 | KARLOVY VARY (Elegant Spa city)

**Buffet Breakfast.** Enjoy a free day at this famous elegant spa city. You can visit the city, go on shopping or relax with some healthy procedures, which you can book on site, but we recommend you to make the reservation in advance with Premium Incoming to prevent fully booked periods. Karlovy Vary's greatest wealth is its 13 hot mineral springs, which are used to treat illnesses affecting the digestive system and metabolism disorders, along with problems linked to cancers and the motor apparatus. *Overnight in Karlovy Vary*.



# Day 6 | KARLOVY VARY - MARIÁNSKÉ LÁZNĚ - FRANTIŠKOVY LÁZNĚ - KARLOVY VARY (Western Bohemian Spa Triangle)

Buffet Breakfast. Today you will be able to discover the famous jewels of the West Bohemian Spa Triangle. First we head to Mariánské Lázně. Arrival and free time to visit this wonderful site on your own. When you pass through the heart of Mariánské Lázně you have the sense that you have been transported back in time to a century ago with the wave of a magic wand. Splendid spa buildings alternate with blossoming parks in which spa guests sit, sipping contentedly on jugs filled from some of the town's famous springs. Get to know the story of a town which, at the height of its fame, hosted the most important of statesmen and artists, and remains one of Europe's most beautiful spa towns. Continue to Františkovy Lázně. When Goethe was staying in Františkovy Lázně, he described the town as "heaven on earth". To this day the smallest settlement in the famous West Bohemian spa triangle still boasts elegant neo-Classical colonnades, well-pruned parks, an agreeable ambience and a feeling of tranquillity, rest and relaxation. Free time to explore this wonderful site. Back to your hotel. Overnight in Karlovy Vary.

#### Day 6 | KARLOVY VARY - PRAGUE

**Buffet Breakfast.** Free time in Karlovy Vary. Luxury bus to Prague. Option Transfers in both cities form bus station to hotel. *Overnight in Prague*.



Day 8 | PRAGUE - ORIGIN

**Buffet Breakfast** Check out at the hotel. Private transfer to Prague airport for your return flight and *end of our services*.





Prague - Český Krumlov - Telč - Třebíč - Brno - Litomyšl - Kutná Hora

8 Days / 7Nights

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- Overnight Accommodation including Buffet Breakfast, 4 nights in Prague, 1 night in Český Krumlov, 1 night in Brno & 1 night in Litomyšl at the chosen hotel or similar.
- Meals: Dinner at Folklore Garden (pick up from hotel is included) & Lunch at U Fleku in Prague (transfers not included).
- Full day excursión to Český Krumlov (regular): including lunch and Castle museum.
- Private car with English Speaking driver: from day 4 to day 6 from Český Krumlov to Prague as per program.

### Introducing the Tour

From Prague you will dicover World heritage Czech Jewels such as Český Krumlov, a medieval town which retains its fairytale-like atmosphere; Telč, with houses built of wood standing on a hilltop; Třebíč with its Jewish Quarter; Brno, with the Špilberk castle & fortress and the Cathedral of Saints Peter & Paul; Zelená Hora where a pilgrimage church built in honour of St John of Nepomuk still stands; Litomyšl Castle originally a Renaissance arcade-castle adopted and greatly developed in central Europe in the 16th century & Kutná Hora which in the 14th century became a royal city endowed with monuments that symbolized its prosperity.



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Buffet Breakfast. Enjoy a half day Prague Grand City Tour. You will see the New Town with Wenceslas Square, the National Theatre, the panorama of Prague Castle and the Lesser Town. Then you will continue walking in the courtyards of Prague Castle and you will visit the inside of its biggest monument, Saint Vitus' Cathedral. Then you will descend to the Lesser Town. Charles Bridge, the architectural gem of the city will lead you to the opposite bank of the Vltava River, from where you will continue on foot to the Old Town and the Jewish Quarter. The tour ends at the Old Town Square. Dinner at "U Fleků" (Transfers not included). Overnight in Prague.

