



**Traditional Rose Festival in Bulgaria**  
The most significant spring event in Bulgaria

**@ Package price of USD 638**  
**02-07.06.2016**  
**5 nights / 6 days**

Certainly, you have heard about the Bulgarian Rose, because our country is famous with the rose oil production providing 85% of the world's rose oil, mainly used for perfume essences but for other purposes as well. You are welcome to join our Festival of the Rose and be part of the process of rose picking which take place yearly end of May, beginning of June.

The Valley of Roses is situated in the Thracian Valley also called Valley of Thracian Kings. This is the place where more than 1500 tombs of Thracians aristocrats were found and where you can feel the ancient civilization dating from 4-th century B.C.

**The package includes the following services:**

- Arrival & Departure assistance at Sofia international airport
- Professional Guide throughout the itinerary /English, French, German, Italian/;
- All transfers as per the itinerary by A/C coach;
- 5 nights in double shared room in 4\* or 5\* hotels;
- 5 breakfasts;
- Participation at the Festivities including Rose picking and local celebrations
- Visit of a local Rose distillery;
- 4 sightseeing city tours – Sofia, Stara Zagora, Kazanlak (UNESCO), Plovdiv;
- All entrance fees;
- Local taxes and VAT.

**Price is valid for minimum 10 participants!**

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## Additional services:

- SGL supplement @ € 140 pp for the whole period;
- Lunches and Dinners;
- Wine tasting @ € 15 pp. in a regional winery in Thracian Valley
- Air tickets to/from Sofia airport – on request!
- Personal expenses, tips for driver and guide – as per client decision!

### Day 1

02.06.2016, Thursday

**Arrival** at Sofia Airport and transfer to hotel accommodation. Free time for relax and overnight.

*Option: Welcome dinner*



### Day 2

03.06.2016, Friday

After breakfast transfer to a small revival town of **Koprivshitsa** and experience first touch with Bulgarian traditional architecture from Revival period. Submerge into the narrow cobble stoned streets and enjoy the colorful painted old houses. Continue to **Kazanlak** – the Rose capital of Bulgaria and the center of Valley of Thracian Kings with several tombs dating 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> century BC, including a **UNESCO** listed one that we are going to visit. Hotel accommodation and overnight in the the city of Stara Zagora.

*Options: Lunch / Dinner in local restaurants with homemade Bulgarian cuisine.*



### Day 3

04.06.2016, Saturday

After breakfast the guests will be transferred to the city of Kazanlak. Here the guests will take part in the ritual “**rose picking**” and will be on the square to enjoy the carnival procession. Visit a local **Rose distillery** and enjoy city tour of **Stara Zagora** (a city with 8000 years of history). Overnight.

*Options: Lunch / Dinner.*

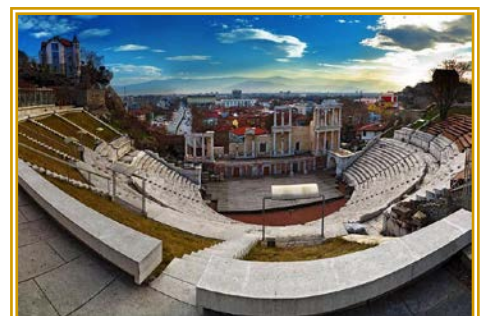


### Day 4

05.06.2016, Sunday

After breakfast transfer to the ancient city of **Plovdiv** – **European Capital of Culture 2019**. There are many remains preserved from Antiquity, which guests will see during the old city tour. The region is known for the wine production of a unique Bulgarian grape variety Mavrud. Accommodation and overnight.

*Options: Wine tasting / Lunch / Dinner.*



## Day 5

06.06.2016, Monday

After breakfast transfer back to **Sofia**. Hotel accommodation. Sightseeing tour of Sofia. The guests will visit main highlights of the central part of the city. The Bulgarian capital dates even before the 7th century BC, when Thracians established their city around a mineral spring, which exists to the present day. Overnight.

### *Options:*

- visit of National History Museum (Golden Thracian Treasures) and Boyana church (UNESCO)/
- Lunch in local restaurant/
- Farwell dinner in traditional Bulgarian restaurant with live folklore show and Dances on hot charcoals.



## Day 6

07.06.2016, Tuesday

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for **departure**.