

Black Sea Coast

A picturesque small country called Bulgaria has existed for more than 13 centuries in Europe, linking East and West. Bulgaria remembers ancient civilisations and great people that wrote its turbulent history. Situated in south-eastern Europe, Bulgaria occupies the north-eastern part of the Balkan Peninsula. Religion, History and Black Sea beaches are waiting for you ...

Day 1 Canada Departure • Depart from your gateway city (Toronto, Vancouver, Calgary or Montreal) on Air France or Lufthansa to Sofia via Paris or Munich.

Day 2 Sofia • After a connection flight in Europe, arrival at Sofia airport and transfer to the hotel located in the city center. Accommodation: The Kimpinski Sofia for the next 2 nights. (L/D)

Day 3 Sofia • Panoramic tour of the capital of Bulgaria – Sofia, including a visit to the “Alexander Nevski” cathedral and St. Sofia’s church. Lunch in the city. Visit to the Boyana church, located at the foot of Mount Vitoshka, one of the few complete and perfectly preserved mediaeval monuments testifying to the significant contribution of the Bulgarian monumental painting to European culture in the Middle Age. The rest of the Day is at leisure. (B/L/D)

Day 4 Sofia • Bansko (170) km • After breakfast, we drive to Bansko with a stop for the Rila Monastery visit– the most important monastery complex in Bulgaria which architectural and artistic magnificence makes it part of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage list of UNESCO. Lunch in a charming restaurant near the monastery. Continue on to Bansko, a picturesque town huddled at the foothills of Mount Pirin, one of the biggest winter resorts in Bulgaria. A sightseeing tour of Bansko is scheduled upon arrival followed by a Folk dinner for the group. Accommodation: The Kimpinski or Lucky Aparthotel 4* Bansko. (B/L/D)

Day 5 Bansko • Plovdiv (170 km) • After breakfast, depart for Plovdiv, the second largest Bulgarian city. Stop for lunch followed by a sightseeing tour of Plovdiv: the Old town, the Roman theatre and the Ethnographic Museum. The rest of the Day is at leisure. Accommodation: Hotel 4* Dedeman Trimonsium Plovdiv. (B/L/D)

Day 6 Plovdiv • Nessebar • Pomorie (295) • After breakfast we drive to the Bulgarian Black sea coast. Stop for lunch followed by a walking tour of Old Nessebar, declared an Architectural, Historical and Archaeological reserve and entered in the List of World Culture and Nature Heritage of UNESCO. Continue the beach resort of Pomorie, for a wine tasting activity. Accommodation: Sunset Beach Resort 5* in apartment for the next 7 nights including daily breakfast and dinner. (B/L/D)

Days 7 to 12 Beach Stay at the Black Sea Coast • Enjoy a few days at leisure at the Sunset Beach Resort including 2 meals daily. During your stay, many optional excursions (\$) will be possible and available. (B/D)

Day 13 Pomorie • Varna (150 km) • After a transfer to Varna, the guide will meet you for the visit of the city including the main streets and the Archeological museum. Accommodation: 4* Riviera Club. (B/L/D).

Day 14 Varna • Veliko Tarnovo • Triavna 230 km • Today we continue the tour on to Veliko Tarnovo, the capital of Bulgaria during the years 1187-1393. Before getting there, we will stop for lunch and visit the village – museum of Arbanassy with the unique architecture of its houses, ancient streets, old water fountains, murals and icons. In Veliko Tarnovo, the capital of Bulgaria during the years 1187-1393, we will visit the Medieval fortress of Tsarevets. We will then continue on to Triavna, a beautiful artistic village where you will visit the wood sculpture museum. Accommodation: Kalina Palace Triavna 4*. (B/L/D).

Day 15 Triavna • Etara • Sofia 330 km • After breakfast, we depart for “Etara”, an open-air museum, where workshops of the Bulgarian handicrafts from the 18th and 19th century could be seen. Lunch. In the afternoon, visit the memorial church of Shipka, erected in honor of the Russian soldiers and Bulgarian volunteers who died in the Russo - Turkish War (1877 - 1878). Continue on to Sofia through Balkan Mountain and the rose valley. Accommodation: Best Western Expo 4*. (B/L/D).