#### Day 3 | PRAGUE - ČESKÝ KRUMLOV (South Bohemia)

Buffet Breakfast. Full day excursion to Český Krumlov, a medieval town which retains its fairytale-like atmosphere and is included on UNESCO's list of cultural heritage sites. Our guide will lead you through the narrow, winding streets of the historical center, filled with Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque buildings from the times of the Rožmberk, Eggenberg and Schwarzenberg noble families. Next, you can enjoy traditional Czech delicacies with lunch at a local restaurant. Finally, you will visit the local Castle Museum and have the unique opportunity to peek into secrets of castle depositories, which are reminiscent of the most important events related to owners Krumlov estate. Overnight in Český Krumlov.





Prague - Český Krumlov - Telč - Třebíč - Brno - Zelená Hora - Kutná Hora

8 Days / 7 Nights

#### Day 4 | ČESKÝ KRUMLOV - HOLASOVICE - TELČ - TŘEBÍČ - BRNO

Buffet Breakfast. Departure from Český Krumlov to Holašovice, an exceptionally well-preserved example of a traditional central European village. It has a large number of outstanding 18th- and 19th-century vernacular buildings in a style known as 'South Bohemian folk Baroque', and preserves a ground plan dating from the Middle Ages. Continue to Telč, where you will have lunch (not included). The houses in Telč, which stands on a hilltop, were originally built of wood. After a fire in the late 14th century, the town was rebuilt in stone, surrounded by walls and further strengthened by a network of artificial ponds. The town's Gothic castle was reconstructed in High Gothic style in the late 15th century. Later you will visit Třebíč. The ensemble of the Jewish Quarter, the old Jewish cemetery and the Basilica of St Procopius in Třebíč are reminders of the co-existence of Jewish and Christian cultures. See the St Procopius' Basilica, built as part of the Benedictine monastery in the early 13th century. Overnight in Brno.



### Day 5 | BRNO - ZELENÁ HORA - LITOMYSL

Buffet Breakfast. Start visiting Brno. The most visited sights of the city include the Špilberk castle and fortress and the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul on Petrov hill, two medieval buildings that dominate the cityscape and are often depicted as its traditional symbols. The Tugendhat Villa in Brno, designed by the architect Mies van der Rohe, is an outstanding example of the international style in the modern movement in architecture as it developed in Europe in the 1920s. Its particular value lies in the application of innovative spatial and aesthetic concepts that aim to satisfy new lifestyle needs by taking advantage of the opportunities afforded by modern industrial production. Continue to Zelená Hora, where a pilgrimage church built in honour of St John of Nepomuk stands, not far from Ždár nad Sázavou in Moravia. Constructed at the beginning of the 18th century on a star-shaped plan, it is the most unusual work by the great architect Jan Blazej Santini, whose highly original style falls between neo-Gothic and Baroque. Then head to Litomyšl. And check in at your hotel. Litomyšl Castle was originally a Renaissance arcade-castle of the type first developed in Italy and then adopted and greatly developed in central Europe in the 16th century. Its design and decoration are particularly fine, including the later High-Baroque features added in the 18th century. It preserves intact the range of ancillary buildings associated with an aristocratic residence of this type. Overnight in Lytomyšl.



#### Day 6 | LYTOMYSL - KUTNÁ HORA - PRAGUE

Buffet Breakfast. In the morning departure to Kutná Hura, which will take you most of the day to visit. Kutná Hora developed as a result of the exploitation of the silver mines. In the 14th century it became a royal city endowed with monuments that symbolized its prosperity. The Church of St Barbara, a jewel of the late Gothic period, and the Cathedral of Our Lady at Sedlec, which was restored in line with the Baroque taste of the early 18th century, were to influence the architecture of central Europe. These masterpieces today form part of a well-preserved medieval urban fabric with some particularly fine private dwellings. Overnight in Prague.

#### Day 7 | PRAGUE (Option: Day trips to the Surroundings)

Buffet Breakfast. Day at leisure. *Daytrips: FD Pilsen Brewery & Koneprusy Karst Caves* (Visit Pilsen, the city of beer where Pilsner Urquell is produced & Koněprusy, a village known for the longest system of caves. HD Konopiste Chateau (visit the former seat of the successor to the Habsburg throne, Franz Ferdinand d'Este with his extensive art collection) and Karlovy Vary the best known spa town, including a visit to the famous Moser glass Factory. In the evening transfer to Folklore Garden and enjoy an exciting folkloric evening, with traditional Czech dances, great meal and unlimited drinks. Transfer back to your hotel. *Overnight in Prague*.



