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# TREASURES OF EASTERN EUROPE or 11 days Croatic Bosnia and Herzegovina Slovenia Extension to Hungary

Previously hidden behind the Iron Curtain, Eastern Europe is a gem that you're bound to recognize from some of your favorite movies and TV shows. In fact, the entire region is bursting with photogenic natural wonders and varied histories of independence and togetherness you can't help but feel. Relax alongside pristine blue lakes, then enjoy countrysides teeming with towering castles, impressive cave systems, and towns filled with terracotta Adriatic charm.

#### YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director

Sightseeing: 3 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (4 with extension); 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director; 2 walking tours



Entrances: Mostar Ottoman Mosque; Diocletian Palace; Plitvice Lakes National Park; Postojna Cave; funicular to Ljubljana Castle; Bled Castle; Bohinj Valley hike; with extension: Tihany Abbey; Memento Park; Matthias Church; Budapest Baths; Danube evening cruise



Personalized learning guide: Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.



All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (9 with extension); European breakfast and dinner daily





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As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

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- MELISSA, TRAVELER





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Very tour Director and expert local guides





#### Day 1: Fly overnight to Hungary

#### Day 2: Dubrovnik

 Meet your Tour director at the airport, and get ready to explore Dubrovnik—one of the most prominent tourist destinations in the Mediterranean Sea.

#### Day 3: Dubrovnik

- Explore Dubrovnik, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The old medieval fortress of Dubrovnik has most recently become famous as the real world location used for King's Landing in *Game of Thrones*.
- Take a walking tour of the ancient city walls.
- Enjoy a panoramic view of Dubrovnik with a cable car ride.

#### Day 4: Dubrovnik | Mostar

- Travel to Split via Mostar, the cultural capital of Bosnia and Herzegovina, to learn about the Ottoman influence of the area.
- Visit the Mostar Ottoman Mosque.
- Take a tour of Mostar with an expert local guide.
- Continue on to Split, a storied metropolis that's bursting with life. The city is known for its Roman palaces and rebellious past.

#### Day 5: Split

- Take an expertly guided tour of Split.
- Visit the Diocletian Palace.
- Enjoy free time to explore Split.

#### Day 6: Split | Plitvice Lakes area

- Transfer to the Plitvice Lakes area where sparkling lakes tumble into each other through a series of picturesque waterfalls.
- Visit the Plitvice Lakes National Park and hike along paths for views that continue to stun, one after another.

#### Day 7: Plitvice Lakes area | Ljubljana

- Transfer to Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia, where 2,000 years of Slavic history combine with an emerging youth culture in one of Europe's greenest cities.
- Visit Postojna Cave en route to Ljubljana.

#### Day 8: Ljubljana

- Take an expertly guided tour of Ljubljana.
  With your expert local guide you will see: Square of the Republic; Roman Ruins; Metelkova City.
- Enjoy a funicular ride past Ljubljana Castle's walls for an incredible view of the area, then visit the castle museum.
- Visit Bled Castle and Lake by hiking through the forest that shields the castle, then entering the fortified walls for a stunning view of Lake Bled's cerulean waters.
- Enjoy a traditional Slovenian dinner and cultural performance.

#### Day 9: Depart for home

#### © 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

#### Day 9: Ljubljana | Tihany | Budapest

- Travel to the historic village of Tihany.
- Enjoy free time for lunch in Tihany.
- Visit the Tihany Abbey for a panoramic view of Lake Balaton.
- Enjoy a ferry ride across Lake Balaton.
- Arrive in Budapest, the capital city of Hungary that before 1873 was actually two cities: Buda and Pest. The history of Budapest is filled with stories of divisions and unifications: Budapest, Austrua-Hungary, and post-Cold War reunification. Explore Budapest's wealth of culture and beauty through Art Nouveau style architecture, romantic canal views, and bustling city streets.
- Visit Memento Park, an open-air museum dedicated to the Soviet-era statues of Hungary.

#### Day 10: Budapest

- Visit Matthias Church, a fully-restored 14th century Gothic church.
- Take a trip to the Budapest baths. The sprawling spa is the largest thermal bath of its kind in Europe, giving you room to relax in the indoor baths or venture to the outdoor swimming pool, where you can play chess with locals on oversized boards.
- Enjoy an evening river cruise on the Danube.

Day 11: Depart for home

This trip was amazing!! Not many people get to go to Eastern Europe, and it was such a great experience. We loved our tour guide and I really felt like I bonded with my classmates. Would recommend this trip to everyone!

#### - MARY, STUDENT



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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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