



Villages of Bucovina and Maramures

9 Days / 8 Nights

Immersed in the Romanian counties you will discover a rural world which disappeared long ago in western countries. You will be permanently in contact with the rich peasant culture and the protected nature. You will visit two regions, Bucovina and Maramures. In these two regions, so close but so different, the inhabitants will help you to discover the village life and their crafts and to understand the mysteries of the painted monasteries and wooden churches which are now part of the UNESCO Heritage. All this, and many other discoveries, waits for you during this journey.

Bucovina will seduce you with its famous painted monasteries, with its rich culture (hailing from almost all the ethnic groups of Central Europe), with the crafts, with the field works in its hilly landscape and other wonders.

In Maramures, the wood work, result of a secular tradition, will fascinate you. This know-how transmitted from father to son is perfectly mastered by the craftsmen.

A soft and peaceful landscape will surround you during this unforgettable journey.

YOUR PROGRAM

Day 1 - Reception in Bucharest

Arrival in Bucharest. Meeting the guide in the evening at the train station 1hr before the train departure. Night train for Bucovina at 9:30 PM (sleeping wagon 2 or 4 beds / cabin, upon availabilities, we can know it only 3 weeks before the departure. Train timetable may change).



Day 3 - Bucolic hike

In the morning we'll take the steam train. The steam train track leads along the River Moldovita. We will get off before the terminus of the track, at the best starting point of our hike. This immersion in a peasant world will enchant you; the beautiful landscape punctuated with sheep herds and horse-carts reveals a great harmony. Night at the same place (~5 hours, 14 km, +500m, -550). (BLD)



Day 6 - Traditional way of life

Day 7 - Hike in mountains

Day 8 - Happy Cemetery and Cluj-Napoca



Day 9 - End of journey

Breakfast. End of the trip.

We can assist you with train transfer or flight ticket to Bucharest. Also, we designed a special extra-tour for the way back to



Bucharest including:

-1st day: train transfer to Sighisoara, visit of the beautiful fortified citadel and overnight Sighisoara.

-2nd day: train transfer to Brasov, visit of the medieval center and overnight Brasov.

-3rd day: train transfer to Bucharest. Check the extra-options below.

We can desing any other tailored tour.

Additional information

TARIFFS

745 euros per person.

Single supplement : 90 euros per person.

Private transfer airport / train station (for 3 people) : 25 euros per person.

Extra-tour Cluj - Sighisoara - Brasov - Bucuresti 4 days / 3 nights : 155 euros per person.

Train ticket 22:09 Cluj – 08:10 Bucharest, 1st class, 2 berths / cabin. Per person : 55 euros per person.

Train ticket 22:09 Cluj – 08:10 Bucharest, 2nd class, 4 berths / cabin. Per person : 35 euros per person.

Extra-night In Cluj-Napoca, Hotel 3* in the centre of the town : 58 euros per person.

INCLUDED

Nights (1st night in the train)

Meals: 8 breakfasts, 6 picnics, 7 dinners. Dinner is 3 course menu – entrée/soup, main dish and a dessert

Transfers

Luggage transfer

Steam train ticket

NOT INCLUDED

Transfer to the meeting point (North train station in Bucharest)

The entrance fees into museums, monasteries

The insurance

Meals as indicated (dinner Day 1, lunch & dinner Day 8)

Drinks, personal spending & snacks

LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

9 days. 6 days of walking: easy to medium (accessible to every person who walks regularly in the year), on paths and forest roads. Some walks could change depending on the group level or the weather conditions or be interrupted by small transfers.

CARRYING

The transfers of your luggage is ensured. You only have to carry your things needed for the day (picnic, camera...)



ACCOMMODATION

Rural pensions in double occupancy, exceptionally triple with private & shared facilities (1 for 2 rooms).
Depending on the size of the group, the accommodation can be done in several pensions. Meals will be taken together.

SIZE OF GROUP

6 to 14 people. Smaller groups with supplement, contact us for details.

DEPARTURE

Bucharest train station. Optional transfer from the airport.

DISPERSION

At your hotel in Cluj. Optional transfer to the airport.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Depending on the majority of the people booking this trip, guide could be French and English speaking.