Day 8 | PRAGUE - ORIGIN

**Buffet Breakfast** Check out from your hotel. Private transfer to Prague Airport for your return flight and *end of our services*.





Budapest - Danube Bend - Veszprém - Herend - Balaton - Hévíz - Sopron 8 Days / 7 Nights

# The Price Includes

- Overnight Accommodation with Buffet Breakfast, 4 nights in Budapest (Bed & Breakfast) & 3 Nights in Hévíz (Half board).
- Rented Car for period & chosen category from Budapest Airport to Budapest Airport, including 3600 km use, Collision Damage Waiver & Theft Protection, Highway Sticker for Hungary, Airport Service Charge, Vehicle Licensee Fee and VAT. Car rental company will ask for Credit Card for the delivery of vehicle, as a deposit (Luxury: Cat F type: VW Passat CRTDI Economy Cat B type: VW Polo)

#### Introducing the tour

Divided into two parts, "Buda" and "Pest" by the great Danube, Budapest draws the visitor with its beauty and grandeur. It is also the only European capital with over than one hundred thermal springs and 12 Public baths. After a full day visiting the city, relaxing in a hot pool will get you back on your feet with renewed energy. Starting from Budapest, the Hungarian capital, this fly & drive tour offers a unique experience learning about the most important hungarian symbols. First you will discover the Danube Bend, visiting the small towns of Szentendre, Visegrád and Esztergom. Near Veszprém, in Herend, you will be able to visit the famous Porcelain Manufactory specializing in luxury hand painted and gilded porcelain since 1826. Later you can visit Balaton Lake, the "hungarian sea", and relax at your hotel in Lake Hévíz with its Spa facilities. From there you will continue to Sopron, Györ with its beautiful baroque center and Pannonhalma Abbey, one of the oldest historical monuments in Hungary, before driving back to Budapest.



### Day 1 | ORIGIN - BUDAPEST

Upon arrival to Budapest Airport you will be pick up your rented car and then drive to your hotel. Check-in and rest of the day free to explore the capital of Hungary. *Overnight in Budapest*.

## Day 2 | BUDAPEST

Buffet Breakfast. Today you can discover this wonderful city on your own peace. Budapest, whose name is the composition of the city names of "Buda" and "Pest", may be known for its thermal baths but there are also plenty of other attractions. You will be able to see the elegant Heroes Square, the imposing State Opera House, the neo-Gothic Parliament, the biggest building in Hungary containing amongst other things the Hungarian Crown Jewels, the former Royal Palace one of the symbols of Hungary and the Citadel. You can aslo take an additional walk in the Castle District to enjoy its unique medieval atmosphere and get carried away in history. In the evening you can explore the Hungarian tastes in the Central Market, short walk in the ruin pub's area, visiting the main "treasure boxes" of the old Jewish District, and we finish our exciting tour at the famous Gerbeaud Coffee house where you can have a recovering coffee and taste the famous Hungarian cakes. Overnight in Budapest.

# Day 3 | BUDAPEST - DANUBE BEND (Esztergom, Visegrad & Szentendre) - BUDAPEST (97 km)

**Buffet Breakfast.** Today you will have the opportunity to explore and enjoy the famous **Danube Bend** towns. First you can visit **Esztergom**, the center of the Catholic Church is Hungary.





## Budapest - Danube Bend - Veszprém - Herend - Hévíz - Balaton - Sopron

8 Days / 7 Nights

It was the capital of Hungary from the 10th till the mid-13th century when King Béla IV of Hungary moved the royal seat to Buda. Then proceed to **Visegrád**, the former Royal Residence, where you'll be able to see the breathtaking Danube Bend from the top of the Visegrád Hill. Then you will end in **Szentendre**, the magical Artists' Village which is known for its museums (most notably the Open-Air Ethnographic Museum), galleries, and artists. *Overnight in Budapest*.

