

Best Period: May to October

UNESCO World Heritage List objects in Bulgaria

9 days / 8 nights

Visit the 7 UNESCO heritage sites in Bulgaria:

**Boyana Church – Thracian Tomb of Kazanlak - Rock Hewn Churches of Ivanovo –
Thracian Tomb of Sveshtari - Madara Horseman - Town of Nesebar - Rila Monastery**

**Package price at USD 1192 per person in DBL shared room
for a group of minimum 6pax**

Balkan Peninsula (ancient Greece and nowadays Bulgarian lands) is the cradle of the European civilization. Thracians, ancient Greeks, Romans, Bulgarians inhabited this lands long ago. Lot of remains – archaeological, architectural and others one can found in Bulgaria these days. In the UNESCO world heritage list Bulgaria is listed with 9 objects – 2 of them are natural and 7 are historical. This tour will reveal parts of the history of these lands and you can explore some unique examples of ancient history. Tombs, churches, monasteries, frescoes are evidences for the bustling live and talented people who live here.

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The package price includes:

- All transfers as per the itinerary by 1st class A/C coach(minibus);
- Professional guide throughout the itinerary /English, French, German, Italian/;
- 8 nights in 3* and 4* hotels;
- 8 breakfasts;
- 6 dinners in hotels and local restaurants;
- 1 dinner in a traditional restaurant with live folklore show;
- 1 lunch in the area of Rila Monastery;
- Visit 7 UNESCO Heritage List sites ([Boyana Church, Thracian tomb in Kazanlak, Rock Hewn Churches of Ivanovo, Thracian tomb in Sveshtari, Madara horseman, Town of Nessebar, Rila Monastery](#));
- 4 sightseeing tours - Sofia, Kazanlak, Plovdiv and Nessebar;
- Entrance fees as per program;
- All taxes and VAT.

The price does not include:

- Air tickets to/from Sofia;
- Food and beverages not mentioned in the program;
- Personal expenses, tips for the driver and the guide.

Preliminary Program:

Day 1: Sofia – Arrival



Meet upon arrival at the Sofia Airport. Transfer to the hotel and accommodation. Sofia has 7000-year-old history. Walking **sightseeing tour of Sofia**, including National Assembly Square, Sofia University, St. Alexander Nevski Cathedral, St. Sophia Church, the Monument of the Unknown Soldier, Russian Church of St. Nicholas, the Former Royal Palace (now Ethnographic Museum and National Art Gallery), National Theater, St. George Rotunda Church, the Presidency, ruins of the Roman city of Serdica, Banya Bashi Mosque, and the Synagogue. Dinner. Overnight.

Day 2: Sofia – National History Museum – Boyana Church

After breakfast the guests will be transferred to National Historical museum and to **Boyana Church** (UNESCO world heritage list). Boyana Church contains important collections of medieval paintings dating back to the year 1259. The National Museum of History in Sofia is the nation's largest museum, with more than 650



000 items dating from prehistoric times to modern history, including a splendid and rich collection of Thracian gold. Return to the hotel. Dinner. Overnight.

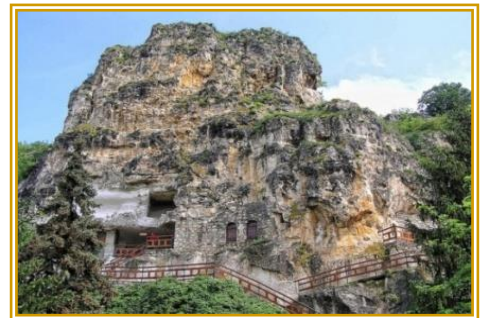
Day 3: Sofia – Kazanlak



After breakfast is the departure to Kazanlak. Today you will explore the Valley of the Thracians kings. The guests will be accommodated in the hotel. Visit of the replica of the **Thracian tomb of Kazanlak** (UNESCO world heritage list); the regional history museum (with a collection of golden treasures), the city gallery, the Thracian tomb "Goliama Kosmatka", Shipka Memorial Church. Dinner. Overnight.

Day 4: Kazanlak – Ruse

After breakfast the guests will continue to the **Rock Hewn Churches of Ivanovo** (UNESCO world heritage list), located near the city of Ruse. En route the guests will visit of the open-air ethnographic museum "Etara". Continue to the Rock Hewn Churches of Ivanovo - a complex of churches, chapels, monasteries and cells developed at the vicinity of the village of Ivanovo in the 12th century. Accommodation in the hotel in Ruse. Dinner. Overnight.



Day 5: Ruse – Sveshtari – Madara – Varna



Early breakfast and the guests will be transferred to the next point of the journey – **Thracian tomb of Sveshtari** (UNESCO world heritage list). Continue to **Madara Horseman** (UNESCO world heritage list), carved into a rock at the height of 25 meters above the ground. Departure to Varna. Dinner. Overnight in a hotel in Varna or in the resort Golden sands.

Day 6: Varna – Nesebar

After breakfast the guests will be transferred to **Nesebar** (UNESCO world heritage list). Accommodation in the hotel. Sightseeing tour of Nesebar. It is founded about 3000 years ago and is a splendid example of Byzantine religious architecture. Dinner. Overnight.



Day 7: Nesebar– Plovdiv

After breakfast departure to Plovdiv - the second largest Bulgarian city. The city has more than 200 archaeological sites, 30 of which are of national importance. **Sightseeing walking tour and visit of the Old town of Plovdiv**, the Roman amphitheater (Ancient theater), the Ethnographic museum and other historical and archaeological sites. Hotel accommodation. Time for refreshing and dinner. Overnight.

Day 8: Plovdiv – Rila Monastery – Sofia



Breakfast. Departure to **Rila Monastery** (UNESCO world heritage list)—that is largest Eastern Orthodox monastery in Bulgaria. The guests will visit of the monastery complex. Lunch in a local restaurant. Continue to Sofia. Accommodation in the hotel. Dinner in a traditional restaurant with live folklore show. Overnight.

Day 9: Sofia – Departure

Breakfast. Free time and transfer to the airport according to your flight details.

Terms and Conditions:

- The prices are based on current costs and conditions available at the time of offering, all rates and availability have to be reconfirmed in the time of definitive reservations.
- All requests and enquiries should be made in written by e-mail. MIEL will reply to all within 48h., except during weekends and other public holidays. If the immediate confirmation is not possible the buyer will be informed of the status.
- Arrival & Departure detail timing and flight details should be sent by e-mail or fax directly to MIEL in order all the necessary transfers to be fully provided.