Day 16 Sofia • Canada • This morning we have an early transfer to the airport for your return flight back home. (B)



Sunset Resort 5*

- Our classification: Superior
- Region: Pomorie
- One bedroom Apartment
- Half board

LOCATION Sunset Resort is located right on a 400 m long beautiful and quite natural sandy beach in the new quarter of Pomorie. It is close to the main motorway going from Bourgas to Varna (2hours away), which connects the hotel compound with the city of Bourgas, the antique Nessebar, as well as with the largest and most popular holiday destination on the Black Sea Coast, Sunny Beach. The luxury five-star Sunset Resort comprises 5 apart hotels and 6 deluxe waterfront villas. The four outdoor swimming pools offer various water attractions and include two pool bars.

ACCOMODATION The 5* complex offers one or two bedroom apartments with satellite TV, direct phone, balcony, air conditioning, air-dryer, kitchenette, safety box (\$).

SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES Buffet restaurants, “À la carte” restaurants, one large thalasso-therapy centre, a gym, massages services.





Alexander Nevski Cathedral



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The Package Includes

Transportation • Return air transportation to Sofia from Toronto with Air France • [Specific limited classes of service required] • Modern and exclusive vehicle transportation with air conditioning from Day 3 to Day 6 and from Day 14 to Day 15 • Arrival and return transfers in Sofia • **Guides** • 7-Day/6-night local guides • **Visits and excursions** • Visits as per itinerary • **Accommodations and meals** • 6 night tour 4*hotels and 8 night beach stay 5*hotels (Sunset Resort Pomorie apartment) • Meals: 14 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 14 dinners • **Services** • Hotel taxes and service charges • **Not included** • Airport security taxes and service charges with Air France for Toronto departures \$500 • Gratuities to hotel personnel, guides and drivers: approx \$70 to 80\$ Optional excursions • All other item not mentioned in this present itinerary • **NOTES** • Hotels in present itinerary are subject to change without notice. The distance in kilometres is approximate and changes can be made during the tour.

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September 22	2274	2299	2349
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One week thalassotherapy package	225	225	225

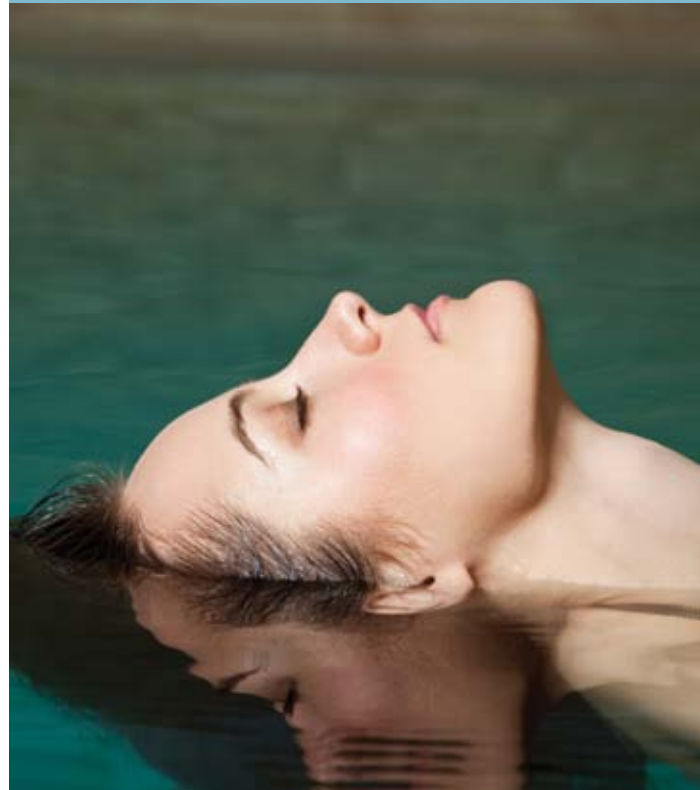
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Typical Balkan houses on a hill in Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria



ADD 2 NIGHTS IN PARIS FROM \$179
 per person including 3*hotel Cambronne and breakfast.
 Transfers in supplement (\$). See details P. 49