# Day 4 | BUDAPEST - VESZPRÉM - HEREND - BALATONFÜED - TIHANY - HÉVÍS (247 km)

**Buffet Breakfast.** Drive to **Veszprém**, one of the oldest urban areas in Hungary, and a city with county rights. The county's beauty and importance are provided by its varied countryside, mineral resources and its many monuments which reminds us of the region's historical past. The Badacsony Hills, the historical wine-districts, the beautiful monuments in Veszprém castle and Tihany Abbey each might well be a symbol of the county in their own right. In **Herend** you can discover the world famous Porcelain Manufactory products in the making. Then from



**Tihany Abbey** (with its beautiful frescos, built in the first half of the 18th century) the spectacular scenery of the Hungarian "sea" (Lake Balaton) takes your breath away. In **Eco** you can discover its main promenade with nice traditional houses. Later in **Balatonfüred** you can have a walk on the Tagore Promenade, the Nobelist indian poet who came here in 1926 for its medicinal waters and planted a tree there. Continue to Hévíz lake and check at your hotel. **Overnight in Hévíz**.

#### Day 5 | HÉVÍZ - KESZTHELY - SÜMEG - SZIGLIGET - HÉVÍZ

Buffet Breakfast. Drive to Keszthely where you can visit the Splendid Baroque Festetics Palace, one of the three largest palaces in Hungary. Its construction was started by Kristóf Festetics in 1745 and lasted more than a century. The building is surrounded by a nature reserve park. The sights in the park include trees that are hundreds of years old, colourful flowerbeds, fountains, statues, the garden pond and the fountain decorated with lions. Then head to Sümeg where you can discover an imposing castle which is irregular in shape, and situated in a north-south orientation atop of a mountain called "Castle Hill". It has two towers, and is 125 metres long and 80 metres wide. In Szigliget you can see the ruins of another castle which was completed in 1262. A small village with a church had been developed under the Castle belonging to it as usual in the life of a border fortress. Overnight in Hévíz.



#### Day 6 | HÉVÍZ (Enjoy Spa facilities of Hotel & Lake Hévíz)

**Buffet Breakfast.** Free time to enjoy the Spa facilities of hotel and Lake Hévíz. The **Lake Heviz region** has been populated since the end of the 4th century, BC., being the only lake used as a spa throughout the ages. The spa village started to form around the end of the 18th century. In 1992, the village became a town, which brought improvements. The water's and the lake bed's composition leads to unique micro organisms, which contribute to the thermal water's healing power. *Overnight in Hévíz*.

#### Day 7 | HÉVÍZ - SOPRON - FERTÓD - GYÓR - PANNONHALMA- BUDAPEST

Buffet Breakfast. Drive to Sopron, one of the oldest jewel boxes of the country. We can highlight the Fire-watch Tower, the main Square, the impressive Saint Ursula's Church and the excellent wines of the region. Continue to Fertód, the location of the splendid Eszterháza palace, which was built in the 1760s, with two opera houses. Sometimes called the "Hungarian Versailles", it was home of the compositor Joseph Haydn from 1766 to 1790. Proceed to Győr, Hungary's second richest town in historic buildings after Budapest. Churches, palaces, museums, corner-balconies and narrow lanes, all are reminders of a historic past at its baroque center. Later visit Pannonhalma Abbey, one of the oldest historical monuments in Hungary, which was founded in 996. Overnight in Budapest.



#### Day 8 | BUDAPEST - ORIGIN

**Buffet Breakfast** Check out at the hotel. Drive to Budapest airport for car delivery and for your return flight. *End of our services*.





# **Budapest & Day trips Experience**

7 Days / 6 Nights

# The Price Includes

- Private transfers, Budapest Airport hotel Budapest Airport.
- Overnight Accommodation including Buffet Breakfast, 6 nights in Budapest in the chosen hotel or similar.
- Grand City tour of Budapest on regular basis (duration 3 hrs).
- Culinary walking tour with English-speaking guide, including cake selection and a coffee at Gerbeaud confectionery;1 soft drink at Jewish quarter and snacks tasting in Budapest Central Market.
- Entrance ticket to Gellért or Széchenyi Bath.
- Folklore evening tour on regular basis (Summer: Tue, Thu, Fri & Sat; Winter: Fri & Sat).
- Full day excursion to Eger with English-speaking drive guide, including a wine tasting (selection of 3 wines).

#### Introducing the tour

Starting in Budapest, a city divided into two parts by the Danube, this five senses exciting tour will make you experience with all your five senses all what the hungarian capital can offer. You will have a culinary walking discovery; a Spa & thermal bath Experience; a unique interactive journey to an invisible world at the Invisible Exhibition only by touch, sounds and scent; a folckloric evening tour and a romantic cruise on the Danube river. Then you will take a full day excursion to Eger, a city rich in monuments and natural attractions, considered as the baroque pearl of Hungary. Additionally, we have to mention the Minaret (with its 40 metres and 93 stairs to the top) as being the oldest Turkish European monument in Eastern Europe). Also you will have a wine testing experience at one of the famous wine-cellars of Eger which include a cellar visit, as well as, a review of winemaking technology and procedures.



#### Day 1 | ORIGIN - BUDAPEST

Upon arrival to Budapest Airport you will be welcomed by our driver and then transfer to your hotel. Check-in and rest of the day free to explore the capital of Hungary. *Overnight in Budapest*.

#### Day 2 | BUDAPEST (City tour & Culinary walk Experience)

Buffet Breakfast. In the morning enjoy a Half Day City Tour (3 hours approx). Budapest, whose name is the composition of the city names of "Buda" and "Pest", may be known for its thermal baths but there are also plenty of other attractions. You will disover the elegant Heroes Square, the imposing State Opera House, the neo-Gothic Parliament, the biggest building in Hungary containing amongst other things the Hungarian Crown Jewels, the former Royal Palace one of the symbols of Hungary and the Citadel. During this Grand City Tour we will take you for an additional walk in the Castle District to enjoy its unique medieval atmosphere and get carried away in history. The tour ends at Hotel Inter Continental. In the afternoon you will join a **private culinary** walk (4 hours approx.) with English-speaking local guide exploring the Hungarian tastes in the Central Market, short walk in the ruin pub's area, visiting the main "treasure boxes" of the old Jewish District, and we finish our exciting tour at the famous Gerbeaud **Coffee house** where you will have the opportunity to have a coffee and taste the famous Hungarian cakes. Overnight in Budapest.





## **Budapest & Surroundings Experience**

7 Days / 6 Nights

#### Day 3 | BUDAPEST (Spa & thermal bath Experience)

Buffet Breakfast. Today you will have the opportunity to experience the famous Budapest Spas. Hungary is a land of thermal springs, and Budapest remains the only capital city in the world that is rich in thermal waters with healing qualities. Budapest is also one of the few places where you can experience traditional Turkish baths dating back to 16th and 17th centuries. Check in at Gellért or Széchenyi thermal Baths and enjoy a full day unique spa experience (Entrance ticket is included). The Gellért Baths (1918) have a well-preserved Art Nouveau interior including colourful mosaics, marble columns, stained glass windows and statues. The Széchenyi Baths complex (1913) are one of the largest bathing complexes in all Europe with 15 indoor pools, 3 outdoor pools and 10 saunas and steam chambers. There is an atmosphere of grandeur about the whole place with the largest pools resembling Roman baths and the smaller bath tubs reminding one of the bathing culture of the Greeks. Overnight in Budapest.



Day 4 | BUDAPEST (Invisible Exhibition & Folcklore evening tour)

Buffet Breakfast. Imagine that all the lights go out. The Invisible Exhibition is a unique interactive journey to an invisible world, where in pitch dark you find your way only by touch, sounds and scent. Give us your blind trust! If you join us, you will also be able to understand what life is like without one of the senses that provides us with the most information, to live without your sight. At this exhibition you will be lead by blind or partially sighted people on a journey that will change perception and possibility even in your mind (entrance ticke is included). Afternoon free for individual discoveries. Folcklor evening tour You will be able to see beatifull panoramic views of illuminated Budapest by night (from the Citadel) and have a delicious meal (3 course menu & wine) and also enjoy a great folklore show with new rhythms and new flavors. Transfer back to hotel. Overnight in Budapest.

## Day 5 | BUDAPEST (Cruise on the Danube river & Option: Opera)

**Buffet Breakfast.** Enjoy an exciting one hour **boat cruise on river Danube** (one drink and audio guide are included). You will be able to float through Budapest, a chance to lay back and relax on a wavy, breezy cruise on the romantic river. Let the Danube gently rock you into the heart of the city, the lovely Margaret Island. **Option:** Ticket for an Opera or ballet performance at the world famous National Opera House of Budapest, one of the most beautiful Neo-Renaissance buildings in Europe. **Overnight in Budapest.** 



Day 6 | BUDAPEST (Full day excursión to Eger & Wine tasting)

Buffet Breakfast. Today you will enjoy a Full day excursion to Eger (approx. 8 hours with an English speaking driver-guide). The city of Eger is rich in monuments and natural attractions. Eger is the County Seat of Heves, the most outstanding touristic center of Hungarian Eastern region. The city remains as as historic key, primarily because the town was the scene of the honorable battle with the Turks in 1552, symbolizing national heroism and patriotism. Also it is considered as the baroque pearl of Hungary. Among all, the primary sight in the city is the middle age castle where the Turks were defeated. Additionally, we have to mention the Minaret (40 m / 93 stairs) being the oldest Turkish European monument located in the East). At the heart of the historic city, on Dobó square, one of the most stunning baroque church of Central Europe, the Padau Saint Antal church is located. The nicest ornament of Eszterházy square is the classicist archbishop cathedral, the second biggest church in the country. During your visit you will also have the opportunity to enjoy a winetasting in one of the famous wine-cellar which include a cellar visit, a review of winemaking technology and procedures as well as different tasting flights especially designed for the visitors attending. Transfer back to your hotel. Overnight in Budapest.



Day 7 | BUDAPEST - ORIGIN

**Buffet Breakfast** Check out at the hotel. Private transfer to Budapest airport for your return flight and *end of our services*.





Budapest - Hollókö - Gödölló - Debrecen - Pannonhalma - Gyór

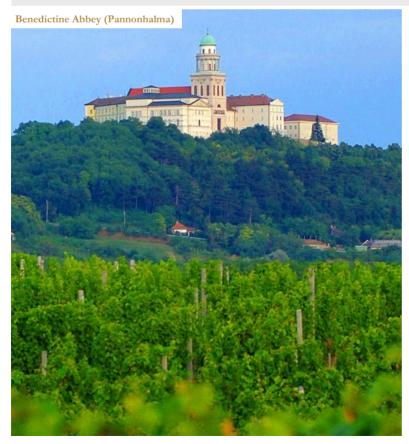
8 Days /7 Nights

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- Grand City tour of Budapest on regular basis (duration 3 hrs).
- Full day private excursion to Hollókő and Gödöllő.

#### Introducing the tour

With this fantastic tour you will be able to visit Palaces, Castles & National Parks of the Hungarian wolrd heritage. Starting in Budapest, the only European capital with over than one hundred thermal springs and 12 Public baths, you will enjoy a full day private excursion to Hollókő and Gödöllő. Then you will visit the famous Hortobagy National Park, rich with folklore and cultural history being the largest continuous natural grassland in Europe. Then you will overnight at Debrecen, the secound city in Hungary. In Pannonhalma, you will visit an 1.100 year old Benedictine Abbey, a UNESCO World Heritage. The buildings of the monastery preserve different styles, and yet still give the impression of an harmonious unity. You will also go to the wonderful city of Gyor and Fertőd where you can visit the Baroque Palace of Esterhazy, called the "Hungarian Versailles".y's grandest Rococo edifice.



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## Budapest - Hollókö - Gödölló - Debrecen - Pannonhalma - Gyór

8 Days / 7 Nights

#### Day 3 | BUDAPEST - HOLLÓKÖ - GÖDÖLLÖ - BUDAPEST

Buffet Breakfast. Today you will enjoy a full day excursion to Hollókő, the only village in Hungary on the list of UNESCO World Heritage. The little village built in 17th and 18th century is an amazing example of traditional architecture preserved in its original state. Hollókő is an open air museum and still a living settlement!. You will enjoy the traditional houses and the different museums: Village Museum, Doll Museum, Post Office Museum & Weaving House. You can also taste the traditional Hungarian-Palóc cuisine at one of the local restaurants followed by a short climbing tour to the fortress. After lunch (not included) transfer to Gödöllő and head to Grassalkovich castle, the largest baroque palace in Hungary and the second biggest surfaced palace after Versailles. The building served as a summer residence for Emperor Francis Joseph and Queen Elisabeth (Sissi) between 1867-1916. The Palace is in the centre of the property in Gödöllö with its Grand Hall resplendent in white and gold, richly painted rooms, red marble bath and conservatory, riding school, baroque theatre and large park is a representation of the nobility's lifestyle. Overnight in Budapest.



#### Day 4 | BUDAPEST - HORTOBÁGY N.P - DEBRECEN

Buffet Breakfast. Transfer to Hortobagy National Park, the Puszta, rich with folklore and cultural history. Hortobágy is the largest continuous natural grassland in Europe, which means that it was not formed as a result of deforestation or river control. The first Hungarian national park established in 1973 is the country's largest protected area (82 thousand hectares). A significant part of it is Biosphere Reserve, and a quarter of its area enjoys international protection under the Ramsar Convention on the conservation of wetlands. Hortobágy has outstanding landscape features and is a unique example of the harmonic coexistence of people and nature based on the considerate use of the land, maintaining great biological variety in respect of species and habitats. Transfer from Hortobágy to your hotel. *Overnight in Debrecen*.

#### Day 5 | DEBRECEN - BUDAPEST

**Buffet Breakfast.** Visit **Debrecen**, the second largest city in Hungary. A Protestant and Reformation city with the nickname "Calvinist Rome", it is described as the Civis or "citizen" city. Visit the **Nagytemplom**, the largest Protestant church in Hungary and the reformed College, a beautiful Classical building. The **Déri Múzeum** (Far East, Antiquity, Archaeology and Ethnography collections) has exhibits relating to daily life in Debrecen. *Overnight in Budapest*.



#### Day 6 | BUDAPEST - PANNONHALMA - GYOR

**Buffet Breakfast** Excursion to **Pannonhalma**, an 1.100 year old Benedictine Abbey, UNESCO World Heritage. The buildings of the monastery preserve different styles, and yet still give the impression of an harmonious unity. Though the monastery is open to the public, there are places where only the members of the monastic community are allowed to enter. Here everything seeks to serve the purpose of the centuries-old Benedictine way of life. Continue to your hotel. *Overnight in Gyor*.

#### Day 7 | GYÓR - FERTOD - ESTERHAZY PALACE - BUDAPEST

Buffet Breakfast Transfer to Fertőd where you can visit the Baroque Palace of Esterhazy, built by Prince Nikolaus Esterházy. Sometimes called the "Hungarian Versailles", it is Hungary's grandest Rococo edifice. From 1766 to 1790, the estate was the home of the celebrated composer Joseph Haydn. The palace has 126 rooms. Of particular note is the Banquet Room which has on its ceiling a painting of Apollo in his Chariot. The large library holds almost 22,000 volumes. The largest room is the grotto-like Sala Terrana which was inspired by the then fashionable Italianate style. Optional: Boat trip on Fertőd Lake. Continue to your hotel in Budapest. Overnight in Budapest.



## Day 8 | BUDAPEST - ORIGIN

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- Private excursions to: Pécs (2 days) and Győr (2 days) with English-speaking driver- guide.

#### Introducing the tour

With this tour you will be able to visit Abbeys, Palaces, Mosques & Ancient wonders of the Hungarian wolrd heritage. Starting in Budapest, you will enjoy a full day private visit to Hollókő, the only village in Hungary on the list of UNESCO and Gödöllő. In Pécs, city of Turkish Monuments, you can visit the largest Early Christian burial chamber (Mausoleum) found outside Italy and the Barbican (the castle of Pécs), which goes back to the 10th century. Then you will head towards the south shore of Balaton lake and you will take the ferry to Tihany Peninsula, crossing the "Hungarian Sea" and Tihany village with its Benedictine Abbey. Again from Budapest you will visit in Pannonhalma, an 1.100 year world Heritage old Benedictine Abbey and the wonderful city of Gyor. At the end you will discover in Fertőd, the Baroque Palace of Esterhazy, called the "Hungarian Versailles", Hungary's grandest Rococo edifice.



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#### Day 4 | BUDAPEST - PÉCS (Town of Turkish Monuments)

**Buffet Breakfast.** Departure to **Pécs.** Blessed with a mild climate and a number of fine museums and monuments, Pécs is one of the most pleasant and interesting cities in Hungary also famous for its universities, lively nightlife and Mediterranean ambiance. Surrounded by large-



ly baroque buildings, its **main square** is the hub of the city where on summer days everyone gathers to relax. The city is famous for its Turkish monuments such as **Gazi Kasim Mosque** and for the **Necropolis of Sopianae**, a World Heritage Site, which dates back to the fourth century. This is the largest **Early Christian burial chamber** (Mausoleum) found outside Italy. Also visit the the **Barbican** (the castle of Pécs), which goes back to the 10th century, the **Cathedral** and the **Bishop's Palace**. **Király Street** is the city's most beautiful pedestrian precinct. **Overnight in Pécs.** 

#### Day 5 | PÉCS - Szántód - TIHANY (LAKE BALATON) - BUDAPEST

Buffet Breakfast. Departure towards Balaton Lake. Arrival to Szántód (south shore) where you will take the ferry (Included) to Tihany Peninsula, crossing the "Hungarian Sea" (Balaton). The Tihany peninsula abounds in natural treasures and rare treasures. The area belongs to the Balaton Uplands National Park. Besides Lake Balaton two additional lakes the Inner (Belső-tó) and Outer Lakes (Külső-tó) add to the uniqness of Tihany. The Inner Lake lies right at the foot of Tihany. Arrival to the fabulous village of Tihany where you can visit it Benedictine Abbey of Tihany, established in 1055 by King Andrew I of Hungary. Beautiful frescos adorn the interior of the abbey built in the first half of the 18th century. From this point you will enjoy fabulous views of the Balaton Lake. Transfer to your hotel. Overnight in Budapest.



#### Day 6 | BUDAPEST - PANNONHALMA - GYOR

**Buffet Breakfast** Excursion to **Pannonhalma**, an 1.100 year old Benedictine Abbey, UNESCO World Heritage. The buildings of the monastery preserve different styles, and yet still give the impression of an harmonious unity. Though the monastery is open to the public, there are places where only the members of the monastic community are allowed to enter. Here everything seeks to serve the purpose of the centuries-old Benedictine way of life. Continue to your hotel. *Overnight in Gyor*.

#### Day 7 | GYÓR - FERTOD - ESTERHAZY PALACE - BUDAPEST

Buffet Breakfast Transfer to Fertőd where you can visit the Baroque Palace of Esterhazy, built by Prince Nikolaus Esterházy. Sometimes called the "Hungarian Versailles", it is Hungary's grandest Rococo edifice. From 1766 to 1790, the estate was the home of the celebrated composer Joseph Haydn. The palace has 126 rooms. Of particular note is the Banquet Room which has on its ceiling a painting of Apollo in his Chariot. The large library holds almost 22,000 volumes. The largest room is the grotto-like Sala Terrana which was inspired by the then fashionable Italianate style. Optional: Boat trip on Fertőd Lake. Continue to your hotel in Budapest. Overnight in Budapest.



#### Day 8 | BUDAPEST - ORIGIN

**Buffet Breakfast** Check out at the hotel. Private transfer to Budapest airport for your return flight and *end of our services*.





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# Facts about Czech Republic:

Country Size: 78,867 square kilometers. Population: 10,5 millions. Density: 133 inhabitants per square kilometer. Highest Point: Śnieżka is the highest peak: 1,602 metres. Regions: The Czech Republic is made up of 14 regions. Time zone: GMT +1. Currency: Czech Koruna. Language: Czech, English (in cities and younger people) and German. Religion: 59% of the population is Atheist/Agnosthic and 27% Roman Catholic. Measures: The metric system: weight in grams and kilograms, distance in meters and kilometers and temperatures in Celsius. Electricity: 220volts/50Hz.

# Facts about Hungary:

Country Size: 93,030 square kilometers. Population: 9,908,798 millions. Density: 107,2 inhabitants per square kilometer. Highest Point: 183 metres. Regions: Hungary is made up of 7 regions. Religion: 37% Roman Catholics; 11% Calvinists; 2,2 lutheran. Language: Hungarian (is the most widely spoken non-Indo-European language in Europe). In Hungary most of people speak English, French and Spanish. Time zone: GMT +1. Currency: Forint (HUF). Measures: The metric system: weight in grams and kilograms, distance in meters and kilometers & temperatures in Celsius. Electricity: 220volts/50 Hz